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Local.

Bank Bros. are doing a lot of work now.

Patronize those merchants who advertise.

Pres. Reynolds is a very busy man these days.

The article on "the goat" will not appear this week.

John B. Randall, of Calera, was in town this week.

Prof. Will Tyler, of Gurnee, was in the city Saturday.

Dr. R. C. Jones, of Dogwood, visited our town Saturday.

Circuit court will convene at Columbiana on the 20th inst.

Mr. Ed Davis, with his mother, moved to Aldrich Monday.

Editor Graham, of the Shelby Sentinel, was in town Tuesday.

Imogene coal for sale by C. C. Vandegrift, Montevallo, Ala.

Mr. R. T. Newton will open a bakery here about October 1st.

Two more new brick stores to be erected. How does that hit you?

Miss Mattie Roebuck, of Birmingham, is visiting Miss Nonie Wells.

Prof. Smithson, of the Brierfield Normal College, was in town Saturday.

A light rain fell here Monday afternoon—not enough, though, to sow turnips.

Mr. Casey Fancher caught a fox Monday morning, and brought it to town alive.

Ask Louis Bowden if bed-bugs ever get too poor to be recognized by their odor.

We hear some talk of a dummy line to run from here to Aldrich. Let us have it.

Our citizens can get fresh bread daily in the near future. We are to h[ave] a bakery.

[I] understand that a warehouse [is to] be built here soon. Good. We [need] one badly.

[When] you want a clean shave or [a] hair cut, call on Felix Dotson. [Artis]sorial artist.

R. L. Rice, of the Blocton Herald, was in town Monday, [and] ave us a pleasant call.

[Capt.] O. A. Pickard, stock claim [agent] of the Southern, was in town [Mon]day, and gave us a call.

[Messrs.] F. B. and Eb Arnold, Josh [and] Drayton Trucks, of Six [Runs] town yesterday.

[Mr.] Morgan, manager of the [Morgan] & Co. store at Blocton. [was] Monday on business.

F. W. Rogan, dealer in staple and fancy groceries, will speak to his friends through the columns of the NEWS next week.

Messrs. James Battle and John McKinney, from near Six Mile, were in town Saturday, and purchased a large stock of goods.

Our town continues to improve. The sound of the saw and hammer can be heard on every hand. We'll boast of a city yet.

Messrs. Latham Bros. were too busy to write out their ad. for this week's issue. Keep your eye on their space next week.

C. C. Vandegrift is selling lots on his farm between Montevallo and Aldrich cheap. Call and buy one before he advances the price.

The editor says he is going to buy one of those cheap lots in the Vandegrift addition, build a residence, get married, and quit his meanness.

The Montevallo Steam Ginnery is now ready for work. It will be to your advantage to see Capt. McKibbon before having your ginning done.

Come to hustling Montevallo, and let the wide-awake firm of C. L. Meroney & Co. make you some prices. Don't forget that they are in their handsome new brick store.

Mr. Burgess Little, the clever and accommodating cashier of the Shelby County Bank, was in town Monday. We are glad to announce that the bank will be ready for business by the 20th inst.

Go to C. L. Meroney & Co.'s new brick store. They have groceries for the hungry, shoes for the barefooted, hats and caps to shelter the bareheaded, and clothing for the naked at prices to suit the stingy.

Mr. L. N. Bowden, who has been in the northern markets buying a large stock of fall goods for the enterprising firm of H. C & W. B. Reynolds, returned home Sunday. Mr. Bowden took in the Nashville Centennial while away.

The old and reliable firm of H. C & W. B. Reynolds is too well known to need any commendation from us. They are the pioneers of low prices, and they know the value of printers' ink. Watch their space next week, and see what they have to say.

Montevallo is as good a cotton market as you can find anywhere. Our cotton buyers pay the highest market price for the fleecy staple, and our merchants can furnish you with anything you want to eat or wear at rock-bottom prices. Bring your cotton to Montevallo.

When you come to Montevallo to do your trading, don't fail to call on Morgan Bros. before buying elsewhere. They have just opened up a new and fresh line of dress goods, novelty suiting, ribbons, etc, for the ladies. Their clothing department is complete in every respect. See their advertisement in another column.

Mr. John T. Wilson, living about 5½ miles southwest of Montevallo, had the misfortune to lose his residence, all of his meat, lard and molasses, and a lot of household goods by fire last Saturday night. The fire originated in the smoke house, and was first discovered about eight o'clock. Mr. Wilson's loss is about $1.000, with no insurance.

A young lady once asked us how to make "not enough" out of the word "enough." After a moment's meditation and thought we told her it was quite easy, and explained as follows: Take, we said, the 3rd, 2nd and 1st letters of the word "enough" for the first, and the 6th, 4th and 5th for the second, and you will have two words that signify something that is not enough for any young lady. Arrange the letters according to the above direction and

R W Hawthorne, Winston, N C; W B Steel, Birmingham, A X Marston Chattanooga, J T Steiner, Nashville Henry Meyer, Selma.

SOUTHSIDE DOTS.

The protracted meeting at Spring Creek was quite a success.

Mr. Walter Carlisle has returned to his home in Talladega for a few days.

Miss Realy Sessions has been quite ill for the past week, but is improving now.

When does the St. George give her grand opening? Echo when.

Mr. Kroell, what young man's orders for horse and buggy have you filled for 12 Sundays in succession?

Dr. E. G. Givhan is off on a visit for a few days.

The Gypsies are in town. Who are going to have their fortunes told? Mr Dol Banks already knows his.

The young people that were out driving Sunday afternoon got a good sprinkle, but that didn't mar their pleasure in the least.

"Honey, does you lub your man?" is the song of the Southside boys.

EVANGELINE.

SIX MILE ITEMS.

The Academy opened Monday morning with an enrollment of 84, with a fair prospect of 30 to 40 more in a short time. Quite a number of patrons were present. Rev. W H. Connell opened the exercise by reading the 2d chapter of Proverbs with a short comment, and offering a short prayer. Prof. Rasco gave a hearty welcome to all. Rev. J. M. Langston, chairman of the board of trustees, made an address, giving an interesting account of Six Mile school contrasting the past with the present. Capt. R. H. Pratt followed with some very expressive remarks on education. Rev. S. Smithson came next, and said we have all we need in the persons of our teachers, and if the parents will cooperate with them, they will have a school indeed. Rev. J N Langston, one of Bibb's noblest sons, followed with some great argument to push forward in education. Prof. H. L. Hicks came next with wit and humor, and made a splendid talk on getting and how to get a practical education. Prof. A N. Clayton, the new principal was next, and made a practical talk on education. Mr. R. J. Rotenberry offered some timely remarks of encouragement. Mr. H. L. Wallace said the war prevented him from getting an education, but he was a friend to education, and thanked God for the star rising in our beloved Bibb, which fits persons for every calling in life. Mr. Newton Langston gave some of his peculiar wit and humor. He also made some telling remarks aptly suited to the occasion.

The sick of our town are all about well again.

C. H. Moore has enlarged his store house and has greatly improved his stock of general merchandise.

Mr. Mose Cottingham's children have moved to Six Mile to attend school.

Capt. Pratt is working hard to promote the educational interests of Bibb H.

BLOCTON ITEMS

The public school opened Monday, the 13th inst.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Rice visited Six Mile Sunday.

Cotton continues to come in, which shows that Blocton is a good cotton market.

Gov. Joseph F. Johnston passed through our town Sunday en route to Centreville.

Profs. Wallace and

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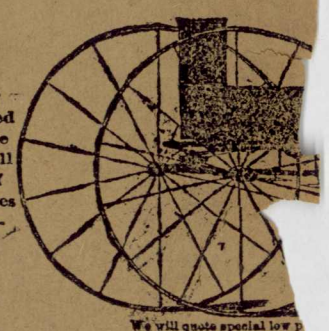

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along the Alabama and Mobile rivers. Valley creek will have to be locked, dammed and considerably deepened at points, and it is estimated that eight locks will have to be erected along the Warrior river between the mouth of Valley Creek and Tuskaloosa.

State Treasury Statement.

The fiscal year with the Alabama State Treasury concludes on September 30, but it is already evident that the receipts for this year will be between $50,000 and $60,000 in excess of those of last year, whereas the increase in the disbursements will reach probably $200,000.

This increase in disbursements is due to the expense of the last legislature, which cost the State $53,000; an additional interest of $70,000 on the bonded indebtedness of the State, by reason of the increase of the contract rate on the graduated bonds; an additional appropriation of $15,000 by the last legislature to the Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo; an increase in the appropriation to the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute at Talladega of $11,000, and an increase in payments from the school fund of $33,000 for public school purposes; the appropriation for codifying the laws, $12,000.

These several appropriations consumed $194,000 of the increase in disbursements and the balance represents the increase that is natural in the expense account of a growing State. Had it been possible to avoid these several extraordinary expenses, and had it not been for the Lott shortage, the treasury would have shown a profit this year of considerably over $60,000.

Briefly Noted.

A school building will be erected at Marshall.

Electric cars have superseded steam dummies on the Ensley line.

Montgomery's new cotton mill started last week with a full force of operatives.

The State Board of Health has elected Captain Amerine State quarantine manager.

Jesse Claxton, colored, shot and killed Richard Ford, colored, in Birmingham Friday night.

C. D. Summerlin was shot through the stomach by C. M. Barksdale at Brantley Wednesday, and will probably die.

Sixty skilled rolling mill men arrived in Birmingham Thursday from Pittsburg to accept positions in the rolling mills.

Temple Taylor, a negro woman, said to have reached the remarkable age of 115 years, died in Birmingham last week.

Wes Roane, colored, shot and killed Carrie Brown, colored, at Smythe's Mines, Jefferson county, Friday, the murder being the termination of a quarrel.

S. Carstenson, the man who fell into a vat of hot water at the Alabama Brewing Company's plant at Birmingham, died Saturday morning at 5 o'clock from his injuries.

Governor Johnston has appointed John Case, of Mobile, as tax collector of that county, to succeed Elisha B. Lott, who was recently removed from that office because of his heavy shortage.

In a drunken row Saturday afternoon Riley Fincher and Acker Hicks, cousins and farmers of the White Plains community, Calhoun county, Hicks fatally stabbed Fincher. Fincher died and Hicks is at large.

William Manning was shot and killed at Guntersville last Thursday by his son-in-law, John Rollins. Both were drinking at the time. They became enraged at one another, and engaged in a rough and tumble fight before the shooting.

The citizens of Jemison have appointed a committee of arrangements, who are preparing for a big barbecue at the meeting of the State Alliance, to be held September 22 and 23. Hon. M. W. Howard will be present, and deliver an address.

MISERY AND DEATH.

Gloomy Outlook for People Who Have Rushed to Alaska.

The steamer Cleveland has arrived from St. Michael's, bringing with her from the Yukon gold fields a story of distress and disaster.

The miners she has on board and officers in charge of the ship tell the story of the sufferings at Dawson. The winter has set in at the mining city of the frozen North and two great stores of the place have closed their doors, for they have nothing to sell. Those who have been seeking gold now must seek food or starve.

While there may be a tendency to exaggerate the actual condition of affairs, there can be no question that famine threatens the adventurous men and women who made their way to Klondyke. Hundreds of unruly are flocking to Dawson. violence are being made on

...rts.

Committee to Co... ...hington.

It is probable that the special committee appointed by the Birmingham Commercial Club to look after the matter of endeavoring to secure the government armor plate plant for Birmingham will visit Washington in a few days for the purpose of appearing before the special naval board that have the matter in hand and urging them to visit this city and investigate its claims. Congressman Underwood of this city, Congressman Gaines of Tennessee and Congressman Livingston of Georgia are expected to accompany the committee to Washington. The committee will meet Monday to take steps on the subject.

Big Deal in Coal Lands.

A big deal in coal lands has just been consummated. The parties were L. B. Musgrove and Maj. G. D. Fitzhugh and associates on one side, and wealthy New York parties on the other. The New Yorkers have bought fifteen thousand acres of coal lands in northwest Walker and Marion counties. Mr. Musgrove put in about eight thousand acres and Fitzhugh and associates the rest.

The purchasers will at once set to work to develop the lands by opening up large mines. Another town will spring up in the corner of Walker county and another field of development be opened.

Two Important Raids.

The revenue officers in Northern Alabama have made two important raids this week. At Rockway, in Limestone county, Deputy Collector Logwood and Deputy Marshal Charles Logwood captured and destroyed a 250-gallon copper still, together with all appurtenances, and 2,000 gallons of beer. The still was owned and operated by W. T. Harrison and James Robinson, who were arrested and carried to Huntsville.

Near Milan, in Jackson county, Deputy Marshals Skelton and Arnold captured and destroyed a moonshine establishment that has been running for several years past. It consisted of a fine copper still with a capacity of 120 gallons and a copper worm. This was owned by Walker Matthews, one of the wealthiest men in Paint Rock valley, who has made whisky for two years past in open defiance of the revenue men, who have never been able to locate his place of business.

Surveying the Warrior Canal.

United States Engineer Joseph Ri... ...ied by Assistants Barr...

...puties ... ...rth a terrible volley. The strikers were taken entirely by surprise, and as the men toppled and fell over one another, those who remained unhurt stampeded. The men went down before the storm of bullets like ten pins, and the groans of the dying and wounded rent the air. The excitement that followed was simply indescribable. The deputies seemed to be terror stricken at the deadly execution of their guns, and seeing the living strikers fleeing and the others dropping to the earth, they went to the aid of the unfortunates whom they had brought down.

Governor Hastings ordered out the Third Brigade, of which General Gobin is commander, and instructed General Schall to hold the First Brigade in readiness. The troops mobilized at Hazleton, and were on the scene before daylight. Capt. R. A. Paxton, U. S. A., attached to the national guard, started for Hazleton by direction of the Governor.

SEEKING PEARLS

People Flocking to the Ouachita Beds Near Malvern, Ark.

The excitement over the discovery of pearl-bearing mussels in the Ouachita river and its tributaries is running very high at Malvern now, and scores of people have engaged in the occupation of gathering the mussels and opening them in search of jewels.

Men and boys in every station of life, regardless of race or color, are flocking to the streams in which the mussels abound, and from early morning till dewy evening can be seen wading in the streams, shoveling out the rough-shelled gem-producers, which they are confident contains the highly prized pearl.

Several very fine specimens of the pink variety of pearls have been found and also those of a pure white variety. In most every instance they are imperfect in shape, but occasionally one of perfect shape and fine orientiss is secured.

VIRTUALLY ENDED

Is the Great Strike So Far as Certain States are Concerned.

The great miners strike, which was declared on July 4, was brought to an end Saturday so far, at least, as Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and West Virginia are concerned, by the action of the interstate convention of miners, which has been in session at Columbus, O., since last Wednesday. After a day of voting and wrangling ... resolution

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The Turn of Life.

The cessation of the menses usually occurs between the ages of forty and fifty. Great irregularity takes place in the periodic discharges for some time before the final cessation, the female usually experiencing sudden flashes of heat, fullness in the head, headache and other evidences of constitutional disturbance. The nervous system sympathetically responds, and there is great irritability and melancholy, the patient is discouraged and has a sense of fullness or suffocation.

At no time in her life does a woman need more constant care and watchful tenderness, nor has more need for a remedy to invigorate and strengthen her. The bowels should be kept regular with Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, and if Dr. Simmons Squaw Vine Wine is used during the whole of this critical period, it will invigorate and enrich her blood, soothe and strengthen her nerves and thus relieve the suffering and enable her to pass safely through the dangers, prolong her life and afford her strength and joy in her declining years.

W. A. P. Euston

Pine Bluff, Ark., writes: Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine has been a God send to myself and family for 20 years. It cures Chills and Fevers, Bilious Fevers, Sick Headache. I think there is no comparison between it and "Black Draught" and "Zeilin's Liver Regulator."

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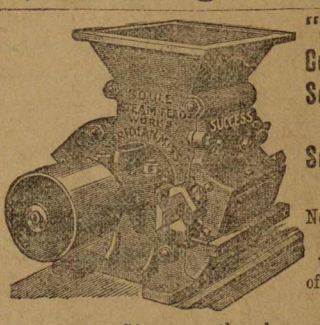

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Ha! h

"You remember," s
in the bald wig, "he
went to Chicago four
"I do," answered th
the pea-green whiskers.
"Well, now, all the w
to Wheeling."—Cincinnat

A Pitiful Case.

"You are an orphan, you
Mr. Spokes to an applicant
"Yes, sir."
"How long have you bee
phan?"
"I am an orphan by birth, si
change.

A Frenchwoman has invented a
bicycle exerciser consisting of a
resting on the floor with two upr
posts, one for the handle bars and
other for the pedals, the latter be
connected to a shaft carrying a spro
et wheel, which is geared to a bra
mechanism to make the work hard
easy, as desired, a speed indicator
ing attached to the handle bar.

Want Bugs Protected.

For some time past British entomo
gists, or bug-hunters, have been ex
cised over the extermination of cert
insects in consequence of the zeal of
collectors, who roam over the coun
with butterfly nets. It would be
cult to protect butterflies and moth
Legislation, as has been done for b
so an association has been formed
der the auspices of the Entomolog
Society of London. The members a
to leave rare insects alone for aw
and to do all in their power to curb
sporting instinct in others. The in
collector who abides by it will be n
than human, remarks London Grap
Imagine a stamp collector agreeing
to pick up a rare specimen from
roadside, yet a similar temptation
be met and have to be resisted by
insect collector.

The Worst Boy in School.

He was about the worst boy in
school and the teacher had punish
him again and again until she had
gun to consider him in the light o
natural enemy, and she felt that
boy's feeling for her must be alm
one of hatred. So it was in the nat
of a surprise when, in view of the
proaching holiday separation, ot
boys of the school brought to her d
little gifts of remembrance, to have
bad boy approach with some hesitat
and place a box of candy on her de
"But I don't think I can take
Tom," she said. "You have been
bad a boy; you have seemed to
everything you could to displease m
"Oh, please take it, Miss Blan
said the bad boy in entreating to
"I worked after school hours to get
money to get it."
And someone felt tears coming v
near the surface then, for the bad
was a poor boy and had not so m
pleasures in life that he could be
pected to sacrifice any of them for a
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GENERAL NEWS

Current Events of the Day Epitomized.

NEGRO POSTMASTER SHOT.

Turkey and Greece to Sign a Treaty of Peace—Two Texans Shoot and Kill Each Other—Statue to Canovas to be Erected by Spain.

Frank Lockridge accidentally shot and killed himself at Spring Hill, Tennessee.

Professor Andrews has withdrawn his resignation as president of Brown University.

General Ignacio Andrade will succeed General Crespo as president of the Venezuelan republic.

Captain Thomas McDermott has been nominated by the Republicans for mayor of Chattanooga.

A disastrous wreck occurred on the Wisconsin Central Friday, resulting in the death of five persons.

J. H. Loftin, the negro postmaster at Hogansville, Ga., was shot Wednesday night by unknown parties.

Gaines & Fuller's cotton gin, corn mill, flour mill and planing mill were burned last week, with a loss of $4,000.

The National Road Parliament met in Nashville Friday, and selected Omaha as the next place of meeting.

Lillie Texas Young, 18 years of age, was found murdered near Salem, Va. Robert Foulz has been arrested for the crime.

Paul de Pierre, formerly vice-consul of the French republic at New Orleans, killed himself by inhaling illuminating gas.

C. S. Preston, a Kansas City drummer, was fined heavily last week at Brunswick, Ga., for refusing to show his health certificate.

The coal miners' strike, as far as the Pittsburg district is concerned, is off, and the 22,000 diggers will resume work at the 65 cent rate.

A small pox patient, a negro boy, was placed in the pest house at Columbus, Ga., Friday. This is the only case of this disease in this locality.

A statue to Spain's murdered premier, Canovas del Castillo, is to be set up in Madrid, the municipal authorities of that city having just unanimously decided to thus honor his memory.

The long overdue steamer Excelsior, which left St. Michaels, Alaska, for San Francisco port six weeks ago, but was compelled to put back to Unalaska for repairs, arrived Thursday with sixty-three passengers and about one million dollars in gold.

It is understood the federal administration will take steps looking to the apprehension and punishment of the assailant of Loftin, the colored postmaster at Hogansville, Ga., who was shot on Tuesday.

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A sensation has been caused at Berlin and elsewhere by a statement that the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, son of the late Archduke Karl Ludwig and Princess Anneuceta, daughter of the late King Ferdinand II of Naples, heir presumptive of the throne of Austria-Hungary, was married in London last week to a middle class lady from Kohlscheidt, near Aix-la-Chapelle. The name of the lady is not given.

W. Entrekin, a respectable farmer of Marshall county, Alabama, has fallen a victim to the rigid internal revenue laws. He made application for a license for an apple brandy still recently, and while waiting for the arrival of the license, and until other forms could be observed, he made a few quarts of brandy for home use. Revenue officers arrested him for illicit distilling. On this charge he was tried before a commissioner and bound over to the grand jury.

PRESIDENT DIAZ ASSAULTED.

Ignacio Anulfo Strikes the Oresident as He Was Riding in a Procession.

Ignacio Anulfo, a violent character, assaulted President Diaz of Mexico on Thursday during the military procession. The man was felled by a companion of the president, and was immediately taken into custody by the authorities. The attack was made while the president was riding at the head of a procession celebrating Independence Day. As the president neared the Alameda, there was a disturbance in the crowd on the sidewalk, and a well built, muscular man, with flowing black hair and mustache, forced his way past the gendarmes and soldiers, and jumped between the president and General Pradillo, and the chief of staff, Monasterio, and dealt a blow at the back of the president's neck. The violence of the blow was diminished by the fact that he was crowded between the president and the officers immediately following him. The president turned round and caught sight of his assailant, and resumed his march with admirable coolness.

Meantime, Chief of Staff Monasterio hit the man with a cane, who, turning, seized it and broke it. General Pradillo then hit him a powerful blow in the neck, felling him. The gendarmes rushed forward, and some of the mounted officers and police seized and pinioned him. He was taken into a side street and led away, the people shouting: "Give him to us! We will hang him!" But the gendarmes succeeded in keeping their prisoner, being reinforced by cavalrymen, the great crowd shouting and running behind.

Some think the assailant merely made the assault for the sake of gaining notoriety, having read the accounts of the assassination of Canovas.

Later advices state that Diaz's assailant was lynched.

WILL BE GREEN AGAIN.

Green will again be the color of the postage stamps. Chief Johnson, of the bureau of engraving and printing, recommends the change on two grounds. He says green is more suitable for government documents, and not so glaring and vivid. It is also cheaper, and will result in a saving of between $8,000 and $10,000 a year, a sum Secretary Gage deems sufficient to take into consideration. The secretary of the treasury and the postmaster-general have approved the recommendation, and the green two-cent stamps will soon make their appearance.

SAGASTA TALKS.

Senor Sagasta, the Spanish Liberal leader, in an interview on the subject of the Cuban insurrection, says the uprising, instead of dying out, is spreading considerably. Sagasta says the situation in the Philippine Islands is serious. He also asserts that the Carlist propaganda in Spain cannot be viewed with indifference, and expresses the belief that reconciliation between the political parties in Spain is impossible so long as the Conservatives are in power, and in conclusion Sagasta says: "In my opinion the Cortes will not meet, but if they do meet their existence is ephemeral."

YELLOW FEVER.

Report of Its Progress by the Marine Hospital Bureau.

RAPID INCREASE OF VICTIMS.

New Orleans in a State of Alarm—Many Towns in Southern Mississippi Have the Disease, and the Outlook is at Present Gloomy,

The official bulletin of the marine hospital bureau will contain in its forthcoming issue a synopsis of the yellow fever situation, with a summary of the cases and deaths up to the 14th instant. The list of cases and deaths is lower than that reported in press dispatches from infected points, but they are all that are officially established. The summary by States is as follows:

States.	Cities.	Cases.	Dths.
Ala.	Mobile	1	0
La.	New Orleans	2	0
La.	New Orleans	2	0
La.	New Orleans	7	0
La.	New Orleans	5	0
Miss.	Barkley	8	4
Miss.	Barkley	1	0
Miss.	Edwards	12	1
Miss.	Ocean Springs	4	2
Miss.	Ocean Springs	1	0
Miss.	Pascagoula	1	0
Miss.	Pascagoula	1	0
Miss.	Perkinston	1	0

The synopsis covers the outbreak from its inception, with all the bureau orders, reports from surgeons, boards of health, etc., concerning the status of the fever at various points. The bulletin says:

"A brief synopsis of the occurrence of yellow fever in the South is given as follows:

"Beginning with the report of Past Assistant Surgeon Wasdin, of September 3, stating that the situation at Ocean Springs needed investigation, and his detail to proceed to that place and make an investigation in connection with the members of the Mobile board of health, and his subsequent report on September 6, stating that an autopsy made by himself confirmed the diagnosis of yellow fever, the representatives of the State boards concurring, precautions were immediately taken by the bureau directing Past Assistant Surgeon Wasdin to arrange for a cordon, employ necessary help and turn matters over to Surgeon Murray on his arrival, and to notify the railroad agents until a cordon should be established to sell tickets only to points north of Nashville, or points in mountainous districts, and to keep a record of all persons leaving, with points of their destination, notifying the local authorities."

After detailing the assignment of surgeons to various points, the synopsis proceeds:

"The total number of cases at Ocean Springs September 8 was two in a sick list of forty persons, and one case resulting in death was reported from New Orleans, whose illness, it is stated, commenced at Ocean Springs. Train inspection at the Alabama line was established on the 9th. On the same day yellow fever was reported at Scranto, Miss., and several suspicious cases in one locality in New Orleans were examined by experts of the Louisiana state board of health, train inspection on the Louisiana line having been inaugurated several days previously by the Louisiana board. On the 10th six new cases of sickness were reported by three physicians at Ocean Springs.

"The suspicious case at Scranton was examined by Dr. Guiteras and reported to be yellow fever. On the 10th Surgeon Carter reported a case at Perkinston, Miss., contracted at Ocean Springs."

The report then refers to the twelve suspicious cases reported on St. Claud street, New Orleans. No positive diagnosis of yellow fever was made; nine of the case...

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By virtue of a proclamation issued by the State health officer, Florida is now guarded against any persons from the infected yellow fever districts.

VICKSBURG HOT.

Board of Health Pass Resolutions Denouncing Meridian's Actions.

The following resolutions were passed by the board of health in Vicksburg, Miss.:

"Resolved, That we most emphatically condemn the action of the Meridian authorities, who, in utter disregard of the dictates of humanity, have refused to allow the Alabama and Vicksburg trains to pass through that city, these trains taking women and children seeking refuge from the danger which menaces them here. This action deprives the stricken town of Edwards and other points along the road from obtaining supplies and ice, medicines and other articles necessary to their comfort. We respectfully ask the governor of the State to call out National Guards and suppress such lawless and inhuman demonstrations."

SNOW IN COLRADO.

Reports received at the weather bureau indicate a general snow fall in the mountains. Snow is several inches deep at Cripple Creek and Central City.

REVOLUTIONISTS SUCCEED.

Private advices received at San Francisco Thursday convey the information that after two days of hard fighting the garrison of Barrios' soldiers at Quezalentango succumbed to superior numbers, and the revolutionists are masters of the situation in Guatemala. This is understood as the equivalent to the end of the career of Reno Barrios as Dictator of the Central American Republic.

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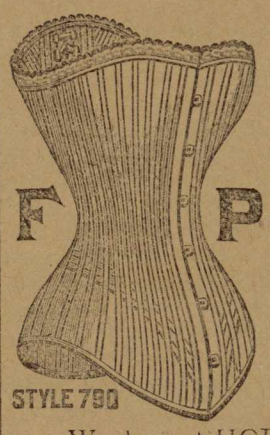

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Belle Ellen, Sept, 20—Slope No 2 of the mines here is on fire and considerable damage has already been done, Five men are beyond the flames, and are thought to be dead. They are miners who were cut off by the flames before they could be rescued. They are: Hubbard Foley and Herman Garner, white; Frank James, Henry Reeves and William Fairfax, colored. There maybe others but these are known to be cut off. The men are undoubtedly dead, as the fire has been raging some time. One of the state mine inspectors is here, and at his advice the entrace was closed to prevent the ingress of air to feed the flames. It is the intention of the fire fighters to pump water into the slope as soon as hose can be procured. A special train was run over the Louisville and Nashville, and that road is doing all in its power to save the mine. The men are beyond home. The fire is supposed to have originated from the steam pipes. The Belle Ellen mines are operated by the Bessemer Land and Improvement company, of which L. W. Johns is superinteudent. The mines are located a few miles below Blocton, and slope No. 2 has only been operated a short time. About 150 men are employed by the company here.—Age Herald.

KISSING.

The reason kissing is so pleasant, says an osculatory expert of scientific tendencies, is because the teeth, jaw-bones and lips are full of nerves and when the lips of persons meet an electric current is generated, and, chips in a facetious contemporary, ... don't have to have a dynamo

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METHODIST —Rev. L. P. Abernathy, pastor. Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 A. M., S. H. McCauly, Supt. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 P.M.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A F & A M—Meets on Saturday nights before first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W, M.
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W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights in each montn.

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Local.

Dolf Banks has again had his wheel repaired.

Postmaster Zoidahouke of Maylene was in town Tuesday.

Walter Ozley, of Long-view, came to town this week and sold some cotton.

Mr. Frank Kroell, is now wearing a smile that is "child like and bland"

Mr. C. W. Plant, of Clanton, was in town Tuesday looking sor a location.

Mrs. R. S. Allen, of Birmingham, is visiting President Reynolds this week.

There has been the usual number of home-seekers in Montevallo this week.

Mr. T. A. Best is building an oven for his bakery. Look out for fresh bread soon.

Perhaps Mr. McKibbon has this week heard something like this. "I told you so."

Mr. West Hinton and Mr. James Butler, of Ebenezer, were in the city this week selling cotton.

Prof. Simmons, of the Polytechnic. returned to Montevallo Tuesday from his summer vacation.

Miss Fannie McMath returned on Monday last from Clanton, after an absence or several days.

Rev. P. L. Abernathy has returned from a summer resort, apparently much benefited by his outing.

Mrs. E. L. Fulton and daughter, Miss Leila, of Maylene, were in town Tuesday and purchased a large bill of goods.

Another proof of Montevallo's prosperity is the location here of two hustling merchants of the Hebrew persuasion.

Mr. D. C. Savage, of Maplesville, has moved here for the purpose of sending his girls to school. He also subscribed for the NEWS.

Gypsies seem to be stuck on Montevallo. They probably find no more convenient quarters than their picturesque camp on the banks of Shoal creek.

Tis said that only the rich can enjoy life. We are not acquainted with the size of some of the boys finance, but one of them is enjoying life to the fullest, that we can testify.

Son tells us (confidentially, of course,) that it "didn't u-ter was" that just any old thing could go just any old place: but now—oh, my! just any old thing.

Oh. no, the plumbers, carpenters and bricklayers are not wished at all to get the school buil[illegible]s in shape. But if [illegible] don't have [illegible] they'll [illegible]

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THROUGH THE GRAND CANON.

Upon the earnest solicitation of the editor of the NEWS and others, I have attempted, in the few hours' notice given me. to write a short account of my trip through the West, omitting all minor details, and dwelling but for a moment upon a few out of the hundreds of points of interest which I visited. Everyone has, I believe, a more or less defined idea of his country, of its wealth, rapid growth and limitless possibilities, but not one in a thousand has any conception of the gorgeous beauty or the astonishing variety of its natural scenery. Though I had heard much and read more of the grandeur of our West and Northwest, my mind was but poorly prepared for the many surprises which followed each other in so rapid succession that it was impossible for me to grasp the preceding in its entirety, ere I was brought face to face with another.

As space will hardly admit of the treatment of more than one subject at a time, I will only give in this article a short description of the Grand Canon of the Colorado. Imagine a series of chasms more than two hundred miles long, between ten and twelve miles wide and varying in depth from five hundred to seven thousand feet, and you can form some conception of the magnificent proportion of this exquisite, if awful, work of nature. Few men have been half way down the Grand Canon; fewer still have stood on the edge of the water at the bottom of the gorge, looked upwards between the mighty walls of rock and gazed at the heavens through the space intervening between the grandest and most astonishing precipices the world has ever seen. It must not be understood that for the entire length of more than two hundred miles the Colorado river runs between granite walls and one continuous precipice. The Canon is as varying as it is enormous: here a great gash in the earth with perpendicular walls on both sides of the river, marvelously symmetrical and almost mathematically parallel; there a rise less abrupt, forests of trees, and mountains of no inconsiderable size finding a resting place on the comparatively easy slope of the sides. Then again there is on the one hand a sameness of color and an absence of vegetation which speaks of solid rock of impenetrable thickness, and not far distant a blending and harmony of color, gorgeous in its beauty and exquisite in its contrasts. In places almost dark, so difficult is it for the light to penetrate, the depth being so great and the channel so narrow. A little farther on we enter a soft, subdued radiance, which gives to every leaf added beauty, and reminds one forcibly of the passage which tells us that when the Almighty had finished His work of creation He "saw everything that He had made and behold, it was good." Thus through an entire afternoon did we feast our eyes upon this sublime panorama, gliding out upon the open just as the west grew crimson with retiring day and the "stooping sun was gathering up his spent shafts to store them in his glittering quiver."

C. T. ACKER.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Dr. H. W. Harrison, of Dogwood, was in town Tuesday purchasing goods.

Pink Davidson went up to Elliottsville Sunday to see some of the Girls.

Wm. Bean and J. D Stripling are still making syrup.

Walter Harrison is attending the protracted meeting on Pea-Ridge this week.

W. E Harrison is out hustling for the Grand-jury nowadays. Look out boys.

Mr. W. E [illegible]

SOUTHSIDE DOTS.

Miss Lois McCauley has returned from Six Mile. She reports quite a jolly visit.

Miss Claude Bryan and Mr. D. P. Banks spent quite a pleasant day yesterday with Misses Dunnam, friends of Miss Bryan, who live near Helena, Ala.

Mr. John Kroell has our sympathy. But never mind, John, maybe your papa will have another picture made of the St. George and then you will get in.

We are glad to see Messrs John and Walter Carlisle, after a pleasant visit to their mother.

What was it that cost $27·00 ?

Several of the young people contemplate giving an amateur entertainment for sweet charity.

It came to the ears of the city reporter, that an early marriage might be looked for.

There are quite a number of young people counting stars now.

EVANGELINE.

A SHELBY GIRL.

Miss Lula came from Shelby the other day,
And then I felt as happy as a jay;
And when she returns home,
Around that place I would like to roam.

Fayette thinks he is the proper stuff,
But he is nothing but a bluff;
He had better keep an eye on this pig,
Or I will make him dig.

Fayette's girl lives at Maylene,
I think he is acting real mean
By trying to love two:
But that is the way he will do,

Sam is going to Shelby on the first,
And Fayette will go too, or burst;
And I hope the other geut will be with her.
And see Fayette trot off like a kicked cur.

If with anyone she wishes to case,
I am willing to hold first base;
And run through the whole race,
With a swif and untiring pace.

I have forgotten all of the past,
I think I have found my girl at last;
Other boys their eyes on her may cast,
But I dare them any love of her to ask.

J. M. B.

March 22. A. D., 1897.

If we could write poetry like the above, do you think we would plod along the dreary paths of journalism? Do you suppose if we had the heaven-born gift of song in such a degree that we could take hold of the hearts of millions and warble two or three little ditties like that, or write an effigy before breakfast, or construct an eonic, anapestic twitter like the above, that we would carry in our own coal trim our own lamps and wear a shirt two weeks at a time? Echo answers no!

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"Young ladies, pray 'listen to me,
And be just as quiet as nice,
While I sing you a song, 'tis not very long,
But contains quite a piece of advice.
"Don't marry a man if he drinks"—or
"Eats sour krout or drinks ginger pop—
Or ever goes down to
The blacksmith shop"—for
That's "Home, Sweet Home."
There's no place like
"Just before the battle, mother,"
I am thinking most of you,
While upon the field I'm watching—
"For my own sweet Maggie dear,
Sitting by my side"—with
"No one to love,
Nothing to eat,
Roaming alone,
With nothing to eat."
"Sad is my heart—
Joy is unknown—for
I'm in Montevallo and
I can't get back—
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OKE OVENS.

en are pushing work enditure by the Se- pany of Syracuse, N. . They are erecting coke ovens, at a cost hich a bi-product sav- engines, boilers, etc., making the whole in- $400,000.

WORKS COMPANY

worth of stock has for a new water to supply Birming- w company will be Artesian Water Compa- erate a franchise issued by the present city administration to C. Bradshaw and associates. The gentlemen who compose the company have completed arrangements for the purchase of the celebrated artesian wells at Gate City.

ng some startling facts to light. Friday eight negro men and boys, reported to the grand jury to be at work on the farm of Ex-Sheriff J. W. Pace, were summoned to appear before the grand jury, and failing to do so, attachment was issued for them and deputies sent down to the Pace farm to enforce the attachments. The eight negroes were found by the deputies and brought before the grand jury. After hearing what the negroes testified, the Solicitor, with the entire grand jury, repaired to the court room and there the eight negroes were examined in open court as to why they had failed to respond to the summons issued.

They all swore that they were not allowed to come. Three of the negroes testified that they had been at work on the Pace farm for more than five years; that they had never had a trial of any kind, but had been taken up by Dan Scott at Sylacauga and taken to Pace's farm, locked up at night and forced to work during the day for more than five years. All of the others, except two, testified that they were brought from Sylacauga by the same man and in the same manner.

They all testified that they had been whipped and had scars on their bodies from it. One of them, who tried to escape about two weeks ago, had been run down by dogs, and as punishment for running off had been made to lay down and horses run over him, from which he had sores which have not yet healed. Attachments have been issued for other negroes who are reported to be at Pace's and every effort will be made to find them. The judge gave the grand jury a special charge, urging them to sift the matter to the bottom.

Briefly Noted.

S. A. Pilley has been appointed postmaster at Troy.

Bill Reed has been arrested at Gurley, charged with robbing the postoffice there some days ago.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has accepted Governor Johnston's invitation to visit Alabama some time this fall.

Probate Judge S. B. Baker, of Cleburne county, died at his home in Edwardsville Tuesday. He leaves a wife and two sons.

John T. Wilson, who lives five miles below Montevallo, lost his residence and smoke house by fire. The total damage was $1,500.

At Jonesville, near Birmingham, a young woman whose name used to figure in Birmingham's social chronicles has established a frog farm.

Yellow fever refugees cannot stop in Birmingham. Some of them have tried the experiment and in each case they have been turned back.

The Colbert County Bank failed last Thursday. It is probable that all claims will be paid, as the liabilities are estimated to be only about $6,000.

Amzi McDaniels, a 14-year-old white boy, was bathing in the river at Montgomery with three companions, when he got beyond his depth and was drowned.

Old man Hames, aged 80 years, who has been on trial at Scottsboro for killing James Swatts, has been acquitted. It is stated that Hames probably owes his acquittal to his age.

The Cullman county tax books show a total assessment of property for 1897 of $1,851,416, an increase over 1896 of $112,839. The reported amount of assessments made by the tax commissioner is $117,656.

The work on the new railroad from Columbus to Montgomery is rapidly nearing completion. The grading between Tuskaloosa and Columbus is almost done and it will not be long before track laying will begin.

There is a boy in Limrock, Jackson county, only 3 years old, that weighs 103 pounds. He has a cousin, a girl, 13 years old, weighing 225 pounds.

September 29 has been appointed as Alabama Day at the Centennial.

John White, a young man living five miles north of Waterloo, was seriously hurt by a falling tree. He was already a cripple and was not able to get away when the tree fell. It struck him across the right side and the leg was terribly crushed. It is not thought he will recover.

State Normal College, Troy, Ala.

The "College authorities" have postponed the opening from Sept. 21, as first announced, to Sept. 28, so as to better adjust to circumstances. The excellent health of Troy, and the generosity of her people toward the College and its students, insure all of safety, comfort and progress. This College annually turns out scores of fully, or partially, trained teachers, and school officers call for these, as it pays to have trained teachers as it does trained workmen of any kind. Alabama will soon admit no other kind

where the lower part of the frame joining with the crank hanger goes up to a point near the top of the front wheel. This connection gives the machine a sensitive steering device.

Side Combs.

Side combs never were worn so much. And never were they so long. Some resemble the combs which extend from ear to ear which are worn by children. The material is shell or imitation. But they must be put in carefully (outside the strands over the roll) in such a way as not to destroy the rotundity of the halo. Sets of three combs, each four inches long, are also sold.

One arrangement of combs or another is quite necessary for outdoor use, because the wind is not respectful of pompadours. Bangs, decidedly, are passe. Such stray locks as have not grown to manageable lengths are curled and allowed to nestle about the forehead. But they must not have a fixed appearance.

The back hair is done high or low according to individual preference. Oftenest it is twisted in Psyche effect. It is the saying of many women who know that a proper hairdress saves half a season's wardrobe. This, because whatever her gown, a woman always feels distinguished if her head is at its best.

Birmingham (Ala.) Age-Herald: The days and the nights are filled with music. Birmingham is a music-loving town. It displays no weakness to be moved by weakness. Its wondrous harmonies search the subtlest windings of the soul, the delicate fibers of life where no memory can penetrate, and binds together your whole being, past and present, in one unspeakable vibration.

ALABAMA CAR SERVICE GROWS.

The Alabama Car Service Association handled last month 21,343 cars, as against 12,709 cars for the same month last year, the difference in favor of August, 1897, being 8,574 cars, an increase of 70 per cent.

The largest number of cars handled in any one month last year by the association was 14,931. The business in August, this year, was greater than that by 6,412 cars, or about 65 per cent.

The total number of cars handled last year was 160,216. At the August rate of this year the total for 1897 will reach over two hundred thousand.

ATTACKED BY A CATAMOUNT.

Alice Groy, a member of a family who are camping at Elk River Falls, about nineteen miles below Decatur, was attacked and wounded by a catamount Tuesday night. The young lady was sleeping on a cot about midnight and was awakened by some creature breathing in her face. She screamed and the beast sprang upon her, burying its claws in her bosom. The animal escaped before any of the male members of the family could get there, but it was followed by the dogs and men and finally shot. It was a catamount, and measured three feet six and a half inches in length. In a near-by cavern three half-grown catamounts were discovered and killed. The young lady was not dangerously wounded.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Mr. Francis M. Purifoy, a son of Hon. John M. Purifoy, has been appointed private secretary to President Powers, of the University of Alabama, and post adjutant for the next year.

Mr. Purifoy is admirably equipped for the duties of the position. He [illegible] 1886-87 in the Univer-

A MOTHER'S EFFORT,

A Mother Sees Her Daughter in a Pitiful Condition, but Manages to Rescue Her.

From the New Era, Greensburg, Ind.

The St. Paul correspondent for the *New Era* recently had an item regarding the case of Mabel Stevens, who had just recovered from a serious illness of rheumatism and nervous trouble, and was able to be out for the first time in three months. The letter stated that it was a very bad case and her recovery was considered such a surprise to the neighbors that it created considerable gossip.

Being anxious to learn the absolute facts in the case, a special reporter was sent to have a talk with the girl and her parents. They were not at home, however, being some distance away. A message was sent to Mr. Stevens, asking him to write up a full history of the case, and a few days ago the following letter was received from Mrs. Stevens:

"ST. PAUL, IND., Jan. 20, 1897.
Editors *New Era*, Greensburg, Ind.

"DEAR SIRS: Your kind letter received and I am glad to have the opportunity to tell you about the sickness and recovery of Mabel. We don't want any newspaper notoriety, but in a case like this where a few words of what I have to say may mean recovery for some child, I feel it my duty to tell you of her case.

"Two years ago this winter Mabel began complaining of pains in her limbs, principally in her lower limbs. She was going to school, and had to walk about three quarters of a mile each day, going through all kinds of weather. She was thirteen years old and doing so well in her studies that I disliked to take her from school but we had to do it.

"For several months she was confined to the house, and she grew pale and dwindled down to almost nothing. Her legs and arms were drawn up and her appearance was pitiful. Several doctors had attended her, but it seemed that none of them did her any good. They advised us to take her to the springs, but times were so hard we could not afford it, although we finally managed to get her to the Martinsville baths. Here she grew suddenly weaker, and it seemed that she could not stand it, but she became better, and it seemed that she was being benefited, but she suddenly grew worse, and we had to bring her home.

"She lingered along, and last winter became worse again, and was afflicted with a nervous trouble almost like the St. Vitus' dance. For some time we thought she would die, and the physicians gave her up. When she was at her worst a neighbor came in with a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and wanted us to try them as they were advertised to be good for such cases, and her daughter had used them for nervousness with such good results that she thought they might help Mabel.

"We tried them. The first box helped her some, and after she had taken three boxes she was able to sit up in bed. When she had finished a half dozen boxes she was able to be out and about. She has taken about nine boxes altogether now, and she is as well as ever, and going to school every day, having started in again three weeks ago. Her cure was undoubtedly due to these pills."

(Signed) MRS. AMANDA STEVENS."

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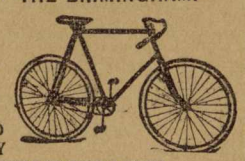
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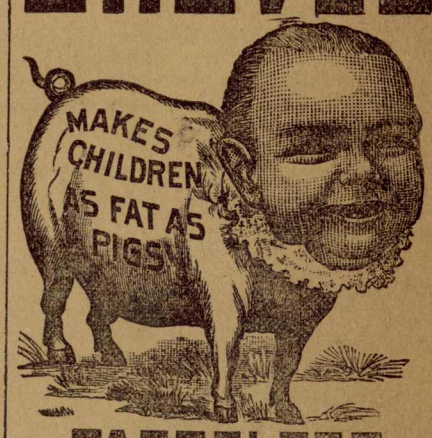

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On June 30th, 1893, the Supreme Court enjoined J. H. Zeilin & Co. from manufacturing and selling medicine under the name of "Dr. Simmons' Liver Medicine."
Zeilin's answer to our bill said, the medicine was designed as "cheap negro medicine for the negroes of the Mississippi Valley." And Zeilin's manager testified in the case, and Zeilin's advertisements said "that all the Liver Medicine they make is made by the same formula." What more conclusive evidence could there be that all their Liver Medicine is "cheap negro medicine?"
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CLIFTON NEWTO

A new powder mill will soo be in operation near Boyles Gap. Its capacity will be 300 kegs per y.

When the Angel Gabriel ots his horn over Montevallo he ill stop several in their ascent fo he sin of not patronizing their ome paper.

John A. Gafford, who as si- nated Francis Bartow Lloyd Lu- tus Sanders), near Greenv la. last August, stands a good ce of going by the neck-ti

Miss Maggie Miller er of the late Judge Wm. or years one of the most nt Republicans in Tusca d Alabama, has been appoi post- mistress at Tuscaloosa, vice Major McCalla, Democrat, removed.

T. N. Lowe, alias Tom Lowe. alias Tom Smith, was convicted in the circuit court of Shelby county on the 25th inst., for rob the express car near Calera and sentenced to ten years in penitentiary, the lowest per under the law. Surely, "the of the transgressor is hard."

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Montevallo is growing. We all both see and feel it. What are you doing to help the town's growth? If you are following the first impulse that comes to us all, you are speculating on the growth of the town and the necessities of the people. You are figuring to yourself how much you can make here, how much there.

If you are following a nobler impulse that also comes to us all, you are preparing to make sacrifices for the benefit of the people and the town.

"What does it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" What does a man do for himself if he works for self and self interests alone, and does uothing for his neighbors, his friends, his enemies—for humanity?

MR. REYNOLDS EXPLAINS.

HE WRITES CONCERNING THE $1,000 PAID HIM AT MONTGOMERY.

Age Herald.

Montevallo, Ala., September 25.—H. C. Reynolds, President of the Girls' Industrial School, at Montevallo, has written Gov. Johnston a letter concerning the $1.000 recently voted Reynolds at a meeting of the board of directors here. The communication is dated Montevallo, Sept. 21, and is as follows.

I desire to make some corrections regarding a report of the meeting of the board of trustees held at your office last Saturday. The report states that the money lost in the Commercial bank was the private funds belonging to the girls of the college, which was in my hands to pay board, etc. Now, I contend, and the gentlemen of the board who favored refunding me the money contend th this is not the fact. I was charge of the school as ac dent by Gov. Oats, wit ty to organize and 12. 1896. I was i for boarding and adver out th wor

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GENERAL NEWS

Current Events of the Day Epitomized.

FATHER SHOOTS HIS SON.

Peace at Last Declared Between Greece and Turkey.—A Rapist Meets Summary Punishment.—Revolution Rife in the Nicaraguan Republic.

Sylvanus Johnson was hanged at Key West, Fla., Thursday for rape.

The Missouri fruit crop will aggregate $25,000,000 for the present year.

Early frosts in Kentucky and Tennessee killed much tobacco last Tuesday.

Carrie Fleming, a refugee from Mobile, died in Atlanta of yellow fever Thursday.

The Cumberland Island hotel, near Brunswick, Ga., has been destroyed by fire, the result of a stroke of lightning.

Revolution is rife in the Nicaraguan republic. The government is using stringent measures to suppress the rebellion.

Almost the entire business portion of Arlington, Ga., was destroyed by fire last Tuesday. The loss was about $75,000.

At Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday the mercury dropped to 49 degrees, breaking all previous records for September.

A would-be rapist by the name of Sam Jenkins, at Crawfordville, Fla., was caught, bound and thrown into Mud Lake.

Joe Jones, a colored man living at Palatka, Fla., got drunk, fell into a shallow stream and was drowned in fourteen inches of water.

At Columbus, Ga., the Southern railway's freight depot and the sash, door and blind factory of Butts & Cooper were destroyed by fire. The loss aggregates $60,000.

Ex-Inspector General of Police Velasques of Mexico City committed suicide in prison, where he had been placed for killing Arroyo, the assailant of President Diaz.

It was officially announced Monday that peace between Greece and Turkey had been signed, and the ministers of war and marine have so notified all the Turkish military and naval commanders.

Joseph C. Stephens, of Baltimore, aged 64 years, shot and dangerously wounded his son, Robert J., aged 23, in a quarrel over the latter's intended marriage, which was to have taken place Thursday night.

The bankers of London have made a vigorous protest against the policy of the government of the Bank of England in announcing its willingness to maintain one-fifth of its bullion reserve in silver.

An appeal has been made to Surgeon-General Wyman to order Dr. Guiteras to investigate immediately the very suspicious fever now prevailing in Galveston, Houston, Dallas and San Antonio.

Burrell Tillman, colored, was waylaid and shot at Blackshear, Ga., by unknown parties as he was leaving home. Tillman was not seriously hurt. Suspicion rests upon Marshall Goodman and Marion Bailey.

W. E. Clark, a resident for the past eighteen months of Linton, Fla., a town at the south end of Lake Worth, drowned himself in one of the fresh water lakes in the edge of the Everglades near that place last week.

In the reorganization of the Central of Georgia John M. Eagan, now vice president, will be elected president. This marks another step in J. Pierpont Morgan's project to secure control of all the railway and steamship lines in the Southern States.

A Floridian from Cuba reports that the recent filibustering expedition for the island was captured, and that nineteen men on the vessel were slain [illegible]. He adds that Ha[illegible]g from a beef

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A feud of long standing between James Reeves and Lawrence Austin, brothers-in-law, had a bloody termination near Roby, Chester county, Tenn. The two men met in the public road and Reeves shot Austin in the head with a double-barreled shotgun. Austin died, and Reeves escaped. Both are well-known planters.

Frank Short, a well-known country merchant, a few miles south of Abingdon, Va., was killed in a runaway late Tuesday evening while on his way home from Abingdon in a cart. A peculiar feature which connects itself with his death is the fact that his lifeless body was picked up on the very spot where some three years ago his brother, Bird Short, shot and killed two men, Lee Simmons and Henderson Dinkens.

JUDGE KILGORE DEAD.

The Well-Known Ex-Congressman From Texas Passes Away.

Judge Kilgore, ex-Congresman from Texas, died at Ardmore, I. T., Thursday.

As a member of Congress from Texas, Judge Kilgore was one of the best known men in public life. He was called "Buck" by his intimate friends, and attracted wide public attention in the Fifty-first Congress by kicking in a green baize door which had been locked by order of Speaker Reed during one of the filibustering scenes that made the first "quorum counting" Congress memorable. He supported President Cleveland ardently, and after he was retired from congress the President appointed him one of the judges of the Indian Territory.

Mr. Kilgore was born in Newnan, Ga., February 20, 1835. In 1846 he removed with his parents to Rusk county, Texas, where he received a common school education. He served in the Confederate army, first as private and by successive promotions reached the grade of adjutant general, serving as such in Ector's brigade, Army of the Tennessee. He was wounded at Chickamauga and in 1864 was confined as a prisoner in Fort Delaware. He was admitted to the bar after the war and in 1875 was a member of the Texas constitutional convention. He was a presidential elector in 1880 on the Hancock and English ticket and in 1884 was elected to the State Senate for four years and in the following year was chosen president of that body for two years. He was elected to the Fiftieth, Fifty-first and Fifty-second Congresses as a Democrat.

BANISH A KING.

Drunami, of Benin, Sent to a Penal Settlement.

Lagos, West Coast of Africa.—Drunami, the king of Benin, who has been on trial at Benin City since August last, with a number of his leading chiefs, charged with being concerned with the massacre of the unarmed expedition under British Consul Phillips, has been condemned to be transported to Calabar, a slave settlement of British West Africa. Three of the king's chiefs were previously sentenced. Two of them were shot and their bodies displayed hanging in the streets for twenty-four hours. The third of these chiefs escaped a similar fate by committing suicide.

FATAL MINE EXPLOSION.

Several Miners Were Killed and Others Entombed.

An explosion terrible in its effects occurred in the Williamson Company's coal mine, three miles north of Marion, Ill. Fifteen wounded miners, two of whom have since died, have been rescued; one was found dead when the rescuing party went down the shaft. Several are severely crushed, and may die. They say there are five or six miners imprisoned in the burning mine, but they cannot be reached on account of smoke and fire. These men are no doubt killed. The explosion was caused by natural gas.

BIG SHIPMENT OF SPONGES.

W. P. K. Decker, the leading sponge dealer of Anclote, Fla., has shipped all the sponge he had ready to Philadelphia, in response to an urgent telegram. The value of the three hundred bales he sent there is estimated at $5000.

DON CARLOS ONCE MORE.

SURPRISED.

United States' Attitude Causes a Sensation in Madrid.

OVER-CONFIDENCE IN WEYLER

The General Impression at Madrid is That the Spanish Government Will Try to Drag Negotiations Along, Unless It Rejects Uncle Sam's Good Offices.

The attitude of the United States has caused a great sensation at Madrid, because opinion has been lured on by the optimistic communications of the Spanish minister at Washington upon the character and duration of the correct attitude of the United States government, and that, too, despite several warnings from Mr. Olney and Mr. Cleveland's message.

The official bulletins of Captain General Weyler have also received too much confidence, when the United States every month was receiving from its consuls and special envoys totally different news.

The general impression at San Sebastian and Madrid is that the Spanish government will try to drag negotiations along, unless it rejects purely and simply the good offices of the United States, on the ground of public opinion and on the further ground that the opposition would not permit it to tolerate foreign intervention, even though amicable.

The government organs roundly deny that Minister Woodford has mentioned an ultimatum, but the public mind is not altogether relieved thereby. The policy of the government in denying and suppressing news and directly denying the truth of almost everything in any way unpalatable must always tend to increase public uneasiness.

The use of the word ultimatum is exaggerated. General Woodford doubtless expressed himself energetically, but between this and fixing a period of six weeks to end a widespread insurrection under pain of taking up the cause of the insurgents against a friendly power, there is a very wide distinction, and more especially so in the present political situation, when a change of government more or less radical cannot be distant.

YELLOW FEVER SITUATION.

Grows More Alarming at Infected Points as the Days Go By.

New Orleans.—Eminent physicians believe that the work of the Board of Health is productive of good results, and that the fever is not spreading, but on the contrary, is being confined to localities. Up to Friday there have been a few less than 100 cases and fifteen deaths. The death rate is in the neighborhood of 15 per cent. It was in 1878 16 per cent, so that up to the present time the disease is about as virulent as it was in the last great epidemic that visited New Orleans.

Mobile.—Up to and including Friday there have been forty-one cases, six deaths, nineteen discharged and sixteen under treatment. With one or two exceptions, the sick are doing well. The board have still the satisfaction of reporting very slow progress of the fever toward an epidemic visitation. Much active work of a sanitary nature is being done by the city authorities, and new methods of quarantine and disinfection are about to be put in practice under the advice of the board.

At Edwards, Miss., the situation is still growing worse. There have been 133 cases reported up to Friday, with only four deaths; 44 are convalescent, and 85 under treatment.

At Biloxi the spread of the fever is not so rapid, though there are new cases reported daily. There have been fifty-eight cases to date.

The situation in other infected towns along the coast remains unchanged, with a small number of cases developing daily.

The second case of yellow fever to develop in Louisville, Ky., was announced by Health Officer White last Thursday. The first case was that of Frank DeRumsey, who died in an infirmary in that city on August 16.

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Between November, 1895, and [illegible] 1897, the Spanish government sent to Cuba 181,738 soldiers, 6,261 officers, of whom forty were generals, 212,542 guns, 320,406 kilograms of powder, 92,088,670 cartridges, 160,712 swords, 91 cannons, 12 mitrailleuses and 29,500 shells.

Since the outbreak of the present revolution in the Philippines the government has sent 27,706 soldiers, 881 officers, of whom nine were generals, 43,100 guns, 24 cannons, 24,910 kilograms of powder, 21,726,585 cartridges and 30,604 shells.

ELECTION IN CUBA.

Bartolome Masso Vice President of the Republic.

According to advices from Puerto Principe, Senor Bartolome Masso has been elected vice president of the Cuban republic, Gen. Maximo Gomez has been appointed minister of war and Calixto Garcia major general, General Gomez remaining commander-in-chief of the Army of Liberation.

Word comes from Santa Clara that General Gomez has ordered a new invasion of Western Cuba, with a view of profiting by the rainy season.

It may be safely estimated that more than 150,000 native Cubans have disappeared from various causes. In certain towns entire families have been wiped out. Sickness continues at a high rate among the troops, probably about 37,000 soldiers being on the sick list, most of them victims of fever.

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C. L. Meroney and Co.

H. C. & W. B. REYNOLDS

Were too busy opening and marking new goods to write their advertisement this week. Watch this space next week.

They have the biggest stock of goods ever brought to Montevallo.

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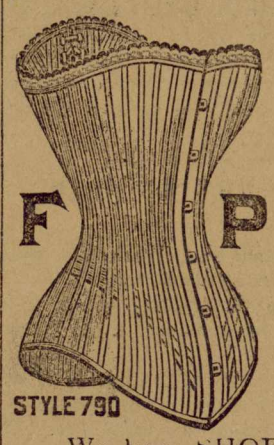

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Directory.

CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor—preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. W. Lyman, Supt. Prayermeeting every Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 P.M. Ladies Aid Society meets at 4 P.M. on Monday after the 2d and 4th Sunday.

METHODIST —Rev. L. P. Abernathy, pastor Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 A. M., S. H. McCauly, Supt. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 P.M.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A F & A M—Meets on Saturday nights before first full moon in each month.
J. ALEX. MOORE, W, M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights in each month.
C. F. ROBBINS, C. C.
G. B. MONROE, K. of R. & S.

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E. S. LYMAN, Reporter.

Rates of Subcription.

One year, cash in advance,.....$1.00
Six months, cash in advance,.....50
Three months, cash in advance,.....25

Local.

Calera boys are again becoming pious. So nice.

Mr Sam Farrington visited Columbiana yesterday.

Mr Jas Battle from near Six Mile, visited H C Fancher Sunday.

S P Dayidson, of Dogwood, spent a few hours in the city to-day.

Mr R T Newton is in Columbiana this week, serving on the jury.

We hope Mr. Jack Frost will call Mr. Yellow Jack right early in the game.

We understand that a party is figuring on starting a dairy on Mr. Vandegrift's place.

Mr. Frank J. Kroell has bought out the livery and feed stable of H C Fancher & Co.

If you wish to buy a lot to build on, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has some bargains to offer.

Mrs C F Grove left Tuesday for Blocton, where she will remain for several days visiting friends.

The editor hasn't suffered very much yet from the cold weather. Ice-juice is still quite agreeable.

Great Gee Whiz! what a stock of canned goods, groceries and eatables H C & W. B. Reynolds have laid in!

When you are in need of a good article of coal, call on C. C. Vandegrift, who will supply you promptly

Miss Ada Dill left for Blocton Sunday evening, where she has accepted a position as milliner for Mrs W W Perry.

Just as we go to press we learn of a most horrible crime committed at Cary's mines Tuesday night. All parties concerned are white. We have learned no particulars.

Prof. Ruffin has a large attendance at his school, and is giving perfect satisfaction to his patrons. Montevallo must not forget to grow a good male school building while she is growing.

The NEWS presumes to speak for Montevallo people in offering a cordial welcome to Mr. Savage and family. Mr. Savage occupies the Williams house at upper end of Main street.

Mr J S Harris, of Maylene, was in town Tuesday. Mr. Harris was once a miner, and in getting off of a train in Indiana about three years ago, he fell, and the cars ran over him, cutting off both legs above his knees.

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If everybody will co-operate with the NEWS and let the editor know of the arrival and departure of their friends and such other news as they wish published, everybody can see what their friends are doing, and we guarantee the arrangement to be satisfactory all around.

Capt. D. W. Shivers, of Gallion, and his family, came in this week. Capt, Shivers has engaged the Magnolia hotel for the winter. This very handsome and convenient building will no longer be occupied by the festive drummer, but will be adorned in a short while by a number of pretty school girls.

C. L. Meroney and Co. speaks to their friends this week through the advertising columns of the NEWS. They can be found in their handsome new brick store near the bank. They will give you full value for every nickle you spend with them. Read their ad, and don't forget to call on them when you want bargains.

Among late arrivals is Miss Pattie Purnell. Miss Purnell resided in our town during the session of '96 7 as housekeeper for President H. C. Reynolds. We are unacquainted with her purposes for the ensuing year. Miss Purnell spent the summer at her home in that most pleasant of summer resorts, Monteagle, Tenn.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Geo. Kroell, to be found in another column. Mr. Kroell is one of the pioneer citizens of Montevallo, and is to well known to need any commendation fron. us. He receives new goods daily, buys more cotton and sells more goods than any other merchant in town. Call on him when you come to town.

We direct your attention to the advertisement of the Shelby County Bank. This is a new enterprise in Montevallo, and has been open for business only a few days. The cashier, Mr. Burgess Little, was for several years cashier of the Blocton Savings Bank, and is a young man of high moral character and a Christian gentlemar. We can conscientionsly recommend him to the citizens of Montevallo as such. If you have any money hoarded up, take it to the bank, and make a deposit, and it will be safe from burglars and fire

SOUTHSIDE DOTS.

We are glad to welcome Miss Ethel Strong home again.

Mr. Rogan, please order some more "peanut brittle" candy.

Mrs. Vandegrift will move into her handsome new residence in about two weeks.

Mrs. James McConaughy is going to have her handsome residence on Main street repainted.

The Palace Photo Car will leave our little town this week for Selma, They did some beautiful work here.

Girls, make good use of your time, No more smiles, no more bows, and no more "tete-a-tete." School starts Monday.

Mr. Will Reynolds has been enlarging and beautifying his house, and he is now ready to welcome the girls to his hospitable home.

A certain young lady not far from here knows by this time that the kick of a cow is not the most acceptable form of a milk punch.

EVANGELINE.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Quite a crowd from here attended church at Maylene Sunday night.

E S Lovelady went down to Montevallo Wednesday to sell some cotton.

It is said that Montevallo is buying more cotton than any three towns in Shelby County.

Mr Frank Cunningham and his best girl attended church at Maylene Sunday night.

Quite a crowd of pic-nicers from Montevallo, passed through our city Saturday last en route to the big falls.

SPRING CREEK ITEMS.

Cotton picking is all the go in this section now.

Prof Foard is crossing over the ridge these days.

We learn that Mr C T Ingram has a very sick child.

Mr Fitzhugh Lee, of Italia, visited his father's family last week.

Our friend, J P, is carrying the day with the girls with his new buggy.

Mr T C McKiboon's new gin is doing splendid work, and is running in full blast.

Ray, she says she will take you if Ed don't come to time; so you had better spur up.

The health of this community is good, except chills, which have been plentiful this season.

Mr Oliver Alexander is putting in good time down the way. Talk up, Oliver. she is a fine girl.

Crops are short, especially cotton, which is such a low price. It is disheartening to the farmers.

Some more of the boys had better get buggies—maybe they can stand a better hand with the girls.

Rev P D Lee has peen confined to his bed for several days. but we are glad to see him up again.

Dr E G Givhan was in the community last Monday. Come again, doctor, we like to have you with us.

We have Miss Cora Oglesby with us now for a music and art teacher. Her many friends wish her success.

Rev J W Alexander filled Rev S G Oglesby's appointment last Sunday at this place, and gave us an exellent sermon.

P O West, Walter Knowles, Kirk Sessions and John Prestridge, passed through with their best girls Sunday last, en route to Shelby Springs.

A. H.

BLOCTON ITEMS

Water is very low in Blocton.

Mr. Al Johnson is visiting Calera

Sheriff Vance was in town a few days ago.

The Lanier Broom Co. is doing a nice business.

Mr. J. N. Campbell visited Centreville Saturday.

H. M. Beck, of Birmingham, was in town this week.

Mrs. Lum Dyer, of Stanton, visited our city Friday.

Reynolds is selling goods cheaper than ever before.

Blocton is the best cotton market in Middle Alabama.

A rain would do good—the ground is very dry and dusty.

S. J. Morgan visited home folks at Montevallo Sunday.

Dr W. J. Clarke, of Vance, is visiting friends in the city.

Mr N. Hedgecoth, of Bessemer, is in the city on business.

Mr. Bob O'Glispy got stuck Friday night, so the boys say.

Mr. Wm. Brown, of Affonee, called to see us a few days ago.

Bring your cotton to Blocton and get the highest market price for it.

Mr. W. C. Pratt, of River Bend, called to see us one day last week.

Mr. S. R. Coleman, of Ardella, has accepted a position at Alpine, Ala.

Hon. W. L. Pratt visited Birmingham last week on professional business.

M V Mathews, insurance agent, is doing a land office business he says.

If you want to know who is selling goods in Blocton, call at Reynolds'.

cotton, and the fleecy staple continues to roll in.

Mr. L. M. Clements, of Vance, was a pleasant visitor to our town a few days since.

Go to Mrs. W. W. Perry's for your hats. She has a large stock which she sells very cheap.

Suttle Town string band was out serenading Saturday night, and reported lots to drink.

Miss Ada Dill, of Montevallo, has accepted a position with Mrs. W.W. Perry, in Suttle Town.

J. M. Dobbins is putting up a gin near Centreville, and came here for his machinery Monday.

The Protestant Methodists are conducting a protracted meeting in Campbelltown this week.

Hon T. S. Dark says he is a candidate for matrimony, and will be elected by a large majority.

We regret to learn of the illness of little Joe Smith, son of E. Smith. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. John Jackson, of Centreville, called to see us Saturday. He says times are lively around Centreville.

Mr. S. J. Morgan has been down in South Alabama again. We won't tell all we hear about him, but look out.

What do you think of a merchant that won't advertise in his home paper? Do you think he deserves any trade?

Mrs W. W. Perry has purchased a nice stock of millinery goods, and will open up in a few days in West Blocton.

Capt. W. O. Hill is given up to be the best cotton weigher in this section. He is fair to the farmer and the cotton buyer.

Married, at the residence of Mr. Al Johnson, in West Blocton, on Friday evening. Mr. Wm. Brice and Miss Paralee Johnson.

The yellow jack causes coal trade to be a little slack with our operators We want to see jack frost come down and knock it out of the box.

We are glad to see Mr. Will McCool up again. He has almost recovered from the accident happened him on the Southern railroad not long since.

Sheriff Vance's wagon carried the big safe of the Bibb County Trust Co. to Centreville last week. It weighed about three tons, and will hold all the money in Bibb county safely.

Mr. Eugene Huey, of Marion, who has been in South America for a year, is visiting his brother, B. M. Huey, Jr., of this place. Eugene is looking well, and we are always glad to have him with us.

Mise Tera Harrison, a most charming belle of Helena, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Sharpe, of this place, for some time, has returned to her home in Helena. Several of the boys look sad.

Married, in McGraw Town, on Sunday last, by Rev. L F. Whitten, Mr. Oliver Rollins and Miss Ida Fitts. Mr. John Reindel, Suttle Town's best barber, dressed the hair of the bride and groom for the occasion,

Several damage suits will be filed at once against the Belle Ellen Co., and the chances are said to be good for heavy damages. Bowman and Harsh, and Campbell & Thomas represent the plaintiffs. Some lively litigation is on hand.

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STATE TOPICS.

Late News Items of General Interest to Alabamians.

RECOMMEND IMPEACHMENT.

At Florence the grand jury rendered a sensational report Friday evening, recommending the impeachment of Sheriff Carson for drunkenness in office, and giving a gentle warning to the road commissioners for several beats that the roads must be worked better.

BIG FIRE AT EAST LAKE.

College Station, near East Lake, is in ashes. The entire business portion was destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon. Twenty-one frame buildings went up in the flames in the remarkably short time of a few minutes. The total loss is estimated at more than $20,000, largely covered by insurance.

PUT UP THE BARS.

The existence of a case of yellow fever in Atlanta caused Captain M. H. Amerine, State quarantine officer, to institute a rigid quarantine against that city Friday. The order went into effect at sunrise, and the regulations are the same as those applied to New Orleans and other infected districts.

IN SEARCH OF GOLD.

Col. I. B. Stone, Greer Mason, John Freeman, Schuyler Harris, J. F. Walker, P. B. Laidlow and George Ragsdale compose a party that has left Athens for Arizona, where they will seek gold. The party had made considerable preparation for the trip, and has ample equipments for prospecting.

ROASTED.

A negro woman named Duncan locked her three small children in her dwelling near Coosada last Friday night and went to a party. Fire broke out at midnight and burned the house to the ground. The children were roasted under the bed, where they had crawled, seeking protection. The woman is guilty of murder under the law of Alabama.

SHORTAGE PROMPTLY PAID.

In the examination of Commissioner Culver's books last week a shortage of $[illegible],000 was discovered, which was promptly paid by Mr. Culver. The commissioner explains that the shortage was due to errors appearing in his vouchers, caused by the continued illness of his chief clerk, Donald Sessions, who died last month, his assistant not being able to keep up with all the work.

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.

The president has made the following appointments for this State:

Leander Bryson, marshal for the Middle district of Alabama; James C. Leftwitch, colored, receiver of public money at Montgomery; Robert Barbour, register of the land office at Montgomery; Judge Steele, register at Huntsville, and H. V. Cashin, colored, receiver of public money at Huntsville.

DEMAND FOR PIG IRON.

It is given out that Alabama furnaces have sold pig iron up to January 1 next year.

As a result a number of orders are being accepted for delivery after that date. Such conditions have not prevailed in this section in many months, and the activity of the pig iron market is the subject of much comment.

Fifteen furnaces are in blast in the Birmingham district, and two others are ready for the torch. Heavy shipments of pig iron are reported.

TAX ASSESSOR SHORT.

Assistant Examiner Foster has found another former tax assessor almost $3,400 short in his settlements with the State and county. Mr. Hugh J. Stephenson, of Colbert, is the unfortunate, but, according to the special report, his delinquency appears to be the result of an accident rather than of a deliberate intention to wrong the State. He is now arranging to pay the State the full amount he is due. It will take his home and all that he possesses to pay up, it is stated, but he promises that the State shall not lose a cent by him.

FIVE MINERS ENTOMBED.

Slope No. 2 of the mines at Belle Ellen is on fire, and considerable damage has already been done. Five men are beyond the flames, and are thought to be dead. They are miners who were cut off by the flames before they could be rescued. They are: Hubbard Foley and Herman Garner, white; Frank James, Henry Reeves and William Fairfax, colored. There may be others, but these are known to be cut off. The men are undoubtedly dead, as the fire has been raging some time. One of the State mine inspectors went

county, J. A. Ellerbee, Greensboro; Jefferson county, I. W. McAdory, Birmingham; Macon county, A. B. Paine, Tuskegee; Madison county, J. D. Humphrey, Huntsville; Montgomery county, John J. Hunter, Montgomery; Perry county, J. D. Cross, Marion; Pickens county, O. A. Chappell, Dillburg; Talladega county, J. B. Graham, Talladega; Washington county, T. C. Bowline, Leroy.

A CONTRACTOR KILLED.

J. G. Lallande was shot and killed by A. Stoneking at Tuskaloosa Friday. The cause of the shooting seems to have been over a very trivial matter, the two men having had a quarrel over treating a crowd to cigars. There was nothing thought of the matter until shortly afterwards, when they met again in a saloon and Stoneking offered to treat to drinks. Lallande refused, saying he would not drink with one who was not a gentleman. Stoneking then left the bar and went to a hardware store, where he purchased a 38-calibre Colt's pistol. Returning in a short time and entering the front door of the saloon, he saw Lallande standing at the cigar case. Stoneking began cursing and abusing Lallande, and as Lallande turned to face him Stoneking drew his pistol and fired once, the ball striking Lallande in the abdomen, who immediately sank to the floor in a dying condition. Stoneking was immediately arrested and taken to jail. Lallande was junior member of the contracting firm of Dunn & Lallande of Birmingham, who are grading the Mobile and Ohio Railroad. Stoneking was also a contractor.

QUARANTINE ROLL.

The following places are now being strictly quarantined against by Alabama in general and Birmingham in particular:

Atlanta, Ga., Cairo, Ill., Jackson, Miss., Vicksburg, Miss., New Orleans, La., Mobile, Ala., Edwards, Miss., Scranton, Moss Point, Perkiston, Barclay, Brantley, Mississippi City, Ocean Springs, West Pascagoula, Beauvoir, Chef Mentor, Lookout, Rigolets, Waverly, Poutchartrain Junction, Micheaud, Pass Christian and other places.

There is a strict quarantine on each and every place, Atlanta not excepted. No passengers are allowed to come from any of the places except they have been absent from said places more than ten days.

No baggage, mail or express matter or freight, is allowed to enter the State in general and Birmingham in particular, except they have been subjected to a thorough fumigation.

The officers in and around Birmingham have received instructions not to relax efforts in stopping people from Atlanta from entering the State. The newspapers of Atlanta will not be allowed to enter Birmingham without first having been well fumigated.

Briefly Noted.

Gaino is a new postoffice established in Barbour county.

The armor plate board will visit Alabama about November 1.

Alabama Day at the Centennial has been postponed until October 22.

The Berney National Bank of Birmingham has become the United States depository.

Rev. Daniel Murray died at Mobile Friday morning of yellow fever after five days sickness.

A. J. Estes was knocked down and robbed of $400 near Stillman, Jefferson county, last Monday.

Mrs. Alice Jones shot her uncle, George Patrick, a farmer, at Selma, Thursday for an alleged insult.

The tax values of Jefferson county for 1897 have been fixed at $29,099,862, a falling off from 1896 of $1,291,504.

Fire destroyed the lumber plant of the Foshee Lumber Company at Hammac. Loss, $20,000, with $8,000 insurance.

The altitude of Birmingham will be placed in figures on all the public buildings in that city by the government.

Since a case of yellow fever has developed in Atlanta a strict quarantine has been inaugurated by Alabama authorities.

No passengers south of Flomaton, on the Louisville and Nashville railroad, are allowed to travel to other parts of the State on account of the quarantine regulations.

The Illinois Car and Equipment Company has been organized, and has purchased the properties of the United States Car Company at Anniston. The plant is now partially in operation, and in a short time the entire plant will be busy, with a force of 1,000 employes.

The prisoners in the Colbert county jail had almost sawed their way to liberty last Monday morning when discovered by Ed Grisham, the son of the sheriff. Two of the iron bars were [illegible] This is [illegible] used

The Last Bugle-Call.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat has discovered that the last summons to battle in the Civil War was a bugle-call to charge, given by Nathaniel Sisson on the field of Appomattox.

Mr. Sisson enlisted when the war broke out, and at its close was a bugler under Custer. His regiment was in the saddle before day on the eventful eighth day of April, and began to skirmish with the enemy. An hour later they reached the position from which the memorable call to charge was blown.

The next moment two of General Gordon's aids rode out in advance of the column. One of them carried a towel fastened to a musket. General Gordon stated afterward that the towel was soiled and ragged; but, old and torn as it was, it carried a message of peace to the whole country.

General Custer, seeing this flag of truce, halted his charging column, and rode alone to the tent of the Confederate General. When he came out he said to General Kapehart, uncovering his head, "General Lee is treating for capitulation."

The war was over.

The men nearest to him caught the quiet words and burst into a frenzied cheer. They were men who had fought bravely, but who thanked God now that the war was ended. The cheer swept down the valley, and the hills shook with the shout—which meant peace.

Let us hope that Nathaniel Sisson's bugle-call to battle on that April morning was the last that shall ever summon brother to charge against brother in this land of ours.—Youth's Companion.

A Wonderful Pump.

A pump built for the stamp mills of the Calumet & Hecla Company is considered one of the most marvelous pieces of mechanism ever put together. Without crowding in the least and with as much apparent ease as one would work an ordinary cistern pump, this great engine delivers 2,500,000 gallons of water in twenty-four consecutive hours, and does this continuously. It is almost noiseless, so perfect is the adjustment; indeed, persons standing just outside of the building can scarcely hear its beating. Standing inside by the great pit from which the water is drawn almost the only sound is the in-rush of the water as the pump lifts more than a thousand gallons at every stroke. This immense piece of machinery is engaged in supplying water to the works, where 5,000 tons per day of conglomerate rock are pulverized into sand, fine enough to be swept away by the rush of water. The nicety of adjustment may be imagined from the fact that the current of water lifts and sweeps away the sand, but does not disturb the copper that settles to the bottom of the pans.

The Chilkoot Indian Packers.

"At Dyea is a small trading post, kept by a white man, around which is gathered a village of Indians or Siwash, belonging to the Chilkoot tribe. They are by no means ill-looking people. The men are strong and well-formed; the women (naturally, when one considers their mode of life) are inferior to the men in good looks. These women have a habit of painting their faces uniformally black with a mixture of soot and grease, a covering which is said to prevent snow-blindness in the winter and to be a protection in summer against the mosquitoes. Some have only the upper part of their faces painted, and the black part terminates in a straight line, giving the effect of a half mask. At the time of our arrival the Indians were engaged very busily in catching and drying small fish. This fish is very oily, and when dried can be lighted at one end and used as a candle; and for this purpose it is stored away against the long winter night."—Outing.

A Cow With a Wooden Leg.

Director-General E. C. Lewis, of the Tennessee Centennial, who owns a farm at Sycamore, Tenn., had a very valuable Jersey cow that in some way or other broke her left hind leg. Because of certain feelings of sentiment, he was very loath to shoot her if it could possibly be avoided.

Major Lewis called in a surgeon and had the leg amputated, and then a carpenter carefully fitted a wooden leg to the stump. It healed readily, and in a very short time the cow could get around as well as any animal on the place.

Peggy lived for several years after losing her leg and died only a month ago. She would, when things did not go just right, stand on her three good legs and kick everything within reach with her artificial member.

Immigration Figures.

The highest immigration record, excluding the arrivals of aliens not so classed, is that of 1882, when the prodigious number of 788,992 came, following the previous year's 669,431, till then unprecedented. In 1883 there was a heavy falling off to 603,322, and the decrease went on until 334,203 was reached in 1886. Then the tide again [illegible] and with some variations an-

Papa Crumley—"I judge a man, sir, by the company he keeps." Mr. Suitor—"Yes, sir. I hope you will bear in mind that I've been keeping company with your daughter for over two years."—Philadelphia North American.

Pokeleigh—"I met an old scientist today who claims to be able to square a circle." Brokeleigh—"Pshaw, I can do that myself! Just loan me a round dollar and see how quick I'll turn it into a square meal."—New York Journal.

Why is a foreign nobleman who marries an American heiress like a sailor? Because he's a mariner for money.

COMPLETE

Our stock for the fall and winter season of 1897-98 in all departments, and is brimful of late and pleasing novelties . . .

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Mrs. C. M. Gowan

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Falling of the Womb.

The cases of uterine displacement are very numerous and constitute a prolific cause of intense and wide-spread suffering. Its symptoms are bearing-down or dragging sensations, pain or weakness in the back, sometimes a sense of goneness at the pit of the stomach. It may result from too frequent childbearing, wearing garments that compress the waist and abdomen, overlifting, standing on the feet too long, and general debility.

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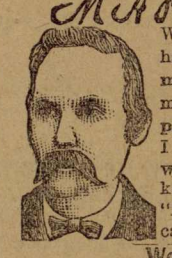

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NEWS SUMMARY.

Current Events of the Day Epitomized.

THE POPE EXTREMELY ILL.

Shipping Cattle to Cuba—A Favorite Actor Dead—Famous Mines Sold to an English Syndicate—Boneo Shaken by an Earthquake—Death by Asphyxiation.

Washington City had a $1,000,000 fire last Wednesday night.

King George of Greece has invited M. Zanis to form a new cabinet.

Gen. Baquedano, commander-in-chief of the Chilean army, is dead.

Atlanta is to have another sky scraper in the shape of a ten-story office building.

Mrs. Caroline Rivinius and her four children were found dead by asphyxiation from gas last week.

Henry George has been nominated for mayor of Greater New York by the democratic alliance.

J. P. Gurr, a farmer living at Snow, three miles from Unadilla, Ga., was mysteriously shot and killed on last Friday.

Earthquakes are reported to have shaken many places on the northeast coast of Borneo and a new island has been thrown up near Memphkaul.

Advices received tend to confirm the reported deal for the sale of an English syndicate of the famous Rossaland mine and the Leroy, in Idaho, for $5,000,000.

It is said that the Pope's weakness is increasing and that the church dignitaries are afraid he will not rally from the extreme feebleness and exhaustion he now betrays.

Hosea Townsend of Colorado has been appointed to succeed the late Judge Kilgore as judge of the United States District Court for the Southern district of Indian Territory.

Reports that Colonel Baldermero Acosta, of the Cuban army, had been captured by the Spaniards is untrue. He has safely landed in Vera Cruz, but is seriously wounded.

Harry Clifford, once a favorite actor, and who had been leading man of Lester Wallack and Ada Rehan, died in Bellevue Hospital, New York, the past week, aged 35 years.

Otto Boehlin, a prominent cattle buyer of San Antonio, Tex., has a contract with the Spanish government to ship 10,000 head of cattle a month for several months to Cuba.

John R. McLean has withdrawn from the race for United States Senator in Ohio. A. J. Warner has announced his candidacy at the hands of the Legislature to be elected this fall.

Fire at Willow Springs, sixteen miles from Chicago on the drainage canal, destroyed nearly half of the town and made fifty families homeless. The loss is $50,000, with little insurance.

Officers have arrived at Deadwood, S. D., from the Hole-in-the-Wall country having in their custody the three missing Belle Fourche bank robbers. The capture was only effected after a lively fight.

Willis Collins was shot and killed by Z. A. Leggett near Mayo, Fla., on Friday. Both men were prominent, Leggett being chairman of the democratic legislative committee. They quarreled over a pasture.

The Virginia Coal and Coke Company, operating at Stonega, Va., has awarded to J. A. L. Minor & Co. the contract to build an additional 150 coke ovens at Stonega, Va. The work will be commenced at once.

James T. Drummond, a prominent and wealthy citizen, and president of the Drummond Tobacco Company, of St. Louis, died Thursday. Mr. Drummond's wealth, aside from his tobacco plant, is estimated at $3,000,000.

The friends of John Y. McKane, [illegible] several years ago [illegible], are making very [illegible] to bring about his [illegible] ceeded in obtaining [illegible]tance from Sena-

J. M. Moore and Charles Rich, wanted at Marshall, N. C., where they are under sentence to be hanged for burglary, which is a capital offense in that State, if committed after midnight, were captured in Montana last week and will be taken back to North Carolina to pay the penalty of their crime.

Several hunters found the body of Peb Falls, a notorious white woman, dangling at the end of the rope, fastened to the limb of a tree, in Rockingham county, Virginia, last week. When discovered the body was in the first stage of decomposition. It is supposed that the woman was hanged by negroes, who had been her companions lately.

Macon, Ga., is in the midst of the greatest religious revival she has ever known. An immense tent capable of holding 3000 people has been spread on the English lot opposite the city hall, and night after night it is crowded with people drawn thither to hear the preaching of Dr. H. M. Wharton of Baltimore, who is conducting the revival.

CRUELTY TO WOMEN

And Outrage on Americans Charged Against Dictator Barrios.

The steamer San Blas arrived from Central American ports the past week with authentic details of the revolution in Guatemala: Barrios, needing money, applied to Don Juan Apricio, a well-known capitalist, through the medium of Gen. Roque Morales, who is noted for his cruelty. Knowing that the loan would mean his financial ruin, Apricio hesitated, and was taken promptly to the castle and strung up by the thumbs. Upon refusal to accede to the demands made upon him, Apricio was lashed until he fainted from the torture, and still being obdurate when he recovered from his lost senses, Morales cursed and shot him dead. His many friends, however, had their revenge shortly afterward, for when the city of Quegaltenago was taken General Morales was shot without the courtesy of a trial.

Grave accusations of cruelty to women, the wives and daughters of men who had joined the revolutionists, are made against Dictator Barrios.

The San Blas brought a party of fourteen Americans up from the scene of the revolution, all of whom say it will be a long time before peace is again restored. They state that Americans are thrown into jail on the very slightest provocation, upon the ground that they are plotting against Barrios. Even the stars and stripes were not allowed to float over their residences.

LEVYING TRIBUTE.

Wily Scheme of a Colored Preacher and Politician.

Felix R. Sims, a colored Baptist preacher and politician, postmaster at Thebes, Liberty county, Ga., was arrested the past week by Deputy Marshal White on a warrant sworn out before United States Commissioner J. F. Lewis, charging him with using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

Sims has been writing to a number of fourth-class postmasters in the First Congressional district, and as the representative of a certain republican committee, of which W. H. Styles, former representative from Liberty, and others, are members, has demanded tribute from them, in exchange for which the aforesaid postmasters were to receive the endorsement of this committee, which, it was said, would insure their appointments. Without this endorsement they were informed that they could not hold their jobs. These postmasters were assessed all the way from $10 to $75, one of them having bought the endorsement of the committee for the latter amount.

A LOCAL KLONDIKE.

Excitement continues to prevail in an acute degree near Purdam Springs, north of Little Rock, Ark., over the discovery of gold. Persons from Cincinnati and elsewhere have been buying up tracts of land in that vicinity in the past few weeks. They have gone about it quietly, and without manifesting a disposition to get their names into the papers, and this fact strengthens the belief in the merit of the developments so far. If the subdued excitement breaks forth in its fullness there promises to be a second Klondike epidemic.

TREND OF TRADE

Bradstreet's Shows Increased Activity in Many Lines.

STANDSTILL IN GULF STATES.

The Volume of Trade, as a Whole, Exceeds the Record of 1892—Wheat and Corn Decline Slightly in Price—Many Industries Increase Working Force.

Bradstreet's trade review for the past week says:

General trade is marked by increased activity in wool, hides, iron and steel and their manufactured products, but business in the quarantined districts remains at a standstill, and at all except a few northwestern distributing centers in spring wheat States, where business is relatively most active,, there is a check to the demand for dry goods, hats and clothing. Favorable reports come from a section extending from Knoxville to St. Paul and from Omaha to Milwaukee. The tendency is to increase estimates for the wheat crop and increase the probable yield of cotton.

The price movement shows a long list of unchanged quotations this week, including iron and steel staples, wool, hides, print cloths, lumber, nails, copper, pork, beef, coffee and sugar. Increases are confined to a nominal advance for anthracite coal, 25 cents for Bessemer pig iron, fractional gains for leaf tobacco, naval stores, butter, lard and another advance for woolen goods. Potatoes have reacted from the extremely high prices at the west and cotton is off further. Lead is lower, as are corn, oats and flour, in sympathy with wheat, which dropped 2 cents on Bradstreet's reported increase of nearly 10,000,000 bushels n the world's visible stocks.

Wheat (flour included as wheat) exports from both coasts of the United States and Montreal this week slightly exceed those of last week, the total aggregates 5,924,246 bushels, against 5,808,825 bushels last week, 4,215,294 in the week a year ago, 2,613,866 bushels in 1895, 3,243,100 bushels in 1894, and 3,189,000 bushels in 1893.

Corn exports show a considerable falling off, the total being 3,108,601 bushels against 4,022,000 bushels last week, 3,165,000 bushels a year ago, 1,383,754 bushels in 1895, 98,000 bushels in 1894 and 642,000 bushels in 1893.

The total number of business failures in the United States for nine months reported by Bradstreet's is 9,833, a decrease of 13 per cent from the corresponding total last year, but 6 per cent more than in 1894 and 11 per cent fewer than in the corresponding period of 1893. This year's failing corporations, firms and individual report $118,684,000 liabilities, a total of 30 per cent smaller than one year ago, about 6 per cent larger than in nine months of 1895 and of 1894, and 64 per cent less than in the corresponding period of 1893. The rate of failures in proportion to the number in business is decreasing. With reference to liabilities the falling off is noticeably rapid.

Business failures throughout the Dominion of Canada amounted to 1,501 for the past nine months, a falling off as compared with last year of 150, or less than 10 per cent. Total liabilities are $10,653,000 this year, against $12,219,000 last year.

INLAND SEA.

The Largest and Deepest on the Continent May Be Forming.

A dispatch from Tucson, Ariz., says that passengers who came in on the belated California train state that the cause of the delay were floods in the Salton basin. It was the rumored belief that the waters of the Gulf of California had broken over the sandbar which separates the Gulf from the basin. If this should prove to be true Southern California will have the largest inland sea on the continent, some places more than 300 feet deep, and a rise would come up through the Gulf to a point opposite Yuma to a port of the inland sea. In the meantime many [illegible]

SPANISH CABINET RESIGNS.

Withdrawal Accepted by the Queen, Who Will Summon Sagasta.

The Spanish cabinet has resigned. The queen has accepted the cabinet's resignation, but has asked General Azcarraga to continue in office until a solution of the crisis is found. Her majesty will summon the leaders of the various parties and the presidents of the chambers to consult as to the situation. Senor Sagasta has been telegraphed for, and it is believed that the liberal leader will be asked to form a cabinet.

The ministry whose resignation has just been announced was constituted as follows:

Prime minister and minister for war—General Marcelo de Azcarraga.

Minister for foreign affairs—The Duke of Tetuan.

Minister of marine—Rear Admiral Don Jose M. Beranger.

Minister of finance—Don Juan Navarro Reverter.

Minister of commerce and agriculture—Don Aureliano Linares Rives.

Minister for the colonies—Don Tomas Castellano.

Minister for the home department—Don Fernando Cos-Gayon.

SANGUILLY'S VIEWS.

Gen. Julio Sanguilly, who was arrested in Cuba, tried, convicted, pardoned and released at the request of the United States government, said a few days ago, discussing the Spanish crisis:

"I do not believe the formation by Sagasta of a liberal cabinet will have any effect on the Cuban insurgents. The Cubans have gone too far to accept autonomy. They are in a better condition now to fight to the end for absolute freedom than ever before. Why accept autonomy when freedom is at hand? Sagasta knows as well as anybody that the Cuban ultimatum on the offer of autonomy will be absolute and unconditional freedom. There will be no half-way measures. I thought President McKinley would do something for Cuba, and I still think he will do something for the struggling country. He has already caused much consternation among the conservatives, and whatever he has done in the matter of his communication given to Minister Woodford, it has certainly given an incentive towards the formation of a liberal ministry."

WEYLER HAS RESIGNED.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Havana says: The Herald's correspondent is informed on the highest authority that Captain-General Weyler has sent his resignation to Madrid to take effect as soon as practicable. General Weyler's resignation is one of the results of the resignation of the Azcarraga ministry, and is due to his belief that a liberal cabinet will be placed in power in Spain.

ANXIETY IN HAVANA.

There is great anxiety in political and commercial circles in Havana to know what is to be the outcome of the cabinet crisis at Madrid. The general opinion is that the conservatives will be called upon to form a new cabinet.

GOLD STANDARD ADOPTED.

News has reached the state department that the merchants in Bluefields, Nicaragua, have adopted the gold standard. Prices will be given in silver for goods sold for cash, but in the case of credit transactions, every charge is to be in gold, and either gold or its equivalent will be exacted at the time of payment.

ATLANTA OBJECTS.

In view of the fact that the rigid quarantine being enforced against Atlanta by Alabama and Mississippi is proving a great hardship to the people of both those States, the Chamber of Commerce of Atlanta has adopted a resolution reciting the fact that Atlanta is a perfectly healthy city, and that no yellow fever exists here, and calling upon the city, State and national authority to use their influence in having the quarantine modified to reasonable requirements.

President Neal, of the Chamber of Commerce, has addressed a [illegible]

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Miss Ada Quinn is visiting Hargrove.

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Mr. Jas. Stevens, of Birmingham, was in town Tuesday.

Mr J N Campbell visited Centreville Monday on business.

Mr. Henry Parker, of Centreville, died Oct. 5th, after a long illness.

Mr Walter Tatum, of Belle Ellen, was a visitor to our town last week.

M P Champion, of Scottsville, was in t... purchasing goods.

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...r G D Rice visited Centreville ...st week. Mr Rice is a good furni...ure man, and is doing a good busi...ess.

Rev J. M. McCord, pastor of the First Baptist church, delivered a fine sermon to a large congregation Sunday night.

Rev L. F. Whitten, pastor of the M. E. church, delivered a most feeling sermon Sunday evening in McGraw Town.

Mr Samuel Hill, of Vance, was a pleasant visitor to our town Saturday, and gave us a call and subscribed for the News-Herald.

...Levy & Co. sold several horses

Ed Jones, of Buck Town, lost his dwelling by fire last Friday night. All of his household goods were saved. The fire was caused by a defective stove flue.

The protracted meeting in Campbell Town closed Thursday night of last week. There were eight accessions to the Methodist Protestant Church.

Mr Burgess Little, cashier of the Shelby County Bank, was among his friends here Sunday. Burgess has many warm friends, who are always glad to welcome him.

On last Saturday night, Mr. S. W. Price, who lives on Stack Hill, heard a rap at his door. He opened the door but found no one there. After a little investigation, he found a beautiful little babe, well wrapped in a cozy basket. Of course Steve carried it in the house, and he and his estimable lady will tenderly care for it.

Cotton continues to roll in, although the price is very low. But the people know that Blocton is a good cotton market, and they know goods are cheaper here than in any other town in Middla Alabama.

Rev. T. B. Dison, of the Missionary Baptist church, administered the ordinance of baptism to three new converts near No. 7 mine last Sunday evening. The names of the parties baptized were Misses Mollie and Kate Suskey and Mr Walter Morse.

Died, near Jamesville, on Monday, Oct. 4th, 1897, John T. Hunt, aged about 28 years. Mr. Hunt was one of the brightest and most popular yonng men in Bibb county, and numbered his friends by the score. His death is universally deplored, and is mourned by a host of relatives and friends. He leaves a wife, formerly Miss Ora Wallace, of Blocton. The funeral occurred on Tuesday, and was largely attended.

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METHODIST —Rev. L. P. Abernathy, pastor Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 A. M., S. H. McCauly, Supt. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 P.M

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A F & A M—Meets on Saturday nights before first full moon in each month.
J. ALEX. MOORE, W, M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights in each montn.
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Local.

Mr Ed Lyman visited Columbiana Tuesday.

Mr S B Gibson's friends call him "Buddie."

A nice line of stationery, cheap at J. W. Martin's.

Dr Harrison, of Dogwood was in town yesterday.

We will publish a directory of the School next week.

Mr C C Vandegrift has moved into his new dwelling.

Paper and envelopes 9 cents a box at J. W. Martin's.

Mr John McKinney, of Six Mile, was in town Monday.

Major Strong says we will have rain soou Let it come.

Mr Burgess Little visted his father's family at Blocton Sunday.

I sell Coats thread 4 cents per spool. J. W. Martin.

Rev W. I. Sinnott will preach at the Methodist church Sunday.

It you want nice candy and apples call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Editor N. A. Graham, of the Shelby Sentinel was in town Mouday.

Every body is busy now. Every merchant says, "this is my busy day."

Mr J D Farrington has charge of the dormitory. We congratulate the girls.

Dear girls, we haven't forgotten you. We will please you in our next issue.

Messrs Jno T Wilson and C G Smith, of Brierfield, were in town yesterday.

We will publish an article on "Great Salt Lake," next week by C T Acker.

Rev P. L. Abernathy delivered a very appropriate sermon Sunday to a large congregation.

Mr J H Davies and daughter visited Capt. Shivers this week. Miss Davies entered school.

When you need anything, be sure to see Morgan Bros. before buying. It will be for your interest.

Mr Chas. Acker left last week to attend Medical College at Birmingham. We know he will be a credit to Montevallo.

The editor of the NEWS wants to get married, but can't find anybody that will have him. Poor fellow, he's in a bad fix.

We are glad [illegible] sets [illegible] he

OPENING EXERCISES OF THE GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL.

At 9:30 o'clock a. m., Mrs. Babb, the presiding teacher, tapped the bell for silence. Then Rev. Paul L. Abernathy read an appropriate chapter of the Bible, and Miss Lee, who presides at the organ, announced the old time song, "Coronation," which was beautifully sung by the school girls and teachers. A very able and expressive prayer was offered by the Rev. M. P. Reynolds, after which the president, Capt. H. C. Reynolds, in a very dignified manner, arose and introduced Bro. Abernathy, who welcomed the girls to our beautiful little town. He spoke in a manner that cheered the hearts of those who had just left home and friends to take up their abode among the warm hearts of the Montevallo people.

Next, Bro. M. P. Reynolds, pastor of the Baptist church, was introduced, and made some timely remarks, and welcomed the girls to his hospitable home, where he said they might come at any time and kiss his boy, who, by the way, is only two years old.

Prof. R. J. H. Simmons was then called on by the president to make a short talk. Mr. Simmons, in his usual kind and impressive manner, spoke of the improvements the president had made and what the state at last had done for the girls. He compared this school for girls to the A. & M. college and the University for boys.

Mr. W. C. Fowler, of Opelika, made an encouraging talk for the school, after which Mrs. Babb was introduced to the girls as their presiding teacher. It was certainly a treat to listen to such an able address deliyered in a dignified and lady-like manner.

The president closed the exercises with one of the most impressive and practical talks we have ever heard Never has a man worked so faithful and with so much zeal for anything as Mr. Reynolds has for this school. He has left nothing undone, and it is marvelous how much has been done in the way of improvements in so short a time. May he live long to stand at the head of this growing institution.

We were pleased to see so many girls present. They seemed cheerful and well pleased with the school, appreciating the many golden opportunities the state is now offering them.

MY DEAR GIRLS:

How glad I am to be back with you, and how rejoiced I am to greet so many new faces, all beaming with hope and joy. The girls of last year are perfectly at home, and we are sure from their past record that they will give the right hand of fellowship to each new girl until she realizes that she is a part of us. Let's

"From all a closer interest flourish up,
Tenderness touch by touch and last of these
Love, like an Alpine harebell hung with tears
By some cold morning glacier trail at first, and feeble, all unconscious of itself,
But such as gathers color day by day."

In this way we'll grow into one large sisterhood, each esteeming others better than herself, thereby we shall be trained in the fullest and sweetest affections. We will cast selfishness to the shades of Pluto its primitive home. More than a hundred years ago Algernon Sidney uttered a prophecy to this effect: "A nation grows great just in proportion as the people making up the nation grow wise enough to do [illegible] duty and bold enough [illegible] rights. We [illegible] helps

ple have grown wise enough to do their duty and bold enough to claim their rights. Our men have grown purer and our women are more cultivated and the outlook of our country is glorious, taking the Girls' Industrial School as a pivot on which the telescope revolves through which we view the world. Does not "the axis of the earth stick out visibly through the center of Montevallo?"

Now girls and young women, what part are we to play in this drama? You have come to us from various homes and schools all over the state. You are going to reflect credit on those dear parents, homes and schools, first by your lady-like demeanor. I'll give you one word that covers it all—Charity.

Do you remember we had a Sunday-school lesson in August on that word which means love? and "charity doth not behave itself unseemly"—i. e, it is courteous.

Of course we have not come here believing that no one knows quite so much or can teach quite so well as our old teacher. Bless your old teacher. We love the whole brotherhood. But we are young, and we'll not be prejudiced. Do you know, girls, that "prejudice is the greatest obstacle to intellectual, social or religious progress? It is prejudging without a hearing: therefore it is the child of self imposed ignorance, and it is said to be strongest where the mind is weak and narrow, yet it always poses in the garb of reason." We will get acquainted with one another, with our teachers and with their methods. We will not live in an atmosphere of egotism, assuming to know all that may be known on the subject; neither will we arrogate to ourselves a monopoly of superior wisdom. But I hear some girl say, "As you are presiding teacher, why not tell us how you are going to control us?" I control you! Why, I expect every young lady to control herself. You'll be placed on your honor, and that means that you will be a womanly woman. We shall earnestly endeavor to be regular, prompt, decorous, successful and moral, all of which will immensely strengthen our will-power. We are here to build character, and education of the will gives self control and decision of character. "Self control from principle is cardinal."

By this culture you will grow self reliant and become admirable women.

"Cultivate good dispositions. Hopefulness, cheerfulness, good nature, sweetness, patience, contentment, joyousness—all go to make up that much desired characteristic

"A singer sang a song of cheer,
And the great world listened and smiled;
For he sang of the love of a father dear
And the trust of a little child;
And the souls that before had forgotten to pray,
Looked up and went singing along the way."

The habit of feeling cheerful and hopeful develops cheerfulness and hope, which enter into a grand life that is always worth living. Baldwyn tells us that an emotion repressed grows weaker, and one who habitually represses her fiery temper acquires self-control." Then he adds: "We must work to a programme The railroad has its time-table, and the school has its program No less does the pupil need to have a systematic plan of work. The programme is a wonderful conservator of mental and physical energy. Working to a program gives tenacity of purpose and greatly strengthens the executive powers which leads to success To accomplish all "we must cultivate the conscience which will give us self-control and lead to [illegible] grandest womanhood and finally [illegible] the companionship of the

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Dry Goods.

This is our pride. We handle only the very best, and sell at the lowest possible price. Anything you want—from 4½ cent calico to the best silks are kept in stock. The ladies are respectfully invited to call and examine this stock.

CLOTHING

We represent the larges[illegible] ing Establishment in this [illegible] besides a large and well a[illegible] stock for you to select from, an[illegible] fit your person or pocket.

SHOES.

Here we can fit peasant or king, rich or poor. We sell them as low as 25 cents per pair, and every pair guaranteed as represented.

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Everything that is kept in th[illegible] larger cities can be found on ou[illegible] counters, and at prices that othe[illegible] dare not attempt.

HARDWARE.

This department is complete, the prices low, the goods the best. Anything from a nail to a steam engine.

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Canned Goods.

We bought a car load of this on[illegible] article, and you can buy at retail [illegible] us for the price others pay whole[illegible] sale.

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You can't mention a thing in this line that cannot be found on our shelves or counters, at prices that cannot be equalled.

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Yes! we carry a full line of Fur[illegible] niture, and pay the spot cash for i[illegible] and can and will save you money Come and examine for yourself

The above are only a few of the many lines [illegible] assorted stock. That we can please [illegible] money, we know from past experie[illegible] pleasure to show our goods, [illegible]

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y Queen Victoria Remembered as Old English Lady.

n old lady in rural England sur-
sed her friends by announcing at
ble one night that she would go to
London in June to see the jubilee pro-
cession. Some of her relatives warned
her of the burdens of age and failing
health, but she would not listen to
their objections.

"I know," she said, "that I am
eighty-three, but I was in Westminster
Abbey when the Queen was crowned,
and I shall go up to London to see the
jubilee parade."

The objectors shifted their ground.
They mentioned the high prices which
windows and platform-seats were al-
ready commanding, and suggested that
she was hardly rich enough to hire
any place along the six-mile route.

"I shall arrange that little detail,"
she replied, confidently. "I shall write
to the Queen about it. She will know
my name, for it is one of the oldest in
England. She will insist upon having
a seat provided for me."

The old lad's enthusiam amused her
friends, but she was wiser than they
were. She wrote a respectful letter to
the queen, relating her good fortune in
having been a witness to the corona-
tion service, and also of the first jubilee
festivities ten years ago, and adding
that although she was 83 and very
feeble, she was bent upon going up to
London and seeing the second jubilee
show.

The letter was sent to Windsor pal-
ace, and was answered by the Queen
herself with little delay. She was
touched by the old lady's anxiety to
witness the parade, and moreover rec-
ognized the name as one which had
come down from the era of the Norman
Conquest. The reply was cordial and
gracious, and was in the Queen's own
hand. She thanked her correspondent
for the loyal interest displayed, and an-
nounced that she had given orders that
a window in Buckingham Palace
should be reserved for her on the day
of the jubilee parade. She hoped that
one of the oldest and most respected of
her subjects would live to occupy a
seat in the window.

When this gracious letter was re-
ceived the old lady was triumphant,
and all her friends were called upon
to rejoice with her.

"I knew," she told them, "that the
Queen had a kind heart, and also a
good memory for a historic name like
mine."

The Queen has a womanly instinct
in such matters. She knew how much
pleasure she could confer upon a
worthy lady of ancient lineage by ex-
ceptional kindness and honor. By
thoughtful and considerate deeds like
this she has endeared herself to her
subjects.—Youth's Companion.

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STATE TOPICS.

Late News Items of General Interest to Alabamians.

EFFECT OF THE DROUTH.

The continued drouth is playing hav-
oc with navigation on the Tennessee
river. The river is lower now than
for fifteen years, and no boats are run-
ning between Florence and Knox-
ville. Boats are tied up all along the
river, and great quantities of merchan-
dise lies at the various landings await-
ing shipment.

A FATAL FALL.

While the residence of J. W. Echols,
at Gurley, was burning Thursday
morning, Dr. J. C. Flynt fell in a dry
well twenty feet deep, and was prob-
ably fatally injured. The top of the
well had burned, and Dr. Flynt fell
through, carrying a mass of flames
down with him. Dr. Flynt is a promi-
nent physician and a distinguished
Mason.

WILL GO TO TUSKEGEE.

Hon. James Wilson, secretary of ag-
riculture, will visit the Tuskegee Nor-
mal and Industrial Institute, Tuske-
gee, of which Booker T. Washington
is founder and principal, Wednesday,
November 17, 1897, for the purpose of
delivering an address at the formal
opening of a new building to be de-
voted to training in agriculture, horti-
culture, dairying, etc. This is the first
building in the negro schools to be
devoted to agricultural purposes.

FIFTH BODY FOUND.

The body of Billy Fairfax, the fifth
miner who perished in the fire in the
Belle Ellen mines in Bibb county, was
recovered Friday.

All the water has not been pumped
out of the mines yet. The body was
found just under the first sheet of
water, and as quickly as possible it
was carried to the outside and buried.
There was no telling how Fairfax had
died, whether from burns or from
smothering. His body had been de-
composed for some time.

DROPPED DEAD AT BIRMING-HAM.

Dr. P. K. McMiller, a justice of the
peace and a well-known citizen of Bir-
mingham, dropped dead in his office
early Thursday morning of apoplexy.
He had been in good health apparent-
ly, and had just come down for his
day's business when the fatal stroke
occurred. Dr. McMiller was nearly 60
years old, and had resided in Birming-
ham for about fifteen years. He was
secretary of the local camp of Con-
federate Veterans for many years.

SHORTAGE IN LANE'S ACCOUNTS

State Examiner Cowan reported to
the Governor Thursday the result of
his investigation of the books and ac-
counts of the department of agricul-
ture during the term of office of ex-
Commissioner Hector D. Lane. The
sum of the report is that Mr. Lane's
chief clerk, Mr. Leslie A. Smith, of
Limestone, has been found to be due
the State $2,750. The amount will be
made good in a few days, as Mr.
Smith has means sufficient to protect
the State from loss, and his bondsmen
are worth many times the amount.

POLITICS IN JEFFERSON.

A call has been issued for a meet-
ing of the county democratic execu-
tive committee for October 9 to re-
ceive the resignation of Hon. John H.
Miller, county chairman, and elect his
successor. Mr. Miller is an avowed
candidate for circuit judge of the
Ninth judicial circuit, and desires to
be released from the committee chair-
manship in order to make his race un-
hampered. The two leading candi-
dates for chairman are Alderman
Henry B. Gray and Dr. J. S. Gillespy,
the former a gold man and the latter
a free silverite.

MATTHEWS COTTON MILL SOLD.

The Matthews cotton mill at Selma,
Ala., a plant which cost $350,000, and
which has been closed for several
months on account of foreclosure pro-
ceedings necessitated by the failure
of the Commercial bank January last,
was sold Friday to Dr. O. F. Cawthon,
of Mobile; Dr. A. W. Cawthorn and
O. H. Cawthorn, of Selma, for $70,200.
The Cawthorns are largely interest-
ed in cotton mills at Stonewall, Miss.,
and other places. They announced
that the mill will be started up in
thirty days, and will be run to their
full capacity. It requires 350 hands
to man the plant.

STATE FINANCES.

The cash in the State strong box
was counted by the Governor and Sec-
retary of State Thursday, the last day
of the fiscal year. The amount on
hand exactly balanced with Treasurer
Ellis' statement.

The following was shown as the con-
dition of the treasury:

Balance September 30, 1896, $58,319.-
... October 1, 1896, to
Mobile and Ohio railroad. Oil mills, lumber mills, cotton factories and other industries are proposed to be established. The company claims to have plenty of financial backing.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

Boats are tied up along the Tennessee river on account of low water.

The Alabama river at Selma is two feet lower than ever before known.

The telephone line connecting Gadsden and Ashville has been completed.

The new rolling mill at Sheffield will soon be under way of construction.

KILLED HIS FRIEND.

Details of a Foul Crime Unearthed in Montgomery.

A murder case rivaling in horrible details the Guildensuppe tragedy has developed at Montgomery.

Oscar Gillis, porter for Marks & Kohn, grocers, and John Glover, butler for Henry Weil, roomed together in an outhouse on Mr. Weil's fashionable residence premises on Perry street, four blocks from the business center.

Two weeks ago Gillis disappeared, and the following day some unknown person telephoned his employers that the porter had gone to visit friends in South Alabama.

Last week Glover left the city without notice.

Friends of Gillis suspected something was wrong, and told the police their suspicions, but the officers, knowing the sensational disposition of the negro, ignored the matter. Some local reporters, however, made a story out of the rumors for the afternoon paper in Montgomery recently. This stirred up interest in the case, and that night reporters and some of Gillis' friends commenced a careful investigation.

It was learned that there had been gambling in Glover and Gillis' room one night about two weeks ago; that Gillis had won, and had several hundred dollars; that Gillis had disappeared; that a negro who had seen Glover several days afterwards digging a deep trench in Weil's garden, was told by Glover that it was intended to bury some weeds and trash; that the negro cook, who occupied a room adjoining Glover's, had seen him lift Gillis' body over the brick division wall one night about a week afterwards, and was told that Gillis had been sick and was being taken to the train.

The investigating party found that the garden had been recently worked and sowed in turnips, but by candle light and with the aid of a fence paling the location of the alleged trash pit was discovered by the looseness of the earth above it.

After industrious digging, Gillis' badly decomposed body was found shortly before 1 o'clock Saturday morning, wrapped in quilts and bound with cord like an Egyptian mummy.

Evidence since obtained indicates that after the card players had gone Glovers crushed his roommate's skull with a bed slat and then cut his throat with a razor. That he then wrapped the body in a quilt and kept it in his room about a week, then dug the hole in the garden, buried it in the dead of night, sowed the ground above it in turnips and left the city for Atlanta.

The police are trying industriously to capture him.

The best acquaintance a man has is the stranger who knows neither good nor bad of him.

A. Chapman and W. R. DeLoach, the present incumbent, have announced for probate judge of Hale county.

It is said that $1,000,000 in checks, registered letters and money orders for Montgomery people is held up in Mobile on account of mail quarantine.

The State convention of the Baptists of Alabama will be held at the East Lake Baptist church beginning Friday, November 12, and running into the following Tuesday.

Governor Johnston wants competent volunteers to attend the waterways convention to meet at Davenport, Ia., October 5. Only one delegate has been appointed—N. H. Sewell, of Bessemer.

J. M. Hardy, of Limestone county, was arrested by revenue officers on Thursday on the charge of counterfeiting, and was committed to jail. He had in his possession a mould for counterfeiting nickels.

The merchants and farmers of Camden and vicinity are suffering serious inconvenience for lack of facilities for shipping cotton. It has been eighteen days since a boat left any wharf in that part of the river on the way to any market.

Wednesday morning Dick B... negro well digger, was o... damp air in an old w... land, which he atte... He fell from t... hauled up a... brought ...

'Herbert Watts is a clever fellow. He couldn't find an umbwellah that would roll tight enough to suit him. What do you suppose he did? "I cawn't imagine." "He had an umbwellah cover made for his cane."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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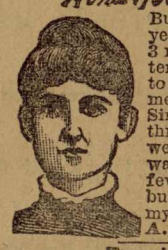

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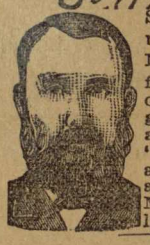

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NEWS SUMMARY.

Current Events of the Day Epitomized.

TOBACCO WAREHOUSES BURN

Negro Lynched for Running Quarantine Gauntlet—Weyler Granting Amnesty to Political Prisoners—Maryland and Virginia Revive Boundary Dispute.

Edward Langtry, the Jersey Lilly's husband, died last Friday.

At Chicago Friday there was one death and two prostrations from heat.

Nine prisoners escaped from the county jail at Brunswick, Ga., Thursday.

The little town of Flat Creek, Tenn., was almost totally destroyed by fire a few days since.

At Camden, N. J., Eli Shaw was arrested for the murder of his mother and grandmother.

Frank Pollard was shot and probably fatally wounded by Will James on the river bank about a mile from Chattanooga.

The Dry Goods Record estimates the cotton crop for 1897-98 from 8,953,788 bales to 9,371,542 bales of 500 pounds each.

Friday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $211,330,575; gold reserve, $150,164,136.

Maud G. Badgley, a clerk in the general land office at Washington, committed suicide Friday by jumping from a bridge.

Mrs. William J. Olmstead, of Troy, N. Y., recently gave birth to four children, two boys and two girls. The children weighed 6½ pounds each.

T. J. Peeples was convicted at Dalton, Ga., Friday for receiving stolen goods from the Bohannon gang, and recommended to the mercy of the court.

Douglas Boult, a negro leader, was lynched at a small settlement about fifteen miles from New Orleans. His offense was running the quarantine gauntlet.

John Armstrong Chanler, the divorced husband of Amelie Rives and great-grandson of John Jacob Astor, is reported to be insane in the Bloomingdale asylum.

Tom Kendall was lynched at Cleveland, Ark., last week for taking part in a race riot recently. He is the third man to meet a violent death as the result of the riot.

General Weyler, the retiring captain-general, of Cuba, has granted amnesty to forty-six more political prisoners, including several women who have been confined on the Isle of Pines.

The president has decided to appoint a special commissioner with plenary powers to carry into effect the reciprocity provisions of section 3 and 4 of the tariff act, approved July 24.

Reinforcements of Spanish troops for Cuba are being hurried forward by the military authorities. About 5,000 additional soldiers will leave Spain for that island before the end of the present month.

The official and unofficial returns of the Indianapolis, Ind., election Thursday show the vote for mayor to be: Taggart democrat, 20,188; Harding republican, 16,180; Taggart's plurality over Harding, 4,008.

Maryland and Virginia have revived the old dispute as to the boundary line between the two states. Governor Lowndes, of Maryland, has informed Governor O'Ferrall that he will proceed to settle the matter.

Seven tobacco warehouses and eight cottages in Durham, N. C., were burned Thursday afternoon entailling a loss of about $400,000, with $200,000 insurance. It was the most destructive fire Durham has known since he big blaze of 1885.

Ex-Senator Robertson died in Columbia, S. C., last week. He was [illegible] South Carolina under the [illegible]ime and was succ[illegible]tor Butler. Mr. [illegible] paralyzed for [illegible]timated to be [illegible].

At Macon, Ga., Constable William Limba, son of a justice of the peace of Powersville, in Houston county, and Barker Amos, colored, fought a desperate duel at the home of Amos, about two miles from Powersville. As the result both men are dead.

It is said that a filibustering expedition, including Jose Lorretto Cespero, an American citizen, and fourteen others, has been landed at the entrance of the river Arimao, province of Santa Clara, and has succeeded in joining the insurgent forces commanded by Regio.

J. Bennett Stanford, who has just returned to London from taking part in an expedition to Somaliland, brings news of the annihilation at the end of June of an Abyssinian army of 3,000 men under the control of the famous Gen. Mackonnen, of which number only 63 men escaped.

A dispatch from Constantinople says that the sultan is making strenuous efforts to obtain the withdrawal of American missionaries from the interior of Asia Minor. If his efforts should be successful the policy of exterminating the Armenians could be accomplished without European witnesses.

The official Gazette at Havana published an edict signed by the military judge calling upon Evangelina Cossio y Cisneros to present herself for a term of fifteen days in jail, and ordering all civil and military authorities to endeavor to apprehend her, and, if captured, to send her to Havana jail.

The international court of arbitration, which is to pass on the British-Venezuela boundary has been completed by the selection of M. Maertens, a distinguished Russian jurist, as umpire, and arrangements are being made for the assembling of the court at Paris during the late summer or fall of next year.

The organization of the greatest combination of window glass manufacturers ever formed in this country was completed at Camden, N. J., last week. It was named the "American Window Glass Company," and is composed of all the factories of the country except half a dozen small concerns. The capital stock of the company was fixed at $1,200,000, but the actual capital represented in the combination aggregates nearly $30,000,000.

ROUGH TIMES IN TENNESSEE.

Negroes and White Caps Have a Pitched Battle.

Levans, Carroll county, Tenn., was the battleground last week for waring factions, and one dead and four probably fatally wounded is the result. A large party of whitecaps went to the home of Dot Prince, a negro, and riddles the doors and windows of his cabin with bullets, breaking his arm in the engagement. The negro, with his arm dangling by his side, reached the window and fired repeatedly into the gang, groans and yells testifying to his deadly aim.

The morning sun disclosed a horrible sight. William Sires, a respected white man, was lying dead in a pool of blood, surrounded by four companions dying from hideous wounds. Three of the wounded men will die.

Intense excitement prevails, and a race war is predicted, as the whitecaps are swearing vengeance on the negroes, who defiantly dare them to do their worst.

The negro Prince is fortified within his cabin and apparently proposes to defend his home to the death.

The whitecaps have notified the negroes to leave the county on several occasions and threats are made to exterminate them if they refuse to leave.

Sires was literally shot to pieces and died instantly.

Split in Two.

A terrible accident occurred at a saw mill, some fifteen or twenty miles from Sparta, Tenn., last Saturday, in which Bud Russell lost his life.

In getting out some heavy timber they were using trucks. It seems that Russell got caught on the carriage somehow, and was carried to the saw, which struck him on the left leg, splitting it, and extending up his body, cut his right breast in two and then crossed to the right side, coming out at the neck. The right and left sides were hurled some distance in opposite directions. The sawyer seemingly knew nothing of it until he saw the pieces flying through the air. Russell was about 30 years old and leaves a wife and one child.

STEAMER SINKS.

Nearly 200 Lives Lost by the Fearful Disaster.

THE SHIP WAS OVERLOADED.

A Number of Spanish Soldiers and Several Civilians Among Those Who Perished—The Sinking Occurred About Eight Miles Off the Cuban Coast.

The coasting steamer Triton, from Havana to Bahia Honda, province of Pinar del Rio, has been wrecked between Dominica and Mariel, on the north coast of Havana province. The steamer went ashore Friday morning during heavy weather, grounding about eight miles from the coast. The purser and one of the passengers have arrived at Mariel. They say they have no knowledge regarding the fate of the captain, fifty passengers, soldiers and civilians, and the thirty members of the crew of the Triton. The missing passengers include several well-known merchants.

The Spanish gunboat Maria Cristina and the tug Louise have left Havana port for the scene of the wreck.

Later—It is now said that the Triton had on board over 200 passengers, soldiers and civilians, and it is feared that they have all perished, in addition to the thirty men composing the steamer's crew.

Owing to the heavy sea that was running the gunboat Christina found it impossible to reach the scene of the disaster until Friday night.

Only the purser of the ship and one passenger were saved.

Among those who were lost were two navy and two army officers, a commissary official and seventy-seven privates.

On board of the Triton was $31,600 in silver to be used for the payment of the Spanish military and naval forces.

The Triton, it is said, was overloaded. She carried a large quantity of ammunition and groceries, and had on board ninety-three rifles for the government troops.

DALTON IS EXCITED.

Prominent Merchants Alleged to Be Participants in Shady Work.

T. R. Ellison, a merchant of Whitfield county, Ga., and John H. Bender, formerly a merchant of Dalton, and son of a wealthy citizen of that city, were both found guilty of receiving stolen goods in the train-robbery cases now on trial at Dalton, Ga.

T. J. Peebles, at present the local agent of the Western & Atlantic railroad at Dalton, is on trial for the same offense. The greatest excitement exists in the little town, as the evidence is being slowly elicited, showing complicity of leading citizens, whether knowingly or not, in the extensive robberies that have been going on for years, and for which the Southern railroad has had to pay large sums to shippers and consignees.

Jesse Langston, convicted Thursday of receiving stolen goods, is a wealthy merchant of Whitfield county. He was fined $750 by the court and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary, conditioned on his paying the fine within the next ten days. His sentence has thrown consternation among the other accused business men, which was greatly emphasized when it was announced that Drew M. Peebles, a leading merchant, member of the city council and candidate for mayor, was found to be missing from the city, and that forfeiture was taken in one case against him.

ENGLAND WILL CONFER.

Experts Start for America to Discuss the Seal Fisheries Question.

The British foreign office Friday intimated to the United States ambassador, Col. John Hay, that a meeting of seal experts of Great Britain, Canada and the United States will occur as agreed upon by the Marquis of Salisbury.

It is learned that Prof. Dancy Thompson, the seal expert of the British foreign [illegible]

YELLOW FEVER SITUATION.

Making Its Appearance in Other Towns On and Near the Coast.

The yellow fever situation at New Orleans is still very critical. Friday the number of cases reported reached high water mark, 48 cases developing on that day, and 3 deaths occurring. Total cases of yellow fever to date; 774; total deaths from yellow fever to date, 84; total cases absolutely recovered, 351; total cases under treatment, 339.

Nineteen at Biloxi.

The board of health of Biloxi reports new cases 19, total cases 374, total deaths 14, now under treatment 89.

Scranton had 9 new cases Friday. No deaths.

McHenry reports 2 new cases.

No new cases have developed at Galveston, the four cases passed on by Dr. Guiteras having recovered.

The situation at Edwards, is growing more favorable, 8 cases having been reported for Friday.

Six suspicious cases at Cayuga have been reported for investigation.

Situation at Mobile.

Only 5 cases were reported at Mobile Friday. The official bulletin issued by the board of health shows that there have been a total of 152 cases in this city, with 21 deaths to date.

Eight cases have been reported at Flomaton, Ala., seventy miles north of Mobile, and 10 at Wager, with 1 death.

THREE KILLED.

Collapse of the Robinson Opera House in Cincinnati.

"The Dangers of a Great City," on the stage ot Robinson's opera house, was cut short in its performance by a tragic realization of the actual dangers of a great city. The house was fairly well filled.

A little before 8:50 o'clock a lady in the audience says she heard a creeping noise, which continued for five minutes before the catastrophe.

Presently the plastering began to fall in small particles at first, but enough to alarm some of the timid or cautious, who retired. A little later the plastering began to shower down in great chunks.

Suddenly, and with a crash, the great central truss of the ceiling, eighty feet long and thirty feet wide, came plunging down. The ends of it struck on the two gallery wings and doubled it up in the center, sending it down into the parquet with a great scattering of joists and timbers. Nothing on the stage was harmed.

There were moans from the injured. The salvage corps with its wagon was first on the ground and it was followed by all the police patrol wagons, who carried the injured to the Cincinnati hospital.

The list at the hospital showed three dead, five dangerously, if not fatally wounded, and twenty-six more or less seriously injured

This disaster recalls one which took place in the same building in Februarry, 1876, when a score or more were killed in a rush to get out of the building on account of a false alarm of fire.

WILL STAND TOGETHER.

Five Brotherhoods Organized Into a Solid Compact.

At a meeting of the representatives of railroad workers at Peoria, Ill., Friday the International Federation of the standard railroad organizations was accomplished. After many years of failure to harmonize, the several orders have reached an agreement which amalgamates and unites them, and creates the greatest and strongest body of organized railroad labor men ever formed.

This task has just been performed by the conference of the grand officers and representatives of the several orders which have been in session in Peoria all this week. The conference was composed of committees representing the following organizations:

Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, Order of Railway Conductors, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and Order of Railroad Telegraphers.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers will [illegible]

ONLY FAIR.

Activity of Merchandise Som[illegible] what Less Pronounced.

WHEAT EXPORTS EXPAN[illegible]

Unseasonable Weather Has Had an Uni[illegible] vorable Influence on the Distribution Merchandise—Indications of a Smal[illegible] Cotton Yield Than Previously Compile[illegible]

Bradstreet's trade review says:

The activity in staple lines of me[illegible] chandise is less pronounced than [illegible] month ago, due to interior merchan[illegible] having supplied their demands for t[illegible] time, a gradual increase of the terr[illegible] tory included by the yellow fev[illegible] quarantine, the low price of cotton, [illegible] tendency in the Missouri river valle[illegible] and spring wheat states to hold whea[illegible] for higher prices and the farmer[illegible] being busy with fall planting.

Higher prices have an unfavorabl[illegible] influence on the distribution of mer[illegible] chandise throughout the central wes[illegible] and at Chicago and St. Louis sale[illegible] have fallen off.

A well known representative o[illegible] Bradstreet's, after extended investiga[illegible] tion, gives reasons for anticipating [illegible] much smaller yield of cotton tha[illegible] trade requirements indicates. H[illegible] looks for the Texas crop not to exceed[illegible] 2,000,000 bales, or less than last year, while the Missouri valley will produce[illegible] less than an average crop and Arkansas be in less favorable situation than last year. The long and severe drought of the latter part of the season, he says, destroyed all hope of a top crop and will materially cut short the latter yield.

The position of the cotton goods industry is no more favorable, but Fall River manufacturers report business brisk, prices steady and unwillingness by merchants to accept further orders.

Advances of Bessemer are reported. Pig iron and steel billets meet with quick sales, but prices are firmly held. Some steel mills are not able to keep up with orders. The domestic consumption of pig iron last month was extraordinarily heavy and promises to greatly stimulate production.

With the slackening off in the rate of distribution of merchandise the upward movement of prices is correspondingly checked, and in this the third week in succession, the number of staples for which quotations are lower are greater than those that are higher or unchanged. There are nominal advances for lard and men's shoes, but prices for pork, sugar, other forms of iron and steel than those named, for [illegible] lumber, coal, hide[illegible] changed. Quotati[illegible] butter, potatoes, w[illegible] flour, beef, coffee, co[illegible] and lead.

Wheat exports [illegible] the total for th[illegible] among the larg[illegible] total exports of [illegible] as wheat) this week [illegible] the United States aggreg[illegible],720 bushels, against 4,825,641 bushels last week, 4,156,817 bushels in this week a year ago, 2,409,000 bushels in 1895, 3,192,000 bushels in 1894, 2,709,000 bushels in 1893 and 3,270,000 bushels in 1892.

Corn exports were 2,224,000 bushels this week, against 2,109,000 last week, 1,711,000 bushels a year ago, 1,680,000 bushels in 1895, 113,553 bushels in 1894, 1,123,000 bushels in 1893 and 701,000 bushels in 1892.

There are 196 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 237 last week, 279 in the week a year ago, 289 two years ago, 253 three years ago and 340 four years ago.

There are 44 business failures reported throughout the Dominion of Canada this week, compared with 45 last week, 30 in the week a year ago and 37 two years ago.

Where Love Has Lingered.

Benjamin F. Hunt, a former resident of Rochester, N. Y., now in his 85th year, is about to wed Mrs. Jul[illegible] A. Sherman of W[illegible]

of our moral natures, and our rence for God. It confounds all ideas of justice, goodness and titude. It offends the ears of our earthly friends, God's holiest loveliest men and women, and ds a thrill of anguish through ir hearts. It is opposed to all as of courtesy, to all rules of po- ness, and to all regulations for ntlemanly behavior.

Therefore let us not fail to attire r thoughts in the most pure and steful garments, and adorn them ith the most refined beauties of nguage.

"Thou shalt not take the name of e Lord thy God in vain: for the ord will not hold him guiltless that keth his name in vain."—Ex. 20:7.

JAMES M. BENTON, JR.

April 25th, 1897.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

The Age-Herald improves with every issue.

What's the matter with the Sunny Southland?

The Columbiana Chronicle is up to date—it looks like prosperity.

The Shelby Sentinel has enlarged. Bro. Graham gets up a good paper.

BLOCTON ITEMS.

Cotton is still declining in price.

Last Saturday was pay-day at Belle Ellen.

Why can't West Blocton get a postoffice?

Died, in Centreville, on Saturday last, Mrs. J. T. Casey.

Mr. John Quinn, of Woodstock, called to see us this week.

Mr. L. P. Wallace, of River Bend, called to see us this week.

William Canterberry, of Vance was in town a few days since.

We regret to learn of the serious illness of W. W. Yeager, of Centreville.

Messrs. Burgess Little and Dennis Mitchell, of Montevallo, spent last Sunday with home folks in Blocton.

Died, near Blocton, on the 14th inst., of typhoid fever, Mr. Judge Miller. He was only in the bloom of life.

We are glad to state that the little child of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dyer, who has been sick so long, is improving.

...don't our commissioners ...nce a dwelling house ...other counties have sheriffs?

...roner Walters, why ... the verdict of the ...lle Ellen fire? Are ...tewash?

...n to subscribe for the News-Herald and get a nice family Bible or five of the best novels for $1.00. This is a good offer.

Cotton still comes in, although the price is very low. Our merchants pay more for cotton than any merchants in the county.

Mr. Ben Hoskins, of Aldrich, has accepted a position with Miller & Co., on the new railroad as commissary clerk. Ben is a good business man.

Sheriff Vance went up to Birmingham Friday and brought back Will Kimbrell, who is charged with numerous high crimes and misdemeanors.

The Southern railroad company have commenced putting in two new iron bridges east of here on Coperas creek, between Blocton and ...their line.

Died, in River Bend, on Monday last, a daughter of Mr. D. L. McKinney. Mr. McKinney's friends sympathize with him in the loss he and his family sustained.

Messrs Jas Bass, E D. Reynolds and W. J. Loveland went down to Faunsdale to be present at the marriage of S J. Morgan and Miss Margaret Walker on Wednesday last.

It seems from our directory that outside of the Tenn, Coal, Iron & R. R. Co. there is no store outside of Suttletown. Well, we guess that is correct. We go by what we see advertised in our home paper.

The subscription list of the News-Herald is growing fast. A single trip of the editor to Six Mile, Centreville, and Jamesville resulted in twenty-five new cash subscribers. Every one of them received an elegant family Bible, free, as a premium

A Few Prices
—AT THE—
Racket : Store.

Pins, per paper,	3 cents.
Thread, per spool,	3 "
7 inch Rubber Combs,	7 "
Toilet Soaps, per cake,	4 "
Collar Buttons, per card,	3 "
" " gold, each,	5 "
Silk Watch Guards, worth 50c,	17 "
Day Books, worth 5 cents,	1 "
Envelopes per pack,	4 "
Note Paper, per quire,	3 "
Paper and Envelopes, per box,	9 "
Tablets, 60 pages,	2 "
Pencils,	1 "
Pens, best Falcon, per dozen,	8 "
Tin Milk Pans,	4 "
Wash Pans,	5 "
Cake Pans,	9 "
8 qt. Dish Pans, regular price 25,	12 "
2 quart Coffee Pots,	8 "
8 inch Steel Fry Pans,	15 "
Dippers, worth 15 cents,	5 "
Milk Strainers,	10 "
Corsets, worth 75 cents,	37 "
Handkerchiefs, worth 10c,	3 "
" best,	5 "
Towels, worth 15 cents,	5 "
Suspenders, regular price 25c,	17 "
Men's Socks, 10c. grade,	5 "
Ladies' Hose, worth 20c,	7 "
Children's Hose, best,	10 "

Everything Else Equally Reasonable.

I Do All Kinds of Watch Work.

I will clean any Watch for	$1 00
Put in any Mainspring,	1 00
Balance Staffs, any kind,	1 50
Case Springs,	50 cents.
Crystals,	15 to 50 "
Hands, each,	15 "

Yours for Bargains,

The Racket,
J. W. MARTIN, Proprietor,
MONTEVALLO, - - ALA.

TO THE PUBLIC.

I take this method of informing the citizens of Montevallo and vicinity that I am now prepared to do all kinds of contract and carpenter work. Satisfaction guaranteed, or no charges made. Before closing any trade call and see me at the store of H. C. & W. B. Reynolds. Respectfully,
W. J. RHODES.

FELIX DOTSON.
THE FIRST-CLASS BARBER,
Montevallo, Alabama.
Ladies' and children's hair dressing a specialty. Work solicited.

CARY & LOVING,
Attorneys at Law,
CENTREVILLE & MONTEVALLO.
Will practice in all the courts of the State.

E. S. LYMAN,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
MONTEVALLO, - - ALA.

THE BRICK HOTEL,
St. George,
ALEX. A. WALL, Prop.
Montevallo, - - - Ala.
Now, and Centrally Located.
Special attention given the commercial man.

KLONDYKE GOLD!

Is surmounted by untold dangers that appall the stoutest hearts, but

Gold, Silver or Greenbacks!

And a small amount of either will get more goods and better goods at our store than any establishment South.

Our lines are full and complete, and are bought in car load lots, FOR CASH. We cannot and will not let others sell for less money than we do.

A few of our Departments and the Goods Therein:

Dry Goods.

This is our pride. We handle only the very best, and sell at the lowest possible price. Anything you want—from 4½ cent calico to the best silks are kept in stock. The ladies are respectfully invited to call and examine this stock.

NOTIONS.

Oh! yes, we carry notions, and more notions than we want. They are here, and don't forget the prices on Notions are WAY, WAY DOWN.

CLOTHING.

We represent the largest Tailoring Establishment in this country, besides a large and well assorted stock for you to select from, and can fit your person or pocket.

SHOES.

Here we can fit peasant or king, rich or poor. We sell them as low as 25 cents per pair, and every pair guaranteed as represented.

HATS.

The latest styles, the latest prices, is the motto of this department. Come and see them and you will be convinced.

Underwear.

Everything that is kept in the larger cities can be found on our counters, and at prices that others dare not attempt.

HARDWARE.

This department is complete, the prices low, the goods the best. Anything from a nail to a steam engine.

HARNESS.

Saddles, Bridles, Harness, Whips and Blankets of every description are here, and at prices that for lowness will surprise you.

Canned Goods.

We bought a car load of this one article, and you can buy at retail of us for the price others pay whole sale.

Crockery.

You can't mention a thing in this line that cannot be found on our shelves or counters, at prices that cannot be equalled.

Furniture.

Yes! we carry a full line of Furniture, and pay the spot cash for it, and can and will save you money. Come and examine for yourself.

Trunks and Valises

All sizes, all kinds, and waiting for your inspection for you to purchase one. The price is right.

The above are ony a few of the many lines that we carry in our well assorted stock. That we can please you and save you money, we know from past experience. It is a pleasure to show our goods, and the

...West

Directory.

CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor—preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. W. Lyman, Supt. Prayermeeting every Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 P.M. Ladies Aid Society meets at 4 P. M. on Monday after the 2d and 4th Sunday.

METHODIST —Rev. L. P. Abernathy, pastor Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 A. M., S. H. McCauly, Supt. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 P.M

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A F & A M—Meets on Saturday nights before first full moon in each month.
J. ALEX. MOORE, W, M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights in each month.
C. F. ROBBINS, C. C.
G. B. MONROE, K. of R. & S.

Knights of Honor—Meets the second and fourth Tuesday nights in every month. GEO. B. MORRIS, Dictator.
E. S. LYMAN, Reporter.

Rates of Subcription.

One year, cash in advance,.....$1.00
Six months, cash in advance,.....50
Three months, cash in advance,.....25

Local.

Mr. Rogan is a favorite with the girls.

A nice line of stationery, cheap at J. W. Martin's.

John Ingram of Calera visited Montevallo Sunday.

Overshoes at Reynolds from 15 to 50 cents per pair.

Will Perry has accepted a position with Meroney & Co.

Leave your laundry at Rogan's.

Mr. Sam Morgan of Blocton was in town Monday.

Fresh bread every day at Rogan's.

Mr. Frank Kroell has several fine horses for sale.

Paper and envelopes 9 cents a box at J. W. Martin's.

Read what Newton & Nolen, the hatters, have to say.

Rogan keeps a nice line of cakes.

Burgess Little visited his "grandmother" in Blocton Sunday.

Peanut brittles at Rogan's. Try them.

WANTED—A pair of good mules, Apply at NEWS office.

Just received, a lot of fresh grapes at Rogan's.

If you have land to sell it will pay you to see us before selling.

Fancy candy from 10 to 80 cents per pound, at Rogan's.

Mr. Geo. Kroell keeps the best of everything, so the ladies tell us.

I sell Coats thread 4 cents per spool. J. W. Martin.

We want some young lady to write the school news for us.

Mr. T. A. Best says we will have home baked bread soon.

Three well attended services in Montevallo last Sunday morning.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Prof. Ruffin received his fine mare from Cleveland, Tenn., Saturday.

Miss Addie Banks, of Cleveland, Tenn., is visiting Mrs M. C. Banks.

Girls, when you want ribbon, remember we are the people. H C & W B Reynolds.

Mr. D. C. Savage came up Sunday and spent the day with his family.

Capt. C. C. Vandegrift is finishing one of the prettiest residences in the town.

...my is your best friend. ...ticisms and strengthen ...nts.

...me of the girls say ...ney & Co.

A complete line of ladies' and gents' mackintoshes—prices to suit all purses—at Reynolds.

Morgan Bros.' store is always crowded. They sell lots of goods, "and don't you forget it."

President Reynolds has everything running smoothly now. Everything is organized and working nicely.

If you want to see a pretty sight, take a half holiday and go up and see how the girls are getting along.

Mrs M. C. Banks has just returned from Cleveland, Tenn., where she has been visiting friends.

The Montevallo Lime Company had a little misfortue this week—their kiln fell in. We are sorry, boys.

Fire has been in the woods east of town for several days. Fences have been in danger—a few have burnt.

Elders W. P. Peden and G. W. Kerr, of Pickens county, visited the family of Elder James G. Thornton last week.

Ed Stores, a negro sport, got himself into trouble by letting a hog take up with him. He sold the hog to Mr. Banks.

Just received, at Reynolds', a handsome line of stationery at prices never before equalled. Box paper from 3 cents to 45 cents per box.

We haven't been able to get a list of the girls—they haven't all regersted yet. We will have a directory as soon as we can get the names.

There are, no doubt, some good amateur musicians among the Polytechnic girls. If not presuming too much we would suggest the organization of a string band.

We send out a good many copies regularly to people who have not subscribed. If you receive the paper we expect pay. If you don't want it, please notify us.

Read the advertisement of D. J. Moreland in another column. He can repair anything from a bycicle to a steam engine, and guarantees satisfaction in every instance.

A jolly crowd of gusts accompanied bridegroom Morgan southward on Tuesday evening. In it were E D. Reynolds of Blocton, Frank West, W. B. Reynolds and Geo. Morgan.

H C & W B Reynolds have just closed a deal for 719 yards of all silk velvet in the latest shades, at one fourth of actual cost. You can take choice of the entire lot for 29 cents per yard.

We call the attention of our readers to the card of W. J. Rhodes, to be found elsewhere. Mr. Rhodes is a practical workman and any one engaging his services can rest assured their work will be well done.

H. C. & W. B. Reynolds know the value of printer's ink. They know it pays to advertise, and they do advertise. You won't find them asleep. They keep up with, if not in front of, the procession.

Superintendent Moore, of Blocton, is as good a manager and as satisfactory a superintendent as any company ever had. The Tennessee company could hardly have found a better man for this position.

You will notice that Montevallo merchants advertise. That proves they are up to date. They take some pride in their town. We have every firm in town except one, and we expect them to advertise soon.

President Reynolds has accomplished wonders in the last few months. We don't think any other man could have filled his place. We know he will make our school the best in the south. If he don't, it won't be his fault.

Snake ...

We offer special inducements to boarding houses. We will give, free of charge, a quart bottle of hair restorative (our own make) if we cannot demonstrate to you that we can save you money on all groceries. Give us an order and be convinced. H C & W B Reynolds.

Mike Kelley, a "Wandering Willie," called on us recently and left the following lines. We are pleased to state, however, that Mr. Kelley has gone to his winter quarters.

The Calera girls have got the blues,
The Dogwood girls can't afford new shoes;
The Brierfield girls don't treat us right,
But the Montevallo girls are out of sight.

Mr. J. S. Ogletree, of Blocton, was in town Monday. He saw from a small local ad. that a dairy was needed in Montevallo, so he came over to see about it. He went out to look at Mr. Vandegrift's farm, and was very much pleased with the location. Mr. Ogletree thinks he will locate here.

MAYLENE ITEMS.

Our town has a nice string band.

The health of our town is very good at this time.

The mines at this place are running on full time.

Mr. John Hunter is visiting friends in Florida.

Mr. Festus Caddell is visiting friends in Blocton.

We think there will be another wedding in our town soon.

Miss Nannie Fulton, is visiting friends at Sagina this week.

R. L. Rice, of the Blocton News-Herald, called to see us last week.

Miss Carrie Hunter, a most charming belle, is visiting relatives in Georgia.

Miss Mamie Gentry, of Aldrich, is visiting friends and relatives in our town.

Our friend, Mr. Townsend, of the Tuscaloosa Marble Works, called to see us last week.

We are glad to announce that Mrs. Frank Weaver, who has been ill for some time, is improving.

Married, at Maylene, last week, at the residence of the bride's father. Miss Maylene Ingram and Mr. John Liddcout, of Bessemer.

DIXIE.

J. M. REYNOLDS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
MONTEVALLO, - - - ALA.

DUKE CIGARETTES

MADE FROM
High Grade Tobacco
AND
ABSOLUTELY PURE

B. B. B. Always Cures.
Botanic Blood Balm

The Great Remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Scrofula, Rheumatism, Catarrh, Ulcers, Eczema, Eating and Spreading Sores, Eruptions, and all SKIN AND BLOOD DISEASES. Made from the prescription of an eminent physician who used it with marvelous success for 40 years, and its continued use for fifteen years by thousands of grateful people has demonstrated that it is by far the best building up Tonic and Blood Purifier ever offered to the world. It makes new rich blood, and possesses almost miraculous healing properties.

WRITE FOR BOOK OF WONDERFUL CURES, sent free on application.

If not kept by your local druggist, send $1.00 for a large bottle, or $5.00 for six bottles, and medicine will be sent freight paid by
BLOOD BALM CO., Atlanta, Ga.

THE DICTIONARY HOLDER

Did you ever learn what fabulous results grew out of the manufacture by Mr. Noyes of an ornamental stand to hold the dictionary? The story reads like a fable, but to tell it one must tell another question: Have you ever noticed the advertisement of the Aermotor Company, which starts out as follows:

45 sold in '88
2,280 sold in '89
6,268 sold in '90
20,040 sold in '91
60,000 will be sold in '92

A Steel Windmill and Steel Tower every 2 minutes. These figures tell the story of the ever-growing, ever-going, everlasting Steel Aermotor. Where one goes others follow, and we "Take the Country."

Yet that establishment belongs to La Verne W. Noyes, and the means with which it was built up until it is the third largest manufactory in the West—and is exceeded by two of the great Harvester companies—was wholly furnished by the Dictionary Holder business. This brings us back to the Holder, and suggests inquiry as to how it does and how it still holds the field, increasing rapidly from year to year.

The secret of that success is this: Mr. Noyes has made a most perfect, attractive, artistic article, and has maintained a high standard of excellence and supplied the article at a low price. The merit of these Dictionary Holders has been so great that they literally sold themselves, and in such great quantities that a small profit on each one has made the result above mentioned.

They have gone to almost every habitable portion of the globe, even to the remote islands of the sea, and are kept by all booksellers.

ALWAYS :- LEADING!

C. L. MERONEY & Co.

Are the First in Public Improvements.

First in Lowering Prices to meet the Poor Man's Dollar!

And the last to raise prices on an advancing market.

We sell everything you want with but one motto:

Full Value for Every Cent You Spend With Us.

WE WANT YOUR TRADE

Remember We Are in Our Handsome New Brick Store.

Yours to Please,

C. L. Meroney and Co.

Shelby County Bank

Get Fixed a...
Have a Practical W...
D. J. M...
Can Re...
From a Bicycle
He Does All K...
SATISFACTIO...
Don't forget that J. D. Moreland ...
Try him, Low prices, good work.

DO YO...
If so, You ...
You Will Find Everything ...
WE BUY COT...
NE...

"Do Unto Others as ... Unto You,"
H. C. & W. B. Reyn...
—THERE ...
CLOVES AND SPICE, ...
RUBIFO...
LI...
Rose Water
MENNEN'S TA...
Gilt Edge Shoe Po...
Bromo...
Permanganate of...

If You Are Not...
By Bu...
CANDIES, FRUITS, ...
—F...
F. W. R...
He Keeps Constantly on Han... Candies from the W...
Peanut Britte and a...
Fancy Candy from 10...
A Well Selected and ...
THESE GOODS SIMPLY ...
Fresh Bread ...
Laundry Every...
If you are not sweet get sweet...

DO YOU W...
WELL, WE ...
BANKS...
Hand-made Bricks Are...
We do all kin... and always kee...

Gladstone's Career Equaled.

Mr. Gladstone, who celebrated his 87th birthday on the 29th of December, is younger than a former American Congressman and Cabinet minister whose old age is as vigorous as that of the great English statesman. Col. Richard W. Thompson, of Terre Haute, Ind., who was a Whig leader in the days of Jackson and Clay, who was the close friend of Lincoln, and who served as Secretary of the Navy under Hayes, will be 88 if he lives to the 9th of next June.

If, instead of being influenced by a hazy and undefined feeling, we bring clear thought to bear upon it, we shall find that the only supreme and final test of conduct must ever be the convictions which we hold at the time.

Not whether any other person or the whole world approve or disapprove, nor even whether we may or may not continue in future years to maintain them ourselves, must be our question, but whether at the present moment we believe in our inmost heart that such a course is the true and right one to pursue.

If this be not our guide—if any other voice, opposing that of conscience, be obeyed—then we act in defiance of our own moral sense, which is plainly the snapping of character.

Coining of Silver.

The common impression that the government is coining no silver is a mistake. The coinage of silver is still continued, although by the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act no bullion is now purchased by the government for use in coinage, there being on hand November 1, 1893, the enormous stock of 140,699,852.67 ounces.

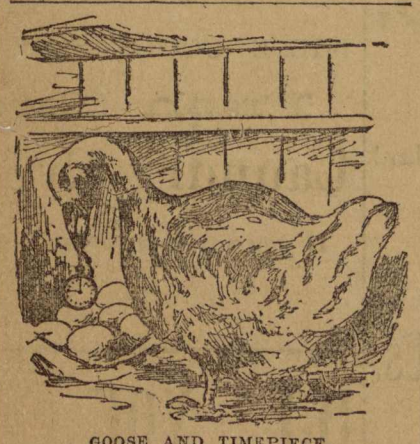
Animals and the Weather.

Many naturalists insist that animals have a special sense which enables them to foresee approaching changes in the weather and conduct themselves accordingly. Hens, ducks and geese are well known to make preparations for rain, and hours before the change is apparent to human beings these creatures may be seen oiling and dressing their plumage. Pigs frequently prepare a shelter for themselves before a storm; a pig carrying a mouthful of straw is to the farmer a sure sign of rain. Dogs and horses exhibit unusual lassitude before rain, and the cat washing her face is, among housewives, a certain sign. The croaking of the "rain crow" is considered, in the country districts, as an indication of bad weather, while even ants and bees, when rain is approaching, seek their homes, the former retiring to their holes and closing the entrance, while the latter hurry to their hives as though conscious that danger was in the air.

A PECULATING GOOSE.

Carried Off a Gold Watch, and Got Servant in Trouble.

It is doubtful is another dumb animal ever caused greater mischief than a goose did recently in Lanesboro, N. Y. That goose stole a dozen valuable articles and brought about the discharge of a servant. For a long time the family of Mr. Albert Jenks has been missing valuables, and charged their disappearance to Miss Annie Coogan, a domestic. The girl was threatened with arrest to make her confess and when she protested her innocence she was discharged. As articles continued to disappear the famliy was in a quandary. A pet goose had a trick of knocking at the door in quest of dainties, and on being admitted would go all about the house. One afternoon recently Mrs. Jenks was amazed to see the goose take a gold watch and chain in its mouth and go outdoors. She followed and saw it hide the timepiece in its nest. Thus the mystery of the missing articles was explained. Among the dozen articles found in the nest were two gold thimbles, two scarfpins, a tortoise shell comb and a watch. The parents of the Coogan girl threaten to sue the Jenks for defaming their daughter's



GOOSE AND TIMEPIECE.

ALABAMA NEWS ITEMS.

Happenings of a Week Throughout Our Commonwealth.

Killed While Coupling Cars.

W. N. Waddell, of Opelika, was killed by a freight train at LaGrange, Ga., Saturday. He was a flagman and in coupling cars was knocked down and both legs severed from his body, and death quickly followed.

Fair Grounds Attached.

Saturday Sheriff O'Brien attached for debt all the lands, buildings, etc., composing the State Fair grounds, which are situated on the Birmingham & Bessemer railroad. The attachment was made on a writ sued out in the city court by Thomas G. Hewlitt against Hayden Dargin for $15,000.

Students Break Up an Institute.

The sale of the lands and building of the Alabama Mineral academy, at Huntsville, recently under a decree of the chancery court to Captain Milton Humes was continued Friday. The academy had a metoric career several years ago, and while its prospects were brilliant for becoming a great institution, was broken up by a rebellion of students.

Lands for Northern Farmers.

John M. Green, of Chicago, general manager of the South Alabama Emigration and Development company has purchased a large tract of land located in Baldwin county from Messrs. Abbert, Samuel and Edgar Adler, of Birmingham. Mr. Green said it was the intention of the company to induce Northern farmers to remove to the South and settle on these lands.

Birmingham Quarantines Montgomery.

Birmingham has quarantined Montgomery. This action was taken at a special meeting of the city council held Saturday morning, and it was taken because of the report that suspicious cases of sickness, which it is thought may possibly be yellow fever, prevailed in the Capital city. The following places have also quarantined against Montgomery, Selma, Eufaula, Union Springs, Prattville, Ozark, Troy, Dothan and Columbus, Ga.

A Horrible Death.

Dr. Timothy Burke of Lowndes county, left Montgomery Thursday afternoon on the Hayneville macadamized road for his home at Hayneville, driving a mule to a buggy. As he was crossing the track of the Midland road a few miles west of the city his vehicle was truck by a gravel train and Dr. Burke was thrown upon the track and cut half in two by the wheels of the loaded cars. The mule was killed and the buggy demolished.

Will Make the Final Survey.

Colonel R. T. Barksdale, chief engineer of the Atlanta & Alabama Air Line, has located his camp three miles from Selma, preparatory to making the final survey, and work will be commenced immediately on the completion of the $100,000 subscription from the citizens of Selma. All but $11,000 of this amount has been subscribed and leading citizens are hustling to raise that amount. The first car load of grading tools has arrived and work is expected to begin on the 25th instant. The road is projected from Atlanta to Selma with New Orleans as its ultimate southern terminus.

Lawlessness in Dallas.

Lawlessness runs rampant near Richmond, in the southern end of Dallas county. Several months since West Ethridge rode up behind Allie Coleman, a wealthy farmer, and blew the top of his head off with a double barrel shotgun. He has managed to elude arrest. Later, Barrett Duckworth, Coleman's body servant, was assassinated in his house, and public opinion laid the crime at Ethridge's hands. A month ago Shelley Sumner, a nephew of Ethridge, was killed by Charles Nelson, a relative of Duckworth. Thursday night Frank Banks, a cousin of Nelson, was shot from the darkness while standing in the door of his home. All of the murders are thought to have grown out of the Ethridge-Coleman killing. Not an arrest has so far been made, although officers have made repeated raids. It is stated that a prominent citizen of the neighborhood, who has condemned the lawlessness, has had his life threatened.

A Refugee Train Wrecked.

Friday the regular passenger train running since the quarantine on the Mobile & Birmingham railroad between Thomasville and Selma, was totally wrecked between Eleanor and Safford, about twenty-five miles from Selma. There is no turn-table at Thomasville, and the engine was backing into the city pulling the baggage

Celebration of Alabama Day.

Governor Johnson has issued a proclamation, in which he calls on the people of the state to attend the Nashville Centennial on Alabama Day, the 22, and make that day a brilliant one. He reminds the people that the Centennial management have extended every courtesy to Alabama and has furnished the state a splendid opportunity to advertise its matchless resources. He suggests that Alabamians should show their appreciation by celebrating Alabama Day with enthusiasm and numbers worthy of their state.

Briefly Noted.

Bill Gambrill, in a difficulty at Finson, was shot and killed by a negro, last week.

James W. McCrary, a prominent merchant of Greensboro, died Thursday, aged 77.

Farmers in the vicinity of Ozark are preparing to plant from two to twenty acres of wheat each this fall.

Sam Fields, colored, who shot and killed his wife last July, was convicted last Thursday and sentenced to be hanged.

Montgomery has closed her pest house, all cases of smallpox having been discharged and no suspicious cases remaining in the city.

Will Hunter, the desperate negro convict, who escaped from Pratt Mines last week, was shot and captured at Warrior by Marshal Blackburn.

Judge Alex Boarman arrived in Birmingham from Washington last Thursday, and the United States Circuit and District court was opened Friday.

Hon. Charles A. Whitten has received his commission as chief enumerator to retake the Lowndes county school census under the special law of 1896 and 1897.

In case the yellow fever reports should prove true at Montgomery, the governor will be forced to temporarily locate the executive office of the state in Birmingham.

About noon Thursday E. P. Lacy, a grandson of Senator Pettus, and his private secretary, while out hunting was accidentally shot in the left arm, a wound being inflicted which necessitated amputation.

Captain Beckert, of the Government Secret Service, aided by a detective, last week captured and arrested, ten miles south of Tuscumbia, John Clakely and William Hooper, charged with making and circulating counterfeit silver money.

The Jefferson Volunteers, Birmingham Rifles and Troop D, will, in all probability go to Nashville on Alabama Day. It is expected that they will carry forty men each and will possibly be accompanied by the Bessemer Rifles and the Huey Guards.

Montgomery had a yellow fever scare the past week. The board of health met and made the following statement regarding the suspicious cases: After a careful analysis of the symptoms of the few cases reported as suspicious, there is not a case that is at all typical of yellow fever and not a single case is seriously sick.

Four Daring Burglars Arrested.

Chief of Detectives Colleran and four of his men, at Chicago, Ill., have effected one of the most important captures of criminals reported for years past. As a result of the efforts of the officers four of the most successful and daring burglars of the United States and Canada are under arrest and $25,000 worth of stolen property is in the hands of the police awaiting identification.

The men under arrest are "Sheeney Joe" Rubenstein, the leader and brains of the gang; James Williams, Harry Rogers and James Flaherty.

Letters in the men's possession which have passed between them showed they had been taking a flying trip from coast to coast, robbing right and left.

The Review of Reviews says that Editor Stead, while in Washington recently, learned that unless the sealing question was settled speedily the United States will order the destruction next session of the whole herd of seals on the Pribyloff islands.

When "The Girl From Paris" and her company went to the Montgomery depot to take the train for Selma they were prevented from going by quarantine regulations. Instead of bewailing their misfortune they spontaneously burst into song and an impromptu open air concert on the depot platform elicited great applause from the by-standers.

Arbitration Prospects.

There is a good prospect of the speedy conclusion of a general arbitration treaty between Great Britain and the United States. There is reason to believe President McKinley will propose a clause in the treaty providing that before any subject is finally referred to the court of arbitration such reference shall be approved by

HE WAS A BRILLLANT CLERK.

How a Virginia Prodigy Gave a 10 Per Cent. Discount.

I once had a promising bud of genius in my store down on the James River, said a Virginian to a reporter. I keep a general store there, and this bud, that promised to bloom into seven kinds of a loo loo flower, came to me from the far end of Prince George County, on the introduction of a friend of mine and his, who said as he wasn't good for anything else, perhaps he might be made handy in a store. I took him, just to be accommodating, of course, and promised to give him a chance to rise.

He was about 19 years old, and wrote poetry between times, so I put him to sweeping out as a starter. He could sweep well enough, and after a week I put him to doing the chores, and advised him to study the stock while he was resting.

After about six weeks of this kind of training I concluded he knew enough to take charge of my scrap counter, which was a counter where I put all my old stuff about every sixty days, with the most of it marked in big figures and with the additional information to those looking for bargains that there would be 10 off for cash.

Trade was lively the morning I put him at it, and he was doing as well, if not better, than the more experienced clerks, for I noticed several people getting around his way and getting out pretty quick with what they had bought. I didn't think much about the whys and wherefores until the young fellow came to me at the desk with a suit of clothes in his hands to ask me to explain something. The suit bore a large white card inscribed with a big black "$8."

"I don't quite understand this," says he. "The others I sold were marked $10.75, $11.50, $11.98, $12 and $12.48, and it was easy enough to calculate what 10 off would be and sell them for 75 cents, $1.50, $1.98, $2 and $2.48, but I'll be doggoned if I see how you're going to throw $10 off of an $8 suit, unless you want to give the customer $2, and I reckon you ain't that liberal, even at the scrap counter, are you?"

It mighty near gave me a spasm, that did, concluded the gentleman, and I put another clerk at my discount counter p. d. q.

A doctor, writing on the subject of the suppression of useless noises in cities, which he claims will hasten toward convalescence many a patient whose nerves are now too racked by perpetual racket to give the system a chance of recuperating, says he remembers one delightful ward in his training school wherein the "sister" used to insist on a "silent hour," from 2:30 to 3:30 daily. It was the only ward in the hospital which enforced this golden rule, alike beneficial to the nurses fortunate enough to be drafted there and the patients therein, who flourished and blossomed forth into amazing convalescence under the silence system and the good nursing which accompanied it. For the "sister" was a born nurse, and she had the real sympathy and womanliness which caused her to appreciate the balm and healing of that one quiet hour in the day.

It was a male surgical ward, and the patients, on first admission, used to chafe somewhat at "sister's" dictum—against which there was no appeal—of "no conversation or newspaper reading during the hour." But gradually each patient came to appreciate the soothing lull in the busy hum of the ward, and "sister" and her staff used to watch with satisfaction how patient after patient fell gradually under the soporific quiet of the time, and went off into comfortable sleep, which frequently lasted long after the prescribed limit. The good humor of the ward was most exceptional.

The senior surgeon of the hospital was never tired of saying, "The patients here, sister, get on as if by magic. What spells of witchcraft do you weave to heal them so quickly?"—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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John L. Brown

Shellman, Ga., writes: I have used Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine 15 years. It cured me of Torpid Liver, Indigestion, Nervousness and Sleeplessness. It cured my Wife of a Female Complaint. My two Aunts have been greatly benefited by it in their old age. Have used "Black Draught" but think Dr. M. A. S. L. M. far superior to it.

Skin and Eyes Yellow.

This disorder finds its direct cause in some derangement in the liver and its closely allied glands. The bile, instead of passing out through the bowels, has been obstructed, and finding no outlet through its usual channels, has accumulated and been taken up by the absorbents and distributed over the system, poisoning the blood and disturbing all the functions of the body. In the treatment of this disease, Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine should be taken night and morning until the complexion becomes clear.

Spurn Frauds that court you for your money. The imitations that try to take the place of the Original Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, while by interested dealers sold as "the same," are advertised as "not the same," and you may be courted and deceived for your money at the expense of your health. Beware!

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Ohio is to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of its existence as a State with an exposition in 1903.

"Providence permitting, and unless the bottom drops out of the peace of Europe, there will be a world's fair in Paris in the year 1900," observes Harper's Weekly.

A citizen of Pogue Bluffs, Me., has such faith in the educational and moral influence of the press that he has ordered a good newspaper sent at his expense to each family in the town.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat observes: It is a curious fact that a club of women formed in New York to go to the Klondike has engaged a man to do the cooking and dish washing. Unless he is fastened matrimonially he will be apt to "give notice" when he reaches the diggings.

Moonshiners have made things so uncomfortable, not to say dangerous, for J. P. Wooten, a constable in Breathett County, Kentucky, that he has recently equipped himself with an absolutely bullet-proof steel shirt. The accounts do not explain the apparent immunity of the rest of his body from the guns of the illicit distillers.

There is a lonely island in the South Atlantic known as Tristan d'Acunha, and on it lives as head of its population one Peter Green, who, during sixty years' residence, has saved many lives from shipwreck. In recognition of his services to humanity and particularly British subjects, the Queen has sent him a framed portrait of herself, with a suitable inscription.

"The Grand Army men have done wisely in rejecting the proposition to change the time of the observance of Memorial Day from May 30 to the last Sunday in May," believes the New York Observer. "There are many incidental occurrences connected with Decoration Day exercises which would introduce an incongruous element into our Sabbaths if the change were made."

Owing to the fact that it is one of the German servant girl's duties to shine shoes, and that the porters attend to it at the hotels, there are few bootblacks in Berlin. In fact, there are but six—one at each of the leading depots. Their trade, of course, comes from arriving travelers. It is curious to see among the patrons of these bootblacks who ply their vocation in the open more women than men.

The Florida Citizen rhapsodises thus: When winter comes in other lands 'tis Florida's jubilee, and joy breaks forth on every hand and laughs from sea to sea. And when our groves shall bloom again not even the frogs shall croak, we'll teach the birds the sons of men in "English as she's spoke;" no richer land on all the earth recalls the days of old than this whose dews kiss maiden sands and love them into gold.

In calling to order the Farmers' Congress at St. Paul, Minn., President B. F. Clayton made the statement that the agricultural interests of the country were sorely in need of vigorous legislation, and that more of our national lawmakers should come from the rural districts. As the warrant for this statement President Clayton declared that the farming element of the country embraced over 30,000,000 people, or more than one-third of our national population; but that in spite of this fact, the agricultural interests of the country were represented by only thirty-five memb rs out of a total ... Nation House of Rep- ...nly one in the ... adds the At- ...is statement is ... While there ...

NEWS SUMMARY.

Current Events of the Day Epitomized.

A NATIONAL BANK CLOSES.

Dakota State Officers Arrested for Embezzlement—Fire Destroys the Business Portion of Oceola, Ark.—A Boiler Explodes with Fatal Results—Other News Items.

The state board of health of Mississippi has quarantined that state against Alabama.

Tobacco experts will meet in New York November 1 to arrange a uniform method of classification.

The president appointed Matthew B. McFarlane, collector of customs for the district of Tampa, Fla.

A boiler of a steam launch belonging to the battleship Texas exploded at Boston Friday. Several were hurt, none fatally.

J. M. Hamilton & Co., one of the oldest hardware houses of Nashville, assigned Thursday. Liabilities, $12,953; assets not given.

The president has appointed Medical Director W. K. Van Reypen to be surgeon general of the navy, to succeed Gen. Bates, deceased.

Several points in southwest Virginia report having experienced an earthquake shock Friday night.

State Auditor Mayhew, Ex-Auditor Whipple and Chief Clerk Anderson, of South Dakota, were arrested on charges of embezzlement last Thursday.

The outhouses of the West Tennessee asylum for the insane at Bolivar, Tenn., were destroyed by fire. Damage, $25,000. The main buildin gs escaped the flames.

Fire destroyed the business portion of the town of Osceola, Ark., a river town a few miles north of Memphis. Details are meager, but it is believed the loss will reach $100,000.

"Mac" Cannon, the leading merchant of Dalton, Ga., was pronounced guilty by the jury for buying stolen goods from Walter Bohannon, chief of the notorious robber gang.

George Westerman, aged 60, shot his young step-daughter at Madrid, Mo., and then blew his own brains out. He had been suspected of criminal intimacy with his step-daughter for some time.

By his request the only announcement that the New York Sun of Monday contained was this simple note at the top of its editorial page: "Charles Anderson Dana, editor of the Sun, died yesterday afternoon."

Deer Lick, Ky., reports a wedding in which the bride and groom represent extremes of age, greater perhaps than any wedding on record. The groom, Joel Davis, is 70, and the bride, Miss Belle Whitaker, is 12.

Thursday the jury in the case against Capt. T. J. Peebles, who has been on trial at Dalton, Ga., on the charge of receiving stolen goods, returned a verdict of "not guilty." This is the first acquittal in the car robbery cases.

A boiler in the Detroit, Mich., Cabinet Company's factory exploded Friday with fatal and disastrous results. At least two men were fatally injured, one of whom has since died, and ten men were more or less seriously injured.

The National bank of Asheville, N. C., has closed its doors. No statement has yet been made. As soon as the announcement of the closing of the bank was circulated a run was begun on the Battery Park bank, the only one remaining in Asheville.

Thursday morning George Young, a farmer residing two miles south of Blue Earth City, Minn., shot and killed his wife, his two boys, aged 2 and 4, and himself. All died instantly. Business and domestic troubles form the only explanation of the deed.

Since Thursday night there have been persistent rumors in Havana that General Castillo, the well-known insurgent, has been killed in an engagement with the Spanish troops. The reports, however, have not been officially confirmed.

At Tallahassee, Fla., A. McMahon, a prominent young member of the state militia, was shot and killed by Dr. Lightfoot, a Cherokee Indian and a professional gambler, in a quarrel over dice in a saloon. The assailant was recently released from jail at Paris, Texas.

Thursday night a museum exhibited at Holgate, O., in a large car, which had on exhibition a glass and wire cage containing 400 snakes. The crowd was so great that the cage was crushed, allowing the reptiles to run at large. Among the collection were a number of black diamond rattlesnakes, measuring from five to seven feet long. They were stepped upon by the crowd and several persons were bitten. All the doctors in town were summoned to give medical aid.

At Springfield, Mo., Raymond Allen, 12 years old, went to school carrying a portion of a stick of dynamite. The explosive, which the boy had found, was in his pocket with a knife, top and marbles. In getting to his seat the boy banged his dangerous collection against the desk, causing an explosion which will probably cost him his life and which was heard for two blocks. The teacher, Miss Mack, was close by and had her skirts torn into shreds, but she was not hurt.

MILLIONS WILL BE SPENT.

Annnal Report of the Chief of Engineers the Army.

Gen. Wilson, chief of the engineers of the army, has made his annual report to the secretary of war. It is devoted to the fortifications and river and harbor improvements of the country. Estimats for coast defenses for the years 1898 99 are as follows:

Gun and mortar batteries, $5,000,000; purchase of land for fortifications, $500,000; protection, preservation and repair of fortifications, $100,000; preparation of plans for fortifications, $5,000; sea walls and embankments, $55,000; torpedoes for harbor defense, special purchase of sub-marine mines and necessary appliances to operate them, for closing the channels leading to principal seaports, for needful case maters, gale batteries, etc., to render it possible to separate submarine mines, $150,000. Total, $5 810,000.

For continuing work on the rivers and harbors the principal estimates in a number of Southern states are as follows:

Georgia—Savannah harbor, $450,000; Savannah harbor maintenance, $100,000; Savannah river, $100,000; Darien harbor, $75,000; Altamaha river, $50,000; Oconee river, $50,000: Ocmulgee river, $50,000; Cumberland Sound, $450,000; inside water route between Savannah and Fernandina, Fla., $56,000; Flint river, $26,500.

Florida—St John's river, $500,000; Indian river, $29,000; Key West, harbor, $225,000; Charlotte harbor and Pease creek, $25,000; Saracotta bay, $42,500; Manatee river, $29,000; Apalachicola bay, $50,000; Pensacola harbor, $50,000.

Alabama—Chattahoochee river, $93,500; Alabama river, $156,200; Coosa river between Rome, Ga., and the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railway bridge, $256,922; Coosa river from the bridge to Wetumpka $1,000,000; Mobile harbor, $60,000; Mobile harbor maintenance, $60,000; Black Warrior river, $190,500; Warrior river, $500,000; Tombigbee river, from mouth to Demopolis, $200,000; Tombigbee river from Demopolis, Ala., to Columbus, Miss, $500,000.

SPAIN'S REPLY

To Minister Woodford Summed Up in a Few Words.

In the special note to United States Minister Woodford the government declares that Spain has done all in her power to end the war in Cuba, and cites the many sacrifices which have been made by the nation, the number of troops sent to Cuba and the reforms which are to be carried out in the island, which are fully described.

The note ends with the statement that "Spain will not admit the right of any foreign power to interfere in any of her affairs."

The note also declares that if the United States does not stop the sailing of filibustering expeditions from American ports Spain will re-establish the right to search vessels anchoring ... Cuba ...

ARMY REPORT.

General Miles Submits Estimates to the Secretary of War.

MORE SOLDIERS ARE NEEDED.

The General Wants Two More Regiments of Artillery and Five of Infantry—Will Take Fifty-eight Million Dollars to Put the Country in Condition of Defense.

Gen. Miles, major-general commanding the army, has made his report to the secretary of war. In it he makes reference to the reports of the general and other officers subordinate to him in rank. Gen. Miles says in part:

"The army, although inadequate in point of numbers, was never in a higher state of efficiency, both as to the character and qualifications of its officers and intelligence and loyalty of its soldiers. Important changes and improvements have been made along the Atlantic and gulf coasts, and especially in the mounting of modern artillery and the appliances adopted for the defense of the coast."

Attention is called to the condition of affairs in Alaska and a number of recommendations relative thereto are made.

Continuing, the report says: "During the last ten years much attention has been given by the government to the question of coast defenses, and most beneficial results are now becoming apparent. Approximately $26,000,000 has been appropriated by the government, which is nearly one-third of what is required to put the country in a safe condition of defense. Although the general desire of our people is to maintain a condition of peace with all nations and the policy of the government is one of good will and peaceful relations with all others, yet nothing could be more injudicious than to remain in a condition of insecurity and permit the lives of millions and the accumulated wealth of many generations to be destroyed or endangered by any foreign power with which we are liable to come in contact."

He recommends fortification appropriations as follows:

Hampton Roads, $463,000; approaches to Wilmington, N. C., $397,000; Charleston harbor, S. C., $150,000; Key West, Fla., $50,000; Pensacola harbor, $32,000; approaches to Mobile, Ala., $307,000; approaches to New Orleans, $319,000; Galveston, Tex., $419,000.

He recommends strongly an increase in the army of at least two additional regiments of artillery.

He also urges the necessity of adding five infantry regiments to the army and recommends that congress fix a standard of strength on a basis ot the total population. This standard, he thinks, should be a maximum of one enlisted man to every 1,000 population and the minimum one soldier to every 2,000 population.

Fever Gives Way to Tragedy.

Interest in the progress of the fever in Biloxi was swallowed up in the contemplation and excitement of a most horrible murder and arson committed upon a most estimable couple of elderly people living out on Back Bay, about three or four miles from the city.

Word was brought to the city about 4 o'clock Friday morning that the Parkhurst property had been burned and that Mr. J. L. Parkhurst and his wife had been consumed in the flames. A man named Gibson, his wife and one Volkes are under arrest.

The autopsy held showed that the aged couple had been murdered, and evidence showed that they had been killed before they retired at night. Rumors and threats of lynching are rife.

No More Appointments at Present.

The president has determined not to consider any new appointments until congress meets, owing to many requests that have come from senators and representatives that consideration be held up until they can see the president; also the great pressure of other business, which is ...

STILL INCREASING.

The Yellow Fever Situation Shows Ma... Progress in Many Places.

The board of health reported ... following new cases at Montgom... Friday night: Hugh McCutche... Mrs. Biggio, F. M. McQueen, W... McDaniel, Terrence R. Hardaway, ... O. Parker, D. L. Bray, Ed Bigg... Miss Mollie Mulcahy, child of ... Prendergrast, 6 years old. Dr. G... teras, after visiting sixteen patie... six of whom were old cases, repor... that the disease prevailing was ... typical fever. In an address, he s... the fever was not contagious; that ... germs were responsible for its beco... ing epidemic. Pleasant McAdams di... Friday night of yellow fever. He w... only 18 years old.

A case of fever has developed at N... tasulga, forty miles east of Montgo... ery, and two are reported at Robins... Springs, ten miles north.

Friday night at 7 o'clock the yell... fever cases had nearly reached fifty ... New Orleans, and there had been fi... deaths.

Ten new cases were reported F... day at Mobile, five of whom were tak... from the Italian bark Livomus. The... were two deaths. Total cases to dat... 197; deaths, 23; recoveries, 123. und... treatment, 36.

President Thornton, of the Men... phis board of health, Friday night off... cially declared that a case of yello... fever exists in Memphis. The case i... that of B. H, McFerrin. He is a yar... conductor, and was taken sick Sun... day

One new case is reported from Ca... yuga, Miss.; under treatment, 15.

Bay St. Louis has 1 case.

Clinton has 11 cases under treat... ment.

At Edwards there are 4 new cases... Total to date, 487; deaths, 26; dis... charged, 436; convalescent, 48; unde... treatment, 37; in the country—death... 4, all white; total cases, 55.

Selma reported a suspicious case o... fever Friday night, and wired Dr. ... Guiteras to come and investigate.

RETURNED FROM HAWAII.

Senator Morgan Talks Enthusiastically About Annexation.

Senator Morgan and his daughters and F. M. Hatch, the new minister from Hawaii, were among the passengers who arrived at San Francisco from Honolulu upon the steamship Bolgic the past week.

Senator Morgan expressed himself as well pleased with what he saw and the manner in which he was entertained while on the islands. He is more than ever enthusiastic on the subject of annexation, and intimated that Hawaii may become a part of this country before the close of the coming year. He said:

"Hawaii is certainly going to be a state, but whether it will be at the time of its annexation or later remains to be seen. Should it be annexed as a territory the Hawaiian commissioners will recommend that the island should be admitted to statehood and a special act of congress would undoubtedly follow.

"I have favored annexation from the beginning, but I was surprised upon investigating the matter to find that the arguments in favor of the movement had been underestimated. In my opinion, Hawaii is absolutely indispensable to the United States, and we must have these islands. The only opposition found was that of a few of the Lilioukalani royalists who have no weight over there and are for the most part royalists for revenue only."

Senator and the Misses Morgans will leave here for their home at Selma, Ala., in a few days.

Secretly Arming.

It has just leaked out at Fort Smith, Ark., that the full-blood Cherokees have been secretly arming themselves and securing large quanties of ammunition for several weeks, but it has been especially brisk since the return of the attorney sent to Washington to enjoin the Dawes commission from proceeding to make the citizenship rolls. The majority of the Cherokees are opposed to the treaty, but the most bitter feeling is among the ignorant full-bloods. They are preparing to resist any attempt to change their tribal government. Several leading advocates of allot...

ere is Harry A. Cassin?

ed to Appear in an Atlanta Crimi- l Court When His Name Was Called.

BEZZLED $71,000 OF FUNDS WHILE ASHIER OF AN ATLANTA BANK. SAID TO BE IN SOUTH AFRICA AND DOING WELL.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 25.—Harry A. Cas. ex-bank cashier, is a fugitive from stice and not even his friends can say ere the ex-cashier is. When his case is called in the superior criminal urt this morning he did not respond d his counsel shook his head when ked by the court if he could produce e body of his client.

Cassin was indicted last spring for nbezzling $71,000 of the funds of the eorgia Loan, Savings and Banking mpany, a corporation in which he as the trusted cashier. He gave bond the sum of $10,000, which was signed y Banker F. M. Coker, of this city, hom it is said was indemnified against ss by the father in-law of the young anker.

It is said that Cassin is now in South frica, and that he is doing well in a usiness venture in which he is en- aged.

Cassin was at one time one of the nost popular young business men of Atlanta, and was very highly connected, having married the daughter of Judge Hillyer.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Go to busy Montevallo to buy good goooods dirt eheap.

D. B. Lacey and family of Maylene, spent Sunday in town.

Seaborn Hinton went over in the Ebenezer settlement Sunday.

Charles Allen, of Birmingham, visited our town one day last week.

Dr. H. W. Harrison has leased his coal mine to W. L. Clark &Co.

W. P. Ryan and family contemplate making Livingston their futnre home.

Mr. Dock Flliott, of Ganadarque, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in our town.

Pat Harrison says if the mail trains don't start to running again at once he will go South instead of North.

Dr. R. C. Jones who is attending the medical college at Bessemer, came down Saturday to see home folks.

Messrs. Walter and James Harrison have returned from Belle Ellen from a lengthly and very pleasant visit.

Miss Maggie Houser who is visiting relatives in and around town, is spending a few days at Maylene this week.

Dr. Givhan reports Mrs. M. L. Wooten's child convalescing. We learn that the child had a very complicated disease, and that Dr. Givhan showed fine spun skill in his diagnosis and treatment of the case. B. Y. H.

BLOCTON ITEMS

Mr Edmonds, of Scottsville, was in town Monday.

Mr John James, of Jamesville, was in the city last week.

John T Ellison, of Centreville, was in the city a few days ago.

Editor Nunneley, of the County Press, called to see us a few days ago.

Professors Langston and Wallace visited home folk at Six Mile Sunday.

Blocton has quarantined against all the world. Why does it not frost and kill the vellow fever out?

Our friend, John C Brock, agent at Belle Ellen, spent Sunday in our town. Mr Brock is looking fine.

The Southern passenger train from Selma to Birmingham has been stopped on account of the yellow fever in Selma.

Messrs J N and A L Campbell and Rush Collier took in the exposition at Nashville last week.

Grade work on the new railroad from here to the main line near Centreville is nearing completion. It don't take our people always to build a railroad.

Mr John Porter received a telegram Monday, announcing the death of his brother-in law, Mr W A Walburn, who was killed at Johns Monday. Mr Walburn was machinist at Johns for the T C I & R R Co.

It has been given out officially that N L Wilson has been appointed postmaster at this place. All people in our city regret very much to see our faithful friend, C C Collier, put out; but of course the Republicans have things in their power and will do as they see fit. Mr Wilson has only been a Republican a short while. He was a candidate in 1896 for sheriff of Bibb county on the Republican ticket.

WANTED ACENTS.

"The Confederate Soldier in the Civil War," just published, contains 500 pages 12x16 inches, and over 1,100 large Battle Scenes, Portraits, Maps, etc. The greatest and largest War Book ever published, and the only one that does justice to the Confederate soldier and the cause he fought for. Complete in one volume. Agents wanted everywhere to sell this book on our new and easy plan. Many of the lady and gentlemen agents who are at work are making from $100 to $200 per month. Veterans, Sons and Daughters of Veterans, and others interested are requested to send for a beautiful illustrated descriptive circular (free) and terms to agents. Address, COURIER JOURNAL JOB PRINTING Co., Louisville, Ky.

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A few of our Departments and the Goods Therein:

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This is our pride. We handle only the very best, and sell at the lowest possible price. Anything you want—from 4½ cent calico to the best silks are kept in stock. The ladies are respectfully invited to call and examine this stock.

NOTIONS.

Oh! yes, we carry notions, and more notions than we want. They are here, and don't forget the prices on Notions are WAY, WAY DDWN.

CLOTHING.

We represent the largest Tailoring Establishment in this country, besides a large and well assorted stock for you to select from, and can fit your person or pocket.

SHOES.

Here we can fit peasant or king, rich or poor. We sell them as low as 25 cents per pair, and every pair guaranteed as represented.

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The latest styles, the latest prices, is the motto of this department. Come and see them and you will be convinced.

Underwear.

Everything that is kept in the larger cities can be found on our counters, and at prices that others dare not attempt.

HARDWARE.

This department is complete, the prices low, the goods the best. Anything from a nail to a steam engine.

HARNESS.

Saddles, Bridles, Harness, Whips and Blankets of every description are here, and at prices that for lowness will surprise you.

Canned Goods.

We bought a car load of this one article, and you can buy at retail of us for the price others pay whole sale.

Crockery.

You can't mention a thing in this line that cannot be found on our shelves or counters, at prices that cannot be equalled.

Furniture.

Yes! we carry a full line of Furniture, and pay the spot cash for it, and can and will save you money. Come and examine for yourself.

Trunks and Valises

All sizes, all kinds, and waiting for your inspection for you to purchase one. The price is right.

The above are ony a few of the many lines that we carry in our well assorted stock. That we can please you and save you money, we know from past experience. It is a pleasure to show our goods, and the

Directory.

CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor—preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. W. Lyman, Supt. Prayermeeting every Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 P.M. Ladies Aid Society meets at 4 P. M. on Monday after the 2d and 4th Sunday.

METHODIST —Rev. L. P. Abernathy, pastor Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 A. M., S. H. McCauly, Supt. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 P.M

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A F & A M—Meets on Saturday nights before first full moon in each month.
J. ALEX. MOORE, W, M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights in each month.
C. F. ROBBINS, C. C.
G. B. MONROE, K. of R. & S.

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E. S. LYMAN, Reporter.

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Local.

Montevallo ought to be incorporated.

Sheriff Vest was in the city Saturday.

Dr. J. W. Pratt, of Aldrich, was in town Monday.

Overshoes at Reynolds from 15 to 50 cents per pair.

Mr. Dolf Banks visited Blocton one day last week.

Dr. R. H. Hargroye, of Maylene. was in town Monday.

WANTED—A pair of good mules, Apply at NEWS office.

Attorney Leper, of Columbiana. spent Sunday in our town.

If you have land to sell it will pay you to see us before selling.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich and wife were in town Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Ed Ivey, of Blocton, spent a short while in town Tuesday.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Mr. Dolf Banks left Wednesday for Nashville, to take in the Centennial.

Mr. John Arnold, of Woodstock, spent several days in Montevallo this week.

Mr. F. A. Flowers, of Bolling, Ala, is visiting his daughter, Mrs Dr. Wilkinson.

Mr. Walter Carlisle left yesterday for Talladega, where he will remain for several days.

Girls, when you want ribbon, remember we are the people. H C & W B Reynolds.

There was a heavy frost here on Tuesday morning. We are safe now from yellow fever.

Mr. Robert Wilson, of Ebenezer settlement, was in town Wednesday purchasing goods.

Messrs. M. A. Owen, J. T. Wilson and Frank Wilson, of Brierfield, were in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. W. B. Reynolds returned home Saturday from a visit to her parents at Faunsdale.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand all the time and can deliver on short notice.

A complete line of ladies' and gents' mackintoshes—prices to suit all purses—at Reynolds.

Mr. S. M. Venable, of Talladega, qua[illegible]

The foot bridge needs repairing badly. If it is not fixed soon, some body is liable to fall through and get crippled.

Capt. R. H. Pratt, Prof. J. E White, Rev. Smitherman, Wm. C. Trott and Willie Pratt, of Six Mile, were in town Tuesday.

Montevallo don't take the interest in her churches that she should. We would like to see our people take more interest in church affairs.

Just received, at Revnolds', a handsome line of stationery at prices never before equalled. Box paper from 3 cents to 45 cents per box.

Mr. Walter Carlisle came near being killed Tuesday. While fixing some scaffolding a plank fell on his head knocking him insensible for awhile.

Miss Leila Sessions, who has been quite sick for several weeks at the residence of Mr. Bryan. is, we are glad to learn, improving. She is now able to sit up.

Mr. Pleas. West, who lives near town, had the misfortune to lose his horse and buggy Sunday night. Some thief got away with it while Mr. West was asleep.

H C & W B Reynolds have just closed a deal for 719 yards of all silk velvet in the latest shades, at one-fourth of actual cost. You can take choice of the entire lot for 29 cents per yard.

Mrs. S. O. Pitts, of Vicksburg, Miss., is visiting her sister, Mrs Dr. Wilkinson. We will say for the benefit of our citizens that Mrs. Pitts has been away from the infected districts for over twenty days.

Mr. W. A. Walburn, brother in-law of Mr. L. S Craddock, of this place. was killed Monday at Johns, Ala., while at work at the mines. We did not learn the particulars. The bereaved ones have our sympathy in their affliction.

Just received—Five hundred Ladies' Capes of the most fashionable and stylish makes. Prices from $1.00 up to $10 00. Children's Cloaks from $1.00 to $1.50 — all sizes and colors.
H. C. & W. B REYNOLDS.

We regret to learn that there is some trouble existing between the trustees and teachers of the Normal college at Brierfield. We have not learned the particulars, but hope all difficulties will be settled, and that this good school will go on as usual.

The editor of the NEWS is thinking seriously of going to New Zeland to assume full control of a daily paper there, the official organ of that country. The editor of the Sunny Southland seems to want to run this part of the moral vineyard, and we thought we would give him a chance.

The Scott vs. Scott case was tried in Attorney Reynolds' office last Saturday before Judges Ozley and West. The plaintiff was represented by Brown & Longshore, of Columbiana, and the defendant by Messrs. Reynolds, Lyman and Cary. The case was decided in favor of the defendant.

We offer special inducements to boarding houses. We will give, free of charge, a quart bottle of hair restorative (our own make) if we cannot demonstrate to you that we can save you money on all groceries. Give us an order and be convinced. H C & W B Reynolds.

We have a job office and can do your work. Some seem to think they can do better elsewhere. What would our [illegible]erchants think of us if [illegible] to Birmingham, [illegible] certain arti[illegible]ght here at [illegible]ndustry,

(Thursday) morning. They will keep on hand fresh fish and eysters, and will be prepared to serve you on short notice. Give them a call when you feel like trying a bait of fresh oysters, either raw, stewed or fried.

On last Thursday morning about five o'clock our citizens were aroused by the alarm of fire, and it was soon discovered that an empty house between Mr. Vandegrift's and Dr. F. F. Crowe's residences, was in flames. By heroic efforts on the part of our citizens the beautiful new residence of Mr. Vandegrift and the residence of Dr. Crowe were saved. The property destroyed belonged to Dr. J. D. Trammell, and we understand it was insured.

Just as we go to press, we learn of a fatal accident that happened Mr. Robert Killingsworth, living 7 miles south of Montevallo, on Tuesday. While working with a thrash the bands became entangled some way, throwing the machine against him, and catching him between the machine and wall, cutting him almost in two, causing death in a few hours. He leaves four motherless children, who have the sympathy of the entire community in their irreparable loss.

A protracted meeting commenced at the M. E. Church Sunday, conducted by Rev. John Andrews, of Calhoun county. Dr. Andrews delivered forcible sermons Sunday night, Monday morning, Monday night and Tuesday night, but we regret to say very little interest was manifested. He had to leave Wednesday morning, and the regular pastor, Rro. Abernathy, announced Tuesday night that the meeting would still go on, and that he would be assisted by Bro. Wheeler, a well-known evangelist. We do hope that much good will result from this meeting.

Married, at Faunsdale, Ala., on Wednesday morning, Oct 20th, at the residence of the bride's father, Hon. Mims Walker. Mr. Samuel J. Morgan, of Blocton, and Miss Margaret Walker. Rev. Dr. Otts, of Greensboro, performed the ceremony, which was witnessed only by relatives of the bridal pair. The stately old house was superbly decked with flowers and garlands of roses and smilax. An elaborate breakfast was served, after which Mr. and Mrs. Morgan left for an extended trip east. After their return they will reside at Blocton, where Mr Morgan is identified with the Tenn. Coal, Iron & Railroad Co.

The bride is a sister of Mrs. W. B Reynolds, and the groom a brother of Mr. G. W. Morgan, both of our town. The NEWS extends to the happy couple its congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy and prosperous voyage aleng the sea of life.

On last Saturday night a NEWS man, in company with another party, procured a horse and buggy from Mr. Frank Kroell, and started on a trip through the country to Blocton. After driving a few miles we ate heartily of cheese. crackers and apples. Although the night was quite dark and cool, the trip was devoid of incident until we reached Pratt's Ferry. Here we decided to ford the river, and after getting about half way across our horse stepped into a hole, and we were afraid we were going wrong, and thought we would call the ferryman and get him to pilot us across After yelling until our throats were sore, and getting no response from the ferryman, we were about at our wit's end to know what to do. There we were, middle way the river, and neither of us could swim. Our partner, suffering from neuralgia and rheumatism, was afraid to get his feet damp, so the NEWS man, without [illegible]

horse took a wrong road, and after driving about a mile we discovered we were in an old timber road, and had to retrace our way back to the main road. Finally we got straight again, and drove into Blocton about 2 a. m, Sunday. After spending a few hours with wife and babies, the NEWS man left Blocton at 11 o'clock and reached Montevallo at 6 p. m., tired, hungry and sleepy.

CARD OF THANKS.

MONTEVALLO, ALA.,
Oct. 21st, 1897.

MR. EDITOR:

Will you allow us, through the columns of the NEWS, to express our sincere thanks to the noble people of Montevallo for their heroic work in preventing our house being burned this morning?

It seemed to be beyond human power to prevent a house from being burned so near the one which was on fire. But by God's providential interference and an increased energy and a greater effort on the part of the people, our house was saved from the consuming flames.

We shall always feel thankful to our Heavenly Father and to the courageous people who took such an active inteaest in our behalf at a time when help was so much needed.

Yours, with the greatest respect,
C. C. VANDEGRIFT & FAMILY.

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1 Ladies' Waist Set,	15
1 pair Men's Socks,	05
1 quire Note Paper,	03
1 pack Envelopes,	04
1 best Lead Pencil,	01
1 pair Men's Suspenders,	17
1 paper Pins,	03
6 balls of Thread.	05
1 spool Coats' Thread.	04
144 Agate Buttons,	05
1 card Bone Collar Buttons,	05
3 boxes Blue Hen Matches,	05
1 pair Bath Towels,	14
12 yards Torchon Lace,	12
1 Day Book,	02
	$1.00

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Crystals,	15 to 50 "
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Fancy Candy from 10 to 80 Cents [illegible]
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THESE GOODS SIMPLY [illegible]
Fresh Bread
Laundry Every
If you are not sweet get sweet h[illegible]

DO YOU WA[illegible]
WELL, WE M[illegible]
BANKS
Hand-made Bricks Are t[illegible]
We do all kin[illegible]

A poor miner in Pennsylvania is said to have fallen heir to $75,000 by the death of an uncle who came to him in the disguise of a tramp and was kindly received. This story reads as though it had been written by some William Whiskers with a fancy for tales of imagination and a desire to have his kind treated well by those whom they would in the future solicit for "handouts."

The first thing the women will do when they get into power will be to enact a law compelling a man to love only one woman at a time.

Ant Pie.

Savages, we know, indulge in such luxuries as grubs and locusts, but for a civilized white man to finish up his dinner with a dish of raw ants seems too nasty to be credible. Yet in Mexico it is the custom—and a custom adopted by plenty of colonists and visitors.

The ant eaten is called the honey ant, and is perhaps as curious an insect as lives. With a tiny head and legs, it has a huge body as big as a large pea, and this is yellow and swollen with excellent honey.

In each nest there are 300 or 400 of these honey ants, which are attended by thousands of others. The honey ants hang on to the roof of the cells in the nest while the others feed them. They are, in fact, living storehouses of winter food. An observer says that if one of the honey ants falls from his perch a worker will go and pick him up and replace him. This is as if a man were to walk up the face of a cliff carrying a large buffalo or cart horse on his back.

Value and Price.

"I suppose, of course, that's a $100 wheel."

"That's what it is."

"How much did you pay for it?"—Chicago Post.

The life of a farmer has often been called a life of drudgery. There is no occupation that has a larger ratio of inspiriting labor to one whose tastes are in harmony with rural life. The weak point in American farming has been the lack of appreciation of the equipments necessary to a successful career. Too many of them have been willing to be thieves of the soil's resources, that they might swell their bank accounts. To the young man or young woman fairly educated there is no more promising field of enterprise.

Prayer and Profanity

are all right in their proper places, but have Tetter or Eczema, or Salt-Rheum or Ringworm, better save your breath and buy "Tetterine." 50 cents a box at drug stores, or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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...icted with sore eyes use Dr. Isaac ...'s Eye-water. Druggists sell at 25c.

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ALABAMA NEWS ITEMS.

Happenings of a Week Throughout Our Commonwealth.

Gang of Box Car Thieves Arrested.

West Jones, Will Jordan, Josh Lee, Russell Banks, Lawrence Thompson and Reuben Jones, six alleged clever colored car thieves, have been landed in the Jefferson county jail.

Yellow Fever at Selma.

Selma is in the throes of the yellow fever scourge. The outcome of Dr. Guiteras' visit to that city is a report that seven cases were under treatment and that the fever has existed in a mild form for three or four weeks.

Ground in the Machinery.

Bone Bagley was caught in the machinery at Hagin's cotton gin, near Markton, twelve miles north of Gadsden, and was literally ground to pieces. When the fragments of flesh and bones were withdrawn from the ginnery they presented a ghastly and sickening sight, the largest member of his body being not larger than an ordinary sized gourd.

A Record Breaker.

The Howard-Harrison Iron Company, at Bessemer, cast its first 72-inch pipe last Saturday. It will be one of an order for twelve for the New Orleans and Northeastern railroad, to be used in culverts. This immense pipe will be the largest in existence, being 72 inches in diameter, 12 feet 6 inches long, 2 inches thick and will weigh ten tons.

Governor Cannot Remove Him.

At Rockford Judge Carmichael rendered his decision in the Moore vs. Nolen case Wednesday in favor of Mr. Moore. This case is the one in which the constitutionality of the law which gave the governor power to remove a tax assessor was assailed, Mr. Moore being the old assessor and the one Governor Johnston removed when Nolen was appointed.

Miners Organizing.

The miners of Alabama will officiate with the United Mine Workers of America, and will at once begin to perfect the organization. A convention of the miners of the Birmingham district was held Friday for the purpose of considering the question of affiliating with the United Mine Workers of America or of maintaining a distinct state organization. A vote was taken which resulted in a victory for the national organization by a majority of 33 votes out of a total of 77 cast.

Camps will be organized and a state convention will be called to perfect a district organization under a charter granted by the United Mine Workers of America. It is estimated that when the organization is perfected 10,000 men will be enrolled.

New Road Is Commenced.

The first dirt on the Atlanta and Selma Air-Line was broken Thursday in the eastern suburbs of Selma with imposing ceremonies. Mayor Meyer and members of the city council, Col. Mitchell, president of the road, and a large number of citizens were present when the first scraper, drawn by four mules, was imbedded into the earth by Mrs. Watkin M. Vaughan, who had been selected as the sponsor for the road. There was speech-making and cheering. Fifty mules and one hundred men were put to work and these will be quadrupled in a few days. When ten miles are graded track will be laid and trains put on. The road will then be pushed through Autauga, ...e, Coosa, Elmore, Tallapoosa, Clay and Randolph counties and on to Atlanta.

Progress of the M. & O. Extension.

A well-known contractor has made the following statement regarding the state of affairs on the construction of the Montgomery & Columbus extension of the Mobile & Ohio: "Over 90 per cent of the grading has been completed. This work will have been completed in three weeks from date. The wood work is also nearly completed. Track-laying is in active progress. They have laid twenty-five miles of rails from Columbus and eight miles from the Montgomery end, thirty-three miles altogether. The track-layers expect to arrive at the Warrior bridge at Tuskaloosa in sixty days, but will be probably later than that at that point. The bridge at Tuskaloosa will not be completed for three months yet. That will be the last work to be done. The road will then be ready to be operated. Contracts for depot buildings, section houses, round houses, etc., were to have ...n let at Tuskaloosa on October ... but letting

leans Dr. Purser passed through Birmingham and delivered a sermon at the First Baptist church. He said that he would return to New Orleans if it appeared to him to be his duty to do so. He said he had been a soldier in the war, and he intended to act as a soldier, a man and a Christian, with God's help, in this matter.

He went back to New Orleans, took sick last Saturday, and the rest has been told. He died like the veteran he was—in the midst of the fight.

Dr. David Ingram Purser was born in Copiah county, Miss., December 24, 1843. He went to the front on the Confederate side when the war broke out with the "Seven Stars Artillery," and participated in seventeen engagements. His war record was a brilliant one. He began to preach the gospel actively in 1870, and served as missionary between Port Gibson and Natchez, and after at Crystal Springs and Wesson, Miss. Subsequently he did evangelistic work all the way from New Orleans to St. Louis.

Briefly Noted.

W. R. W. Cobb has been appointed postmaster at Gurley, and Byron Trammell postmaster at Five Points.

The little step-daughter of T. A. Christian, of Wiley, was choked to death the past week by swallowing a persimmon.

Work has commenced on the rebuilding of the Anniston Pipe & Foundry Company's plant, which was recently burned.

Opelika has progressed more this year than any one year in its history. It is estimated that over $90,000 has been spent for new residences alone.

Milton Clark, a good old negro, was killed by his son, Milton Clark, Jr., near Montgrmery last week. They disputed over the ownership of land.

The wages of the miners employed in the America mines have been advanced 2½ cents. The America mines are located in Walker county, and employ about 250 men.

The president has appointed the following postmasters for Alabama: Bloc ton, Newton L. Wilson; Brewton, Nicholas G. Schad; Ozark, S. D. Clark; Pratt City, Andrew J. Prince.

The state quarantine officers were instructed Saturday night not to let any passengers from Selma stop in Alabama. Since the quarantine against Selma the trains over the Southern have been discontinued. There are no trains to Montgomery or Memphis.

A rigid quarantine is maintained by Selma against Mobile and Montgomery, by reason of which the Mobile and Birmingham and Western of Alabama railroads have abondoned their train service.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Alabama Baptist Convention in Selma the annual meeting of that body, called at East Lake for November 12, was postponed on account of quarantine regulations.

A. W. Coleman, a white brakeman on the Central of Georgia railway, attempted to couple two cars Thursday morning. The drawheads broke and he was badly mashed and may not recover.

CAR ROBBERS SENTENCED.

The Dalton Gang, Merchants and All, Must Pay the Penalty.

The most remarkable car robbery case on record in the south came to an end at Dalton, Ga., Saturday in the superior court, Judge Alonzo Fite presiding.

During the past three weeks eighteen robbers charged with systematically looting cars on the Southern railway, extending over a period of five years have been tried and found guilty. The ringleader, Walter Bohannon, was convicted in five cases and was sentenced by the court to ten years in the penitentiary. His gang, Tom Kineman, Ben Pearce, Sam Painter, Lute White, Bill Long and Ed Morris, the latter colored, received sentences from three years to one year.

The merchants convicted of receiving stolen goods from the robbers are as follows, all prominent in business and social circles in Dalton and North Georgia:

C. M. Cannon, T. P. J. Peeples, J. H. Bender, Anderson Giddens, Clee Combee, G. W. Haron, W. B. McCarson, J. Kirkefarrar, Ed Roberts and Jesse Langston. The court sentenced all these merchants to pay fines ranging according to their ability to pay from $1,000 down to $25 and one year on the chain gang, the latter sentence to be suspended on payment of the fines and costs.

NO SILVER.

Great Britain Refuses to Enter Into a Monetary Conference.

Lord Salisbury has sent to Ambassador ...ay the reply of the British ... of the

THE JOKERS' BUDGET.

OBLIGING HIM.

"I want a dollar, Jones, and I want it bad."

"All right. Here's a counterfeit."

WORSE.

Mrs. Klondike—And did the landlord press you for money?

Tramp—No'm. He stomped on me, mum.

IMPORTED OR NATIVE.

Facetious Customer—Bring me a couple of links of dog.

Obliging Waiter—Certainly, sir; Dachshund or mongrel?

DISSATISFIED.

"When did she first seem to become dissatisfied with your present?"

"When she accidentally ran across the price mark."

A POPULAR YOUNG MAN.

Miss Laura—Do you believe, Mr. Litehed, that stolen kisses are sweetest?

Chollie—Aw, weally, I don't know. I've never had to steal any yet.

MAKING PROGRESS.

"So you proposed to her," said Willie Wishington's friend.

"Yes."

"Did she give you any encouragement?"

"Some. She didn't laugh."

HAD HIS TROUBLES.

"Dear heart!" he protested.

He pressed his hand nervously to his brow.

"Give me liver," he exclaimed, abruptly, for he had but seven cents.

SELFISH.

"Why do prosperous men always say that the ladder of success is made up of broken rounds?"

"Well—they do it so that other fellows won't try to crawl up after them."

GREAT DEMAND.

"That Miss Goldrick seems to be awfully popular with the young men."

"Popular is no name for it. Why, do you know her father has actually got out a printed form of declination of offers for her hand?"

A PUZZLED YOUNGSTER.

Willie—Ma, can people leave parts of themselves in different places?

Ma—No; don't be ridiculous.

Willie—Well, Mr. Jiggs said he was going to Arizona for his lungs.

BY THE BOTTLE.

Ethel—Who was that man you just bowed to?

Penelope—That was Dobson, the great composer.

Ethel—A composer, did you say?

Penelope—Yes. He manufactures soothing syrup.

NO POSSIBLE DANGER.

"What do you consider the most absolutely certain way to distinguish toadstools from mushrooms?"

"Cook them, get some other man to eat them, and then watch his symptoms."

A RULE OF RECOGNITION.

"I can tell everything that man writes," remarked the discerning citizen.

"How?"

"If it's poetry he begins each sentence with 'O,' and if it's prose he begins it with 'I.'"

AN EXAMPLE.

"It's the man who persists as'll rise in the world," remarked Mr. Rafferty, sententiously.

"Thrue fur yez," replied Mr. Dolan. "An' fur proof Oi kin point till the tombstone iv a fri'nd thot persisted in thawin' dynamite be a shtove."

AND SO IT GOES.

"This article, 'How to Keep Well,' is not completed," said the editor-in-chief.

"No, sir; the editor of the Health Column took some lobster last night, and he hasn't been able to work today," replied his assistant.

ANSWERED.

"What are the "Powers' of Europe?" inquired the very young woman.

The veteran diplomat looked at her thoughtfully and then replied:

"For a long time past they hav been chiefly conversational Powers."

FULLY APPRECIATED.

"Wonderful!" exclaimed the enthusiastic tourist from Boston, as the steamer came in full sight of the fortress of Gibraltar.

"It is great," asserted the equally enthusiastic tourist from Chicago; "I wonder what the British Government would take to let that rock be used for advertising purposes."

CAUSE FOR REJOICING.

Sunday School Teacher: And when the prodigal son returned home his father fell upon his neck and blessed him. Why did he do that?

Scholar: 'Cause he was so glad to think he didn't come back with a wife and family, I s'pose.

NO RECOMMENDATION.

"Did you buy that horse Skeemer wanted to sell you?"

"No, sir-ee! Afraid of him."

Persons afflicted with blackheads should scrub the face with hot water and castile soap nightly, and avoid all greasy or fatty foods, rich soups, cake, pastry, pie, pork, salted meats, rich desserts, butter to excess, cheese, sausage, cocoa and chocolate, and, above all, intoxicants.

The following is an excellent specific for weak and irritable nerves, taken before meals: One teaspoonful of tincture of calumba, in water, and after meals take one teaspoonful, in water, of this mixture: Bromide of soda, four drams; tincture of nux vomica, four drams; compound tincture of lavender up to three ounces.

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Leucorrhœa—"Whites."

This is a disorder from which few women escape at some period of their lives. It is in the nature of nasal catarrh. In a healthy condition the lining membrane of the genital organs secretes sufficient mucus to moisten them, but if the mucus membrane is congested or inflamed, the secretion becomes profuse, irritating and offensive. The best results will follow the use of our Mexican Female Remedy as an injection, and a dose twice a day for some time of that great uterine tonic, Dr. Simmons Squaw Vine Wine, will cure the complaint.

G. W. Irby

Energy, Miss., writes: M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine has been used 20 years in my Father's family for Nervousness, Sick Headache, Dyspepsia, Biliousness. My Sister was confined to bed for months from Enlargement of Liver. Our Doctor gave her up to die. She began taking M. A. S. L. M. and was soon entirely well. There is no just comparison between M. A. S. L. M. and Zeilin's Liver Regulator. The latter by careful test having been found not so reliable has been discarded.

Menstrual Irregularities.

Puberty is the period when menstruation is established. It is the time when the girl becomes a woman, and also the time from which many female diseases date. The menstrual flow usually continues from three to six days and comes on about every twenty-eight days. The quantity exuded varies from two to eight ounces, but the amount consistent with the health of one person may be excessive and weakening in another. The function is regarded as being regular when its effect upon the system is favorable. The departures from healthy menstruation are numerous and should be corrected by using Dr. Simmons Squaw Vine Wine.

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A writer in a magazine has made the prophecy that in 300 years from now the world will know only three languages—English, Russian and Chinese. The English language will be spoken all over North and South America, in Australia, India, Africa, New Zealand and the islands of Australia and the Pacific. The Russian tongue will have conquered all Europe except Great Britain, and all Asia except India. Chinese will hold sway over the rest of the world.

The commissioners in charge of the construction of the new State Capitol of Minnesota have, after several weeks' consideration, decided to build the superstructure out of Georgia marble, announces the Atlanta Journal. The edifice is to cost over a million. When Georgia built her million dollar Capitol, she went to Indiana for the stone. This shows just how far Minnesota is ahead of Georgia when it comes to selecting building stone and how far Georgia is ahead of all other States in producing it.

It is probably the general impression that posters and handbills are modern inventions, but it has just been discovered that the ancient Romans practised this method of advertising. In digging at Herculaneum there was brought to light a pillar covered with bills, one on top of another. The paste used to stick them was made of gum arabic. The bills, when separated and examined, were found to be programmes and announcements of public meetings, and even election proclamations.

The Militar Wochenblatt laments the slackness of the German people in supporting their navy. There are only thirty-four German warships, against England's 226, and to bring Germany up to the proper naval level at least 150 armorclads and cruisers are wanted. German marine trade has so increased within the last few decades that her interests are spread all over the world. There are 100,000 Germans on the West Coast of South America and in Central America, yet no German warships have appeared there since 1891. Whilst Frenchmen pay a sum about equal to $5 for the army and navy yearly, and the Englishmen about $4, the Germans pay about $3, of which only something less than a sum equal to fifty cents goes to the navy.

Maternal love cannot always be that holy thing people generally consider it. A curious proof of the fact comes from Stafford Springs, Conn. A landlord there, thinking to compliment the wife of one of his Italian tenants, told her he wouldn't think of offering her less than his prize-winning brown Leghorn rooster in exchange for such a charming child as the babe of ten months she was carrying in her arms. Two days later the woman called at the landlord's house, demanded the rooster in exchange for her child, and would not be put off until the landlord bribed her with a barrel of apples to call the trade off.

William Spohn Baker, who has just died in Philadelphia, was the owner of a collection of Washingtoniana that many judges pronounced the most complete in existence. It consists of engraved portraits and biographies of Washington, together with boo[k]s on Washi[ng]ton[s],"

GEORGE DEAD.

The Noted Single-Taxer Passes Suddenly Away.

BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

At the Time of His Death He was Candidate for Mayor of Greater New York on the United Democracy Ticket—His Son's Name Substituted for Mayor.

Henry George, the candidate of the Jeffersonian democracy for mayor of Greater New York, died Friday. His death is thought to have been due to apoplexy.

Mr. George had just returned to the Union Square Hotel from several large mass meetings in the Borough of Queens and Brooklyn.

The work of the night seemed to have told on him. He complained of being tired, but his friends and relatives, who awaited him, thought it was only the natural fatigue due that follows such hard campaign work as Mr. George had been doing. Not long after reaching the hotel he retired. It was about 3:30 o'clock when Mrs. George was awakened. She found Mr. George sitting in an arm chair.

Mrs. George at once grew anxious as to her husband's condition. Mr. George gradually grew incoherent and lapsed into unconsciousness.

A call was sent to a physician, and he came without delay. Mr. George was still unconscious. All efforts to revive him failed. Without a sign of recognition to those around him he passed peacefully away at 4:45 o'clock.

SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Henry George, political economist, was born in Philadelphia September 2, 1839. He attended the public schools until 14 years old, learned the printer's trade, went to sea, and settled in California in 1858. He worked at his trade in a newspaper office until 1866, then changed to a reporter, rose to be editor, and became part proprietor. While editor of the Sacramento Reporter he was in harmony with the democratic party, but bitterly opposed to the railroad and other monopolies of the state.

Shortly afterward he entered upon literary work, his first publication, on land-ownership, was Our Land and Land Policy. The attention which this attracted led him to a very detailed and laborious investigation into the causes of industrial depressions and the increase of want with the increase of wealth. In 1879 he published the results of his investigations under the title of Progress and Poverty, and in August, 1880, removed to New York. His books gained an immediate and wide reputation, and within a few weeks after his arrival in New York he was in receipt of requests from all parts of the country to give public expositions of his theories. He then went to Ireland to study the land question. While abroad he lectured throughout England, Scotland and Ireland. Returning to New York and resuming lecturing, his views were adopted by the United Labor party, which made him its candidate for mayor of the city in 1886. He received 68,110 votes against 90,552 for Abram S. Hewitt, democrat, and 60,435, for Theodore Roosevelt, republican.

In 1887 he was nominated by the same party for secretary of state, but was defeated.

His sixth book, Protection or Free Trade, was published in 1886, and The Condition of Labor: An Open Letter to Pope Leo XIII., 1891.

At the time of his death Mr. G[eorge] was a candidate for mayo[r] York, having received [the] tions of the silver D[emo]lites, single ta[x]

MUST TAKE WHAT'S LEFT.

Southern Looms Are Destined to Make the Cotton Goods.

At Thursday's session of the New England Cotton Manufacturers' Association, held in Philadelphia, a large number of technical papers were read. One of the most important papers was by Arthur Parkinson, of Previdence, R. I., on the "Manufacture and Export of Cotton Goods," during which he said:

"It is well known that Southern manufacturers, with the present conditions, can undersell or compete easily with the Eastern mills on medium and coarse fabrics and the future looks dark for New England. The facilities of manufacturers have been so increased that in many lines of goods the existing manufacturing establishments can produce a vast amount more than the United States can consume, and it seems likely each year will cause stagnation for the industry, and, of course, the usual stoppages of the mills during certain periods. As a result of this continued competition in certain lines of goods for the home market, the prices are low, wages are low and tariff legislation cannot help matters for the merchant. The jobber is bound to buy in the cheapest market, and that means Southern looms will be engaged ahead and the New England mills must take what is left."

PULLMAN'S WILL PROBATED.

Two Sons Get But a Small Share—Charible Institutions are Remembered.

The will of George M. Pullman was filed for probate last Thursday. To his widow he left the homestead on Prarie avenue. Sufficient funds are also set aside to provide her with an income of $50,000 yearly during her life. One million dollars each is left in trust for his two daughters, Mrs. Frank O. Lowden, of Chicago, and Mrs. Carolan, of San Francisco. An income of but $3,000 yearly is provided for his two sons, George M. Jr. and Sanger W.

About $150,000 in sums of $10,000 and $20,000 is left to various charitable institutions in Chicago. A sum of $200,000 is given for the erection of a manual training school in Pullman, which is also endowed with $1,200,000. Five old employees are give $5,000 each. Two sisters and two brothers of the dead millionaire are given $50,000 each and another brother gets $25,000.

The total value of the estate is shown by the petition for letters testamentary $7,600,000. Of this amount $6,800,000 is personal property and $800,000 realty.

How They Stand in Georgia.

According to the report of Judge Turner, principal keeper of the Georgia state penitentiary, there are a goodly number of farmers in tho state prison, but only two newspaper men—one reporter and one printer. There are 975 laborers and 863 farmers in the penitentiary. Of the other occupations, none are represented by over 100. Carpenters come next, with 28, and brickmasons next, with 27. There are 24 painters and 21 cooks, 18 sailors and 15 coachmen. Eleven merchants are doing penal service, but the prison walls enclose but 2 newspaper men—1 reporter and 1 printer—while the school teachers show up with 5 convicts, and, strange to say, the preachers are represented by 2 zebra-striped workers. There are 58 women in the penitentiary.

Mississippi Isolated.

Mississippi h[as] s[truck] the final blow against railr[oad] tion in that state so l[ong] fever epidemi[c] it maintinst adns are from zen is- y

NEWS SUMMARY.

Current Events of the Day Epitomized.

A TOWN WASHED AWAY.

A Son Born to Ex-President Cleveland—Peruvian Cabinet Resigns—Louis Redwine Pardoned—Presidential Appointments—Weyler Leaves Cuba.

The Georgia legislature convened last Wednesday.

The Tennessee Centennial closed Saturday night.

The dutchess of Teck, cousin of Queen Victoria, died last week.

Wm. J. Bryan is making a number of speeches in the Ohio campaign.

Wheat is again on the rise, the price having advanced 3 3-4c. the past week.

Heavy frosts fell in Northern Texas and Indian Territory Friday morning.

Hon. Harry C. Truesdell, chief justice of Arizona, died at Phoenix last week.

A freight train ran over and killed Mrs. H. C. Adgate Thursday near Monticello, Ga.

A son was born to the household of Grover Cleveland, the former president of the United States, last Thursday.

General Weyler left Havana Saturday for Madrid accompanied only by his general staff officers and aides de camp.

The Georgia legislature has passed a bill to prevent the hunting or catching of opossums between March 1 and October 1.

At Wilkesbarre, Pa., the grand jury yesterday returned a true bill against Sheriff Martin and his deputies for the Latimer shooting.

Floods have washed away every building in the town of Ahumada, State of Chihuahua, Mexico. The town has a population of 1,200 persons.

Rev. J. L. Burdine, a Baptist preacher at Fickens, S. C., shot and killed his wife and then himself. It is said he was just getting off a spree.

Hiram Gilbert Hotchkiss, president of the H. G. Hotchkiss International Prize Medal Essential Oil Company, and known as the "peppermint oil king," died at Lyons, N. Y., last week, aged 87 years.

A special from Lima says that the Peruvian cabinet has resigned because of the effort of the chamber of deputies to pass a vote of censure. President Pierola has refused to accept their resignation.

The president has appointed Gen. James Longstreet, of Georgia, commissioner of railroads, vice Wade Hampton, resigned, and Meflin W. Gibbs, of Arkansas, a negro, consul at Tamative, Madagascar.

Mrs. Helen Densmore, of California, and London, who has been actively engaged in Mrs. Florence Maybrick's case for four years, for the first time expresses hope that the unfortunate woman will soon be at liberty.

The president has pardoned Louis Redwine, now in the Columbus, O., penitentiary, and convicted in Atlanta six years ago for complicity in the loss of funds in the failure of a national bank. His term would expire November 4.

States Attorney Deneen, of Illinois, has arranged to place the second Luetgert trial on the docket for Monday, November 8. If more time is desired by the defense they will have to secure it by making a formal request for a continuance.

Fire in St. Louis last Wednesday destroyed the white stone building occupied by the general offices of the Wabash railroad. The fire was caused by a lighted cigarette carelessly dropped by a clerk. The estimated loss of the company is $500,000.

Edward A. Scholeder, of Otter [C]reek, Ia., who threatened to emulate [Z]teau if the executive refused [to] cure for him certain rights to [w]he claims to have been wrong-

ALABAMA NEWS ITEMS.

Happenings of a Week Throughout Our Commonwealth.

Fever at Prattville.

There was one death from yell[ow] fever at Prattville Saturday. Th[ere] are no new cases.

Supreme Court Convenes This Week.

The supreme court of Alabama [will] convene in Mongomery Novembe[r] despite the fact that yellow fever prevalent in that city.

Alone in the World.

Centreville citizens served notic[e] the postmistress there not to rec[eive] the mail from the horseback carri[er] who brings it from Randolph, on Selma branch of the Southern railw[ay] and people of that town are hea[r] nothing from the outside world.

Senator Morgan Improving.

United States Senator John Morgan who is in San Diego, Cal. slowly regaining his strength. He been free from fever for over thi six hours, but must remain quiet some days yet. His trouble is du[e] an injury to his knee which he rec[eiv]ed while in Hawaii.

To Operate Gold Mines.

The Alabama-King Mining comp[any] has been reorganized with a capit[al] $100,000 and headquarters in Atla[nta] This company will mine for gol[d] Jackson's Gap, Tallapoosa cou[nty] where it owns the Bonner-Terrell p[ro]erties, containing 200 acres. T[he] development shafts have been sunk several open cuts have been m[ade] Assays of the ore have run as hig[h] $80 per ton.

Selma People Encouraged.

The yellow fever situasion at S[elma] continues to improve. There been no new cases for several d[ays] and all fever patients have been charged. There is not a serious of sickness of any kind in the city. fact, the health of the city was n[ever] better. Quarantine restrictions ag[ainst] all infected localities have been established. Dr. Mullins offers a ward of $1,000 for a trace of ye[llow] fever in Selma, and says there has b[een] none there since 1853.

Removing to Anniston.

The machinery of the United S[tates] Rolling Stock company's plant at [De]catur is being moved to Anni[ston] where it will be combined with company's plant there. It is cla[imed] the removal will cost the com[pany] dear, as they are under an iron contract with the Decatur Land [Com]pany not to move any of the p[lant] An attempt was made some time [ago] to remove it, but it was stopped b[y] junction. Since then the com[pany] made a heavy bond and is now g[oing] ahead doing the thing they were joined not to do.

Harsh Words Produced Death.

Last week at Huntsville Bert Hu[ghes] noticed that his 3-year-old dau[ghter] had her grand-mother's snuff box instructed her to put it away. A[s] in executing his specific reques[t] ered the father, and giving aw[ay] is temper he scolded the child violent manner. From a playful happy expression the child's fac[e] came livid with conflicting emot[ions] her eyes suddenly gave forth a r[ay] ngless stare, and it reeled to the nsensible. Efforts at resuscit[ate] were fruitless, and a physicia[n] summoned, but the child died after his arrival.

Fatal Accident at Gate City.

An accident at the Alabama r[iver] mills at Gate City Thursday mo[rning] resulted in the death of Lindsey kins and William Washington, negroes. A big band wheel i[n] guide mill burst while going at th[e] of one hundred revolutions per m[inute] smashing another wheel nearby ing down rafters about the bu[ilding] and flinging heavy pieces of iron directions. One piece of the over 1,000 pounds in weight thrown into the yard where L[ee] Dorkins and Wm. Washingto[n]

TOWN GIRLS' LITERARY CLUB.

We, the young ladies of the A. P. I. who board in town, met Friday afternoon, October 29th, in the college chapel for the purpose of organizing a literary society.

With the assistance of Mrs. Babb and Miss Stalworth, acting president and secretary pro tem, respectively, we very successfully organized with fifty-three members, cheerfully accepting as a motto this little quotation of Rory O'More, "There is luck in odd numbers."

The following young ladies were elected as officers:

Miss Wilma Saunders, – President.
" Katie Campbell. Vice "
" Neill Chandler, – Secretary.
" Sallie Fuller, – – Treasurer
" Lucile Wilkinson, – Scientist.
" Dora Fondey, – – Bookist.
" Etta Davis, – – Reporter.
" Annie Whitten, – Musician.
" Irene Langley, – – Critic.

The executive committee met on Monday afternoon and selected for the first subject our own beloved State, "Alabama," which, through the medium of this school, is doing so much for the young ladies of the state.

The faculty was unanimously elected to honorary membership.

The society will hold its regular meetings every Saturday evening in the college chapel.

There being no further business before the society, we adjourned.

SECRETARY.

The Hicks 1898 Almanac and Paper.

We are informed that the 1898 Almanac of Prof. Irl R. Hicks is now ready, and judging from its past history, it will not be many weeks in finding its way into homes and offices all over America. It is much larger and finer than any previous one. It contains 116 pages, is splendidly printed and illustrated on fine book paper, having the finest portrait ever given of Prof. Hicks. It will no longer be denied that the publications of Prof Hicks have become a necessity to the family and commercial life of this country. His annual, "Word and Works," aside from its storm, weather and astrological features, has taken rank with the best literary, scientific and family magazines of the age. Do not believe hearsay and reports. See Hicks Almanac and paper for yourself. You will then know why they are so popular. They are educators of the millions, and unrivaled safeguards to property and human life. It is matter of simple record that Prof. Hicks has foretold for years all great storms, floods, cyclones and tornadoes, even the recent terrible drouth over all the country. The Almanac alone is 25 cents per copy. The paper is $1.00 a year and the Almanac as a premium. Address

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2801 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

BLOCTON ITEMS.

Reynolds visited Birmingham today.

J F Curtis visited Birmingham last week.

Will Sims visited home folk Sunday.

Sheriff Vance called to see us a few days ago.

Jeff West, of Calera, is in the city for a few days.

The circuit court was postponed on account of yellow fever.

W D Thomas is in Birmingham attending U S Court.

County George Smith, of Centreville, is in town Tuesday.

S Ambrose, of Bismark, is visiting relatives in our town.

Dan Monroe, of Birmingham, visited Mr Burgess Little, cashier Shelby County Bank, visited home folk last Sunday.

Rev J M McCord preached his farewell sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night.

We had a nice rain on Sunday, which did away with all the dust. Now we want a frost.

The board of health met Saturday night and decided to raise the quarantine, so visitors can come in.

Married, at Belle Ellen, on Thursday night, October 28th, Mr James Fancher and Miss Josie Hudgins.

Rev Dr Whitten preached a most powerful sermon on education at the Methodist church Sunday night.

Somebody had gaul enough to start a barber shop in Col M Sims' back yard by placing their sign there.

Hon Oscar W Underwood, M C, was a pleasant visitor to our town last week. He was enroute to Centreville.

Mr and Mrs S J Morgan returned from their Eastern bridal tour Sunday. They will make their future home in Blocton.

John Morrison has a first-class grist mill, also a blacksmith shop, and can do all kinds of repair work on short notice.

Quite a crowd of young people from our town attended the meeting at Mt Moriah Sunday, and all had to drive back in the rain.

Don't fail to bring your cotton to Blocton. We will pay you more for it than any merchants in Alabama. H C & W B Reynolds.

Married, at the residence of J W Piper, on last Wednesday evening, Mr William Redd and Miss Mattie Harvin. We wish them success on the sea of life.

Rev J M McCord, pastor of the First Baptist church at this place, has resigned, and Rev M P Reynolds of Montevallo, will probably take charge of the church.

Deputy Sheriff A P Davidson arrested a negro named Jud James near Green Pond last Friday who was wanted in Jefferson county for burglarizing railroad cars.

Do your banking business with the Shelby County Bank. All parties living in Blocton can transact their business with the president, William Walker, near postoffice.

We are the largest cash buyers of dry goods, groceries and furniture in Alabama, and will save you money on anything in the dry goods or furniture line. H C & W B Reynolds.

News reached this office Monday of the burning of the school house at Six Mile Saturday night. From all indications the house must have been set on fire. All of the school furniture was lost except the piano.

Coffins are something none of us want until we have to have them, and for the benefit of those who have to buy them, we will guarantee to sell them from 10 to 25 per cent cheaper than any house in Alabama. This guarantee is backed up by the well-known firm of H C & W B Reynolds.

WANTED ACENTS.

"The Confederate Soldier in the Civil War," just published, contains 500 pages 12x16 inches, and over 1,100 large Battle Scenes, Portraits, Maps, etc. The greatest and largest War Book ever published, and the only one that does justice to the Confederate soldier and the cause he fought for. Complete in one volume. Agents wanted everywhere to sell this book on our new and easy plan. Many of the lady and gentlemen agents who are at work are making from $100 to $200 per month. Veterans, Sons and Daughters of Veterans, and others interested are requested to send for a beautiful illustrated descriptive circular (free) and terms to agents. Address, COURIER JOURNAL JOB PRINTING CO., Louisville, Ky.

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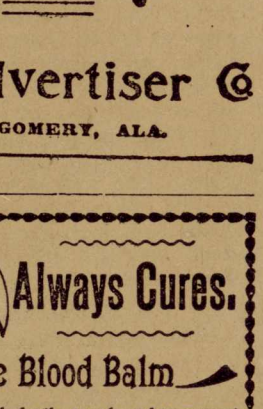
THE DICTIONARY HOLDER

Did you ever learn what fabulous results grow out of the manufacture by Mr. Meyer of an ornamental stand to hold the dictionary? The story reads like a fairy tale, but to tell it one must ask another question: Have you ever noticed the advertisement of the Aermotor Company, which starts out as follows:

45 sold in '88
2,200 sold in '89
6,268 sold in '90
20,040 sold in '91
60,000 will be sold in '92

A Steel Windmill and Steel Tower every 3 minutes. Do These figures tell the story of the ever-growing, ever-reaching, everlasting Steel Aermotor. Where one goes others follow, and we "Own the Country."

Yet that extraordinary growth of business with which it was built up until it is the third largest user of steel in the West (and only exceeded by two of the great Harvester companies) was wholly furnished by the Dictionary Holder business. This brings us back to the Holder, and suggests inquiry as to how it took and held and still holds the field, increasing rapidly from year to year.



The secret of that success is that Mr. Meyer has made a most perfect, artistic, attractive article, and has maintained a high standard of excellence and reduced the article to a low price. The merit of these Dictionary Holders has been so great that they literally sold themselves, and in numerous instances that a small portion of each one has made the result above mentioned.

They have gone to nearly every habitable portion of the globe, even to the remote islands of the sea, and are kept by all dealers.

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They will tell you something in this space next week.

Come and See Them!

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Directory.

CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor—preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m. W. Lyman, Supt. Prayermeeting every Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 P.M. Ladies Aid Society meets at 4 P. M. on Monday after the 2d and 4th Sunday.

METHODIST —Rev. L. P. Abernathy, pastor Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 A. M., S. H. McCauly, Supt. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 P.M

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Central Lodge No. 70, A F & A M—Meets on Saturday nights before first full moon in each month.
J. ALEX. MOORE, W, M.
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C. F. ROBBINS, C. C.
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Local.

Another heavy frost Wednesday morning.

The dormitory is well protected from fire.

Mr. D. B. Lacey, of Maylene, was in town to-day.

Mr. J. H. Harris, of Imogene, was in town Tuesday.

We would like to know what became of that eagle.

WANTED—A pair of good mules. Apply at NEWS office.

Cashier Little visited his best girl at Blocton Sunday night.

Col. J. L. Peters, of Columbiana, was in town yesterday.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Newton & Nolen are doing a land office business at their market.

Brother Farrington is kept busy attending to his large family.

The college has twenty-four sewing machines—twelve new ones.

The editor has had his upper lip cleaned off. Have you noticed it?

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Marching in double file. the girls will reach over a quarter of a mile.

Charleton Smith, of Brierfield, was in town Tuesday and gave us a call.

Our people can rest easy about yellow fever—cold weather has arrived.

Mr. Sam Curry, one of our most successful farmers, was in town Tuesday.

Messrs. W. E Harrison and F. J. Kroell went to Wilsonville Monday on business.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

There are twelve new pianos at the college this session—making a total of thirty.

Ask the junior partner of the White Elephant what a goo-goo is. He can tell you.

Mr. James Vest, of Columbiana, is spending a few days in Montevallo this week.

dam M. Myatt, representing Marx, Birmingham, was day.

has been turned on at , which makes it very e girls.

Messrs. W. E. Lovelady and W. A, Lucas, of Dogwood, were in town Monday.

There are 223 girls learning dressmaking at the Industrial School. Sensible girls.

Six new typewriters have just been received at the college, making fourteen in all.

Mr. Sam Farrington is very well. You would think so if you could see him firing the furnace.

Bob and Will Evans, the hustling janitors at the college, are kept busy making fires these cold days.

By calling at the NEWS office you will learn a secret.

163 pupils are taking music at the Polytechnical institute. You can have all the music you are looking for.

Don't forget that D. J. Moreland is the man that can fix you when you need fixing. He is a fine workman.

We are glod to learn that little Raymond Savage, who has been quite sick for several days, is improving.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

Mr. W. L. Ambrose, of Blocton, was in town last week looking for a strayed or stolen mule. He didn't find it, though.

Morgan Bros. are the up to-date people. Read their new advertisement in this issue. will pay you to visit their store.

$88 00 a session it costs to attend the Industrial School. This is the cheapest school, as well as the best, in the State.

Mr, Joe Smith, of Blocton, who is State quarantine officer between Birmingham and Montevallo, spent Saturday in town.

Messrs. W. B. Reynolds and W. S. Cary spent a few days on the river fishing, this week. We learn they had good luck.

We regret to learn that Miss Alvisson, one of the boarders at the dormitory. is quite sick. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Alex. Wall, proprietor of the St. George hotel, has our thanks for the finely flavored Havana cigars presented this office Tuesday.

This space should be occupied by a friend of ours who don't advertise. If you will guess who he is we will tell you something of interest.

It has not been found necessary to punish a single pupil in the Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo during the month of October. A fine record, that.

Quite an excitement was caused Monday night by the alarm of fire, but it proved to be only soot burning in a chimney at the residence of Mr. Theo Allen.

Mr. W. P. Ryan and Dr. Henry Harrison, of Dogwood, were in town Saturday, and gave us a pleasant call. The doctor left a subscription with us before leaving town.

When you are hungry and want a square meal, call at the White Elephant restaurant, on Main street. Newton & Nolen are the people, and can serve you on short notice.

Editor C. N. Whittaker, of the Sunny Southland, Calera, was in town Saturday, and gave the NEWS office a pleasant call. Come again, brother, you are always welcome.

Rain commenced falling Sunday morning and continued until Monday noon. In the afternoon the wind shifted around to the northwest, and fires were very acceptable before night.

President Reynolds receives many letters from ambitious girls who have taken a primary course, but are not able to enter college. Some noble man could do a great deal of good by starting a fund for such girls.

Mr. B. F. Barber, of Brimingham, had the contract for the steam fitting and plumbing work of the college. President Reynolds is well pleased with Mr. Barber's work. In fact, it couldn't have been done any better. Mr. Barber is located at 313 north 20th street, Birmingham.

Call at the NEWS office and learn something of interest.

Mr. Michael Fulgham, an old citizen of Bibb county, happened to a fatal accident at Randolph one day last week. He was standing in front of his team, when a negro came by with a truck wagon, frightening his horses, which ran over him, causing his death in a few hours.

We spent a part of last Thursday in Brierfield While there we visited the normal college. We believe Brierfield will have a good school. They expect a large number of students next term. Dr. Whitfield will please accept our thanks for courtesies shown us while there.

While strolling around town Saturday night, we heard the name Newton mentioned, and stopped, thinking some one had called us, but after listening awhile we soon found out that Newton wasn't as nice a man as he thooght he was. "Would to God some power would

Messrs J. H. Holcombe manager of E. E Forbe music house of Birmingham and F. S. Rice, traveling salesman of this territory, were in town today shaking hands with friends. Both are energetic young business men and we wish them success.

One of our young men visited his best girl at Newala Sunday. He rode his wheel. It rained while he was there, and the roads got pretty muddy. He started back about 4:30 p. m., and when he got within about four miles of home he had to abandon his wheel on account of the mud. He said he left it under a farmer's wagon shed. He walked in all right enough, and was wet and muddy when he got home.

News reached Montevallo Sunday afternoon that the male and female academy at Six Mile had burned to the ground Saturday night. We have not been able to get any particulars. We regret to hear of this great loss, and hope the good people of Bibb county will get together and erect a new school building at once. Six Mile Male and Female Academy was one of the oldest institutions of learning in the State. It was known far and wide for its educational qualities, and under the superintendency of Capt. Pratt, who was principal of the school for many years, many noble men and women have gone from its halls, and are today living testimonials of old Six Mile Male and Female Academy.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A writer in the current issue of one of the magazines says the average salary of a full professor is $2,000. A full student gets no salary. He gets fired.

Switzerland is importing large numbers of American bicycles. If this thing continues we may presently expect to hear that the Alpine guides have equipped themselves with American wheels.

Clark Geare, of Martinsville, Ind., a war veteran, has just returned $350 of back pension money which he had received on account of physical disability, on the ground that he has recovered his health, and is therefore no longer entitled to a pension. The pension officials say that the case is almost unprecedented.

An enthusiastic church member of Philadelphia has just contributed $1 to the church on his birthday, pledging himself to double the amount on each anniversary of his birth for the rest of his life. If he keeps this pledge and lives long enough the church will have plenty of money, for the amount of his offering on his birthday twenty-five years hence will be something over $16,000,000.

Soldiers, sailors and marines in the active service of the United States are the only persons in the country who can send their mail C. O. D. If their letters are marked "soldier's letter," "sailor's letter," or "marine's letter," as the case may be, and under these words appears the signature of the commanding officer, the postage, but at single rates only, will be collected on delivery.

The vice of intemperance is a hard one to deal with, and in Turkey they have an entirely original way of subduing it. When a society gentleman in the land of the Sultan is found in an intoxicated condition reeling down the street he is taken and given bastinado—a cudgeling; the second and third time he is found in this condition he is chastized, but after the third time he becomes privileged, and is entitled to be carefully taken home by a policeman.

The gradual cooling of the lava which for the last few years has been flowing from the small crater at the foot of the cone of Vesuvius has occasioned an increase of volcanic activity in the central crater, which had become almost obstructed. Now the top of Vesuvius is lighted up every night by the incandescent lava within the crater, while immense pieces are ejected to a great height, accompanied by clouds of steam and ashes. This new activity renders the summit of the mountain difficult to ascend, but the interesting spectacle attracts many visitors.

Wisconsin appears to have a measure of success in the collection of a tax on personal property. A recent compilation of th eassessment roll showed the confessed ownership of 15,574 musical instruments of all [illegible]

use over the mountain trails. They are just as serviceable to flounder through the mud and over the boulders of the treacherous trails as would be better horses, and they can be more readily spared if lost.

An American woman in Spain tells this story in the Independent: "Burguete is near one of the mountain passes leading into France, and from its situation is liable to visits from various orders of tramps anxious to avoid the custom-houses along the regular route. One of these gentry happening to pass through the village the day a certain theft had been reported was arrested on suspicion and whipped severely to force a confession. As nothing but a denial could be wrung from him another vagrant was arrested and subjected to the same treatment, with the same result. It was eventually discovered that a small boy, hidden behind the church tower, had been the culprit. There was no redress for the men; they expected none, and would have been incredulous if told they were entitled to any. Amazed at the indifference with which this act of tyranny was received, I expressed my own indignation. 'What would you?' was the reply, with a gesture intended to throw the responsibility of the act upon the world at large. 'They are worthless fellows; doubtless they have done other evil deeds if not this one.'"

THEY SHOOT HORSES.

Profitable Sport Pursuing the Wild Equines in Nevada.

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The act passed by the last Nevada Legislature authorizing the killing of wild horses throughout the State has developed a profitable industry and camps of hunters have been established at all of the springs and water courses where the bands resort. The hides sell for $2 each and the hair of their manes and tails bring 15 cents a pound. The growth of the latter on the wild equine species is far more profuse than on the tamed animals, a weight of nearly ten pounds of hair being frequently obtained from one carcass.

The first hunters to take the field after the law went into effect realized handsomely, frequently shooting from six to ten a day, but since the slaughter began the animals have come to view man as a relentless foe and as soon as one is sighted or scented by a band they bound away over the hill, plain and canyon at a speed that defies pursuit, never halting while their supposed enemies are in sight or hearing.

The vast plains, hill slopes and valleys in Humboldt County, west of Humboldt River, extending to the Black Rock and Pueblo Mountain ranges on the Oregon and Idaho borders, is a favorite grazing region for wild horses, bands numbering thousands roaming at will over the broad stretches of hill and plain, keeping in fine condition [illegible] sting on [illegible]unch grass, [illegible]exterminated, [illegible]utless herds [illegible]ofore from [illegible]ties as the [illegible] claim the [illegible]s as their [illegible]king cat- [illegible]ndaries. [illegible]e equine [illegible] pounds, [illegible]he wild flowing [illegible]weeping [illegible]venting [illegible]o rarely [illegible]row of [illegible]g, sight [illegible], as the [illegible]be seen [illegible]y when- [illegible]domain. [illegible]hift for [illegible]ded up [illegible]nd soon [illegible]eir cap- [illegible]hter of [illegible]an in- [illegible]erwise [illegible]ion. [illegible]n two [illegible]he heat [illegible]out the [illegible]ns used [illegible]iver oil, [illegible]uch of, [illegible]n, fresh [illegible]uts. [illegible]es that [illegible]cerning [illegible]atment [illegible]mes of [illegible]ts. He [illegible]nuts as [illegible]heir di- [illegible] ladies, [illegible] doctors [illegible]nics till [illegible]t on his [illegible]ncerning [illegible]: "I now [illegible]s. One [illegible]digestive [illegible]d it has [illegible]ut what [illegible]nless it

AMERICAN MUSICAL PRODIGY.

Miss Augusta Cottlow Among the World's Foremost Musicians.

Miss Augusta Cottlow, the American musical prodigy whose home is in Shelbyville, Ill., is said to be one of the foremost musicians in the world. Although not yet out of her studies, she has managed to amaze and delight the leading musicians of Europe with her superb performances on the piano. For the past two years she has been studying under Herr Tappert and Professor Busoni. The latter, when asked by Miss Cottlow for the amount of his charges, replied: "Gussie, there can be no talk of business between artists. You are an artist. Your music delights me. If I can be of any help to you in your career I shall do all in my power for you. You may take my aid as a courtesy from an older artist to a younger one." Miss Cottlow began her musical studies at 3 years of age. At 5 she made her debut in public. From that time she was in demand. At 9 she was placed in charge of Professor Wolfsohn of Chicago and began her studies in harmony and counterpoint under Professor Gleason. She plays the most difficult music from memory. She won New York musicians with her performances of Beethoven's concerto in C, which she played with the Thomas orchestra three years ago. She has lately turned her mind to composition. Her first piece, "A Romanza" for violin and piano, was bought and published in Germany.

MISS AUGUSTA COTTLOW.

The London papers are telling an amusing incident of the Prince of Wales' visit to Canada thirty-seven years ago. On his journey through the provinces a large number of petitions and addresses of welcome were presented to him from every class and society. One address sent by the lumberers and raftsmen of the Ottawa Valley concluded with the words: "Long may you remain Prince of Wales!"

This very doubtful compliment was no slip of the pen, for when the foreman of the raftsmen was questioned on the subject, he declared that the address meant exactly what it said:

"We are perfectly satisfied with the queen, and want her to remain on the throne as long as she can."

In view of the queen's jubilee, this former raftsman, Mr. Alan Manson, wrote the other day to the prince, reminding him of the incident, and received the following reply:

"His royal highness perfectly remembers the incident to which you refer. His royal highness greatly appreciates and thanks you for your kind and loyal sentiments, and he will not fail to make them known to the queen."

An Unfortunate Admission.

Husband (shaving)—"Confound the razor!" Wife—"What's the matter now? You're dreadfully cross-tempered." Husband—"The razor is so abominably dull!" Wife—"Dull? Why, I ripped up an old skirt with it yesterday and it cut beautifully!"—Tid-Bits.

The Minneapolis Journal editorially remarks: "We have just presented an ultimatum to Peru, who owes us $50,000." If Peru knows what is best for her she will lose no time in settling with that Minneapolis editor.

Hungry

The hair is like a plant. What makes the plant fade and wither? Usually lack of necessary nourishment. The reason why Ayer's Hair Vigor restores gray or faded hair to its normal color, stops hair from falling, and makes it grow, is because it supplies the nourishment the hair needs.

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Celina, Tenn., writes: Have used Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine 10 years for Sick Stomach, Loss of Flesh, Low Spirits. It also cures Liver Disease, Biliousness, Constipated Bowels. It does not gripe, and takes less to operate on me than either "Black Draught" or "Zeilin's," and it has a more thorough and gentle effect, and leaves my system in better condition than either "Black Draught" or "Zeilin's."

General Lassitude.

We are provided with five organs for keeping the blood pure; they are the skin, the kidneys, the liver, the lungs and the bowels. The blood becomes impure for one or both of two reasons:

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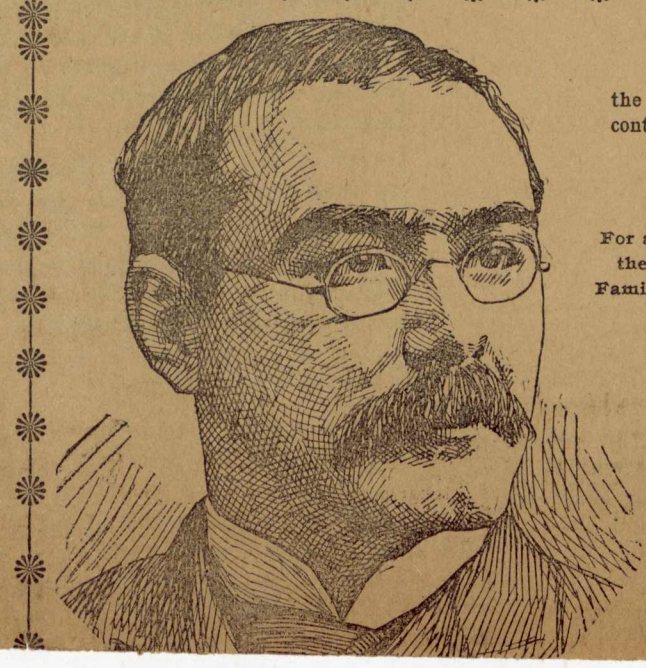

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GATE TO THE GOLD FIELDS.

Wonderful Growth of the Town of Skaguay.

Skaguay is a modern wonder. Not many weeks ago the place practically did not exist. To-day, with its carefully laid out streets and its scores of well stocked and cosy private dwellings, it presents all the appearance of a thriving Northwestern town. Houses are being rushed up with astonishing rapidity, while merchants are so numerous and enterprising that competition has already reduced their wares to almost bottom prices. The starting up of a steam laundry has caused the "biled shirt" to be accepted as good form in this out of the way settlement, while the establishment of thirteen saloons plainly indicates the prevalence of a generous atmosphere of conviviality.

The New York Herald's special correspondent, in an entertaining article published herewith, gives a graphic description of Skaguay as he found it entering the fourth week of its municipal existence. He says:

Nothing in the history of Western boom towns will compare with the mushroom growth of Skaguay. Ben Moore, the man who located the town site, left for the Sound on August 10, at which date there was his own log cabin, the store and the bunkhouse of the Alaska and Northwest Trading Company and a number of tents. When he returned there were whole streets of wooden dwellings, which the owners had themselves located and had paid a registry fee to United States Commissioner Smith of five dollars. Not only were these newcomers permitted to locate on Captain Moore's land on payment of the fee, but it is said that Mr. Smith accepted the fee and gave a registration receipt to half a dozen different people for the same plot of land. The newly appointed Land Commissioner and Register, Mr. Dudley, will therefore have some difficulty in unravelling the conflicting real estate ownership on the town site.

Skaguay is on a tide flat, with a tide running over twenty feet, and therefore has a stretch of half a mile below tidewater mark. All the passengers by big steamers are taken off in row boats, with a pull of from one to two miles, according to the state of the [illegible], when they ar[illegible] on the backs of the boatmen t[illegible]ratively dry land. It is amusi[illegible]r the shrieks of the women [illegible]n the back of the boatmen spl[illegible] through the water.

Only a month ago, w[illegible]en the Willamette landed her couple of thousands of gold seekers, all the freight and passengers' luggage were landed in these small boats, or small scows, and dumped on the shore pell mell, higgledy-piggledy, from which each owner had to hurry to secure his particular goods before the rapidly incoming tide ruined them or swept them away. Immense scows are now in use, big enough to take the whole of a ship's cargo. These, when loaded, float to shore on a high tide, and each owner gets out his own goods as soon as he can, and woe to him whose belongings chance to be near the bottom of the huge pile.

I watched the steamer Queen unload in this way. There was a good deal of hustling, necessarily, but I heard no complaint of any goods being stolen or lost—except temporarily. In fact, [illegible]he whole community seems wonder[illegible]lly honest considering that the black [illegible]ep of the continent are herding in [illegible]direction.

[illegible]chants in tents leave their goods [illegible] outside all right; pilgrims [illegible]ir camps on the trail, with all [illegible]ngings scattered about; yet [illegible]es of pilfering have been [illegible]l only one theft of money. [illegible]the case of a man named [illegible]n, of Seattle, who for [illegible] $1400 in his kit under [illegible]his tent. He left his tent often in perfect confidence, but one day he found his belongings had been disturbed and that the money was gone.

Another Seattle man at once gave him $100 with which to take out his feed, for he had already gotten his goods some distance along the trail. But this was only the beginning of Davison's bad luck. He was one of the first on the trail, and worked beyond his strength. Just past the summit he had an attack of pneumonia, and, getting worse instead of better, had to give up. He is now here waiting for the next steamer, having left his outfit with his partner, who hopes to sell it to some one who will pay for the difficult journey they made with it up the pass.

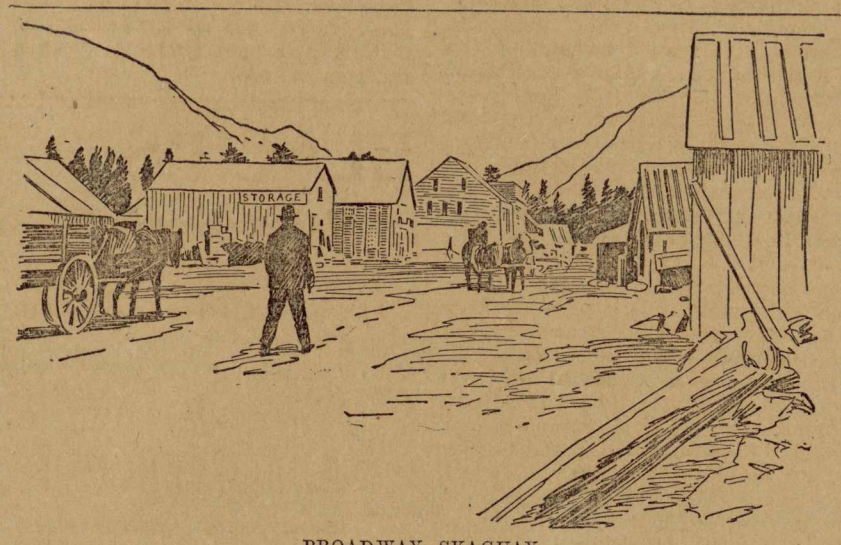
There does not appear to have been any pilfering of goods left on the beach from the steamers. In a short time there will be no chance for this. The two long piers are hotly competing for the honor of being first completed and early next month both will be in operation. That of the Skaguay Wharf Company is already piled to its ocean end, a length of over fifteen hundred feet, in a curving line from the northern to the southern side of the bay, thus blocking off all further competition in this line. This will be known commonly as the Juneau Pier, its promoters being J. P. Jorgensen, hardware merchant; E. Valentine, jeweler, and E. D. Sylvester, editor of the Searchlight, all of Juneau. The other pier will be known as the Seattle Dock, as it is largely backed by capital from that Sound city. This starts from the street south of Broadway and runs straight to the completed dock under the cliff. Both will have warehouses, to which goods will be taken direct from the ship, and there await the proper claimants.

These two great piers are impressive to the incoming stranger, who knows that the town is only a month old, but as to the rest he can see but little from the steamer's decks. Tents dot the shore the whole of its width, with here and there a small wooden building. The latter are rapidly taking the place of the canvas homes and stores, for the reason that cold weather and heavy rains have set in, and more especially very high winds. Captain McKinney, the Chairman of the Vigilance Committee, estimates that there are now one hundred and fifty buildings of wood, and that there would have been many more but for the scarcity of lumber. There is a sawmill hard at work now, lumber is coming in by every steamer, and nearly every one having the purpose to winter here is putting up a habitation of wood. Many are erecting larger and more substantial buildings than their needs require, as a speculation, hoping to sell at a large profit when the rush is renewed next spring and when they once more pack up for the Klondike.

Probably as many as fifty of such substantial dwellings are going up.

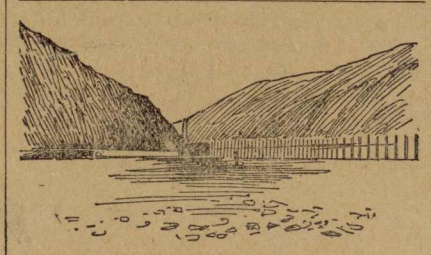
A curious phase of the situation among those who have decided to winter here is that nearly every one of them believes that he has just the natural gifts necessary to make a successful merchant. They are all putting their great stakes into goods, which they hope to turn into money again, with a large profit, by the spring, and then sell out an established business when the weather permits them to leave for the gold fields. Thus is the new city building up. There are thirteen saloons, a majority of their proprietors having plans for getting to the Klondike as soon as possible, and there are between three and four hundred merchants of whom the same thing may be said.

Not only on Broadway, but along the intersecting streets and among the big timbers on each side of the trail, are these merchants' tents and stores, little and big, and all sorts and conditions of men are interested in them, from the spectacled, muscleless store clerk, clumsily handling the saw and the axe on his new building, to the stolid backwoodsman, to whom the making of change is a difficult mental operation.



BROADWAY, SKAGUAY.

One would think that the town would be overdone with so many merchants, and perhaps it will be soon, when the steamers are fewer and passengers on them not numerous enough to be worth mentioning. But there is a population of over five hundred still in tents, and it is believed that there will be continual coming and going until the beginning of December, to be then renewed the month following. So many merchants, however, has had the effect of bringing down prices, which, considering the freight charges, are now rapidly getting to the bottom, making it nearly as cheap to winter here as at Juneau or any other northern point.



SKAGUAY BAY.

But the visitor must not expect luxuries. He must be content with a bunk and provide his own bedding. The bunk will cost him from seventy-five cents a night up. Meals at cheap restaurants are fifty cents each. He will, however, in all probability, hire a tiny shack and learn to cook for himself if he is to be a gold hunter. Then, as before stated, he will find the price of the bare necessaries of life no higher in proportion than Seattle. Flour is $1.50 per sack, potatoes $1.25, bacon twelve to fifteen cents per pound.

The infant city is well laid out, and not only on Broadway but on most of the side streets on either side up to where the trail turns off to the left into the timber there are new stores and residences. Among the timber also there are many merchants, in tents or rough shacks. In the early history of the city—that is, three weeks ago—boiled shirts were publicly derided, as were also shaven chins. Now there are four barber shops and two or three signs reading "Troy Laundry." There is also a bath house in course of construction, and this is a luxury that tired men coming off the trail will appreciate. Lumber is still scarce, rough lumber at nine dollars per thousand feet at Seattle selling for about twenty-five dollars here. There is little doubt that a hundred or more buildings will be erected during the next thirty days.

Now, what are the prospects of Skaguay's permanency? The men who are building the wharves and the three-story hotel and other buildings evidently believe in its future growth and prosperity. Yet there is nothing to give it the slightest hope of permanency except as an entrance to the gold regions. That they do not at the present time possess any such entrance that is at all what a highway for the expected crowds in the spring should be is conceded. But the intention now is to build a wagon road along the Skaguay River to the foot of the mountain. This will cost a great deal of money, but it will in all probability be carried out, for every one who has made an investment here understands the situation. It is estimated that from 100,000 to 150,000 gold seekers will flock to Alaska next spring, and that they will begin to come in in February. Skaguay must be able to announce long before then a better trail than the present one or the trade will pass her by and the town boom will be "hushed." She will also have others besides the Dyea trail to compete with, and, in short, her future depends entirely upon her making the best inland route to the Yukon territory that can be made. Her citizens are remarkably public spirited and liberal. A town meeting two nights ago subscribed $1500 for fire protection in a few moments. A surveyor is now mapping out a route for a wagon road along the river. Money will have to be raised to meet the cost of this road and work on it be started immediately to insure the permanency of Skaguay as a port and as a town of even its present proportions.

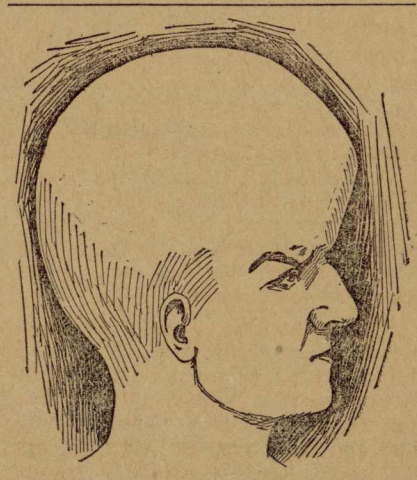
THE BEGINNING OF THE TRAIL.

WILL USE NO LANGUAGE.

How Coming Generations Will Look and Act, According to a Scientist.

This is the way Dr. R. M. Burke, President of the psychology section of the British Medical Association, says the head of the man of the future will look.

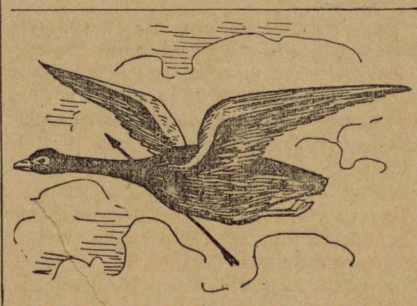
The new race, he says, will use no language because it will need none. The interchange of thought between individuals because it will be simply a mental effort on the part of each unaccompanied by any physical manifestation whatever. As one person evolves his idea the other will instantly grasp it by means of a subtle telepathy, which even now is the gift in a more or less modified form of many people who are only vaguely conscious of their strange power, and, in many instances, too timid and fearful of ridicule to publicly confess it or attempt to develop it. With future generations this gift will become more and more frequent in individuals and of greater and greater power, until this silent interchange of thought is at last as common as is now speech and writing. Nor will his powers stop even there. He not only will be able to exchange thoughts with people thousands of leagues away, but will be able to see them as distinctly as though they were physically present and even see if he chooses what is passing anywhere in the world. There will be an end of eyes and ears, the gross physical channels through sensations now must pass to the mind. They will all go, for they will all be useless—as useless as the mechanism of the voice, by which sensations and ideas are now conveyed from the mind outward. There may be some scar or meaningless excresence where these organs once were, just as now there are physiological suggestions of man's ape origin—humiliating reminders of the brute ancestry from which the godlike being was evolved. But that will be all, and even that will melt away and disappear at last.



HEAD OF THE MAN OF THE FUTURE.

Thousands of Miles Arrow-Pierced.

Some years ago H. N. Clement, an Indiana farmer, shot at a flock of wild geese in the Kan Ka Mee marsh and bagged several of them. One of them wore as a breastpin an arrow nine inches long. The arrow was so unique in formation that it could be ascribed to no tribe of Indians in the United States or in any other country. Finally Professor O. T. Mason, of the National Museum, said the bird and arrow could have come from no other place of the globe than the Yukon Valley. Thousands of miles the goose had flown with an arrow in its breast before turning up its legs at the shot of a Hoosier farmer.



FLYING FROM THE YUKON PIERCED BY AN ARROW.

American Woman Honored.

Mrs. May French Sherman, the African explorer, recently elected a member of the English Royal Geographical Society, is the only woman ever thus honored. She is an American by birth.

ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Fatal Affray in Cherokee County.

In a difficulty that occurred at Noah between Henry Kines and Hiram Jordan Kines received a blow on the head that will probably prove fatal.

May Build Two Furnaces.

It is stated that the Howard-Harrison Iron Company, of Bessemer, is shortly going to considerably enlarge its plant by the erection of two furnaces to furnish the pipe works with the pig iron needed to make pipe.

Opened and Adjourned.

According to program the members of the supreme court went to Montgomery Saturday, and organized and adjourned court until November 29. A special train carried them to the capital where they remained thirty minutes.

Two Fatal Accidents.

Two fatal railroad accidents occurred near Stevenson within the last few days. Sunday "Uncle" Charley Caperton, a negro said to be over 100 years old, was run over by a train and killed, and Tuesday John Shirley, a young man who lives near Bass, was run over and killed near that place.

A New Industry.

Ground has been broken for the plant of the Southern Iron and Steel company at Birmingham. The company will manufacture iron columns, structural iron and wire fencing and will start with a capital of $25,000. About fifty skilled workmen will be employed and from present prospects the plant will be kept running the entire year.

Misfortune, Then Reward.

Near Huntsville two weeks ago Mr. Williams had the misfortune to lose by fire his house with its contents, baled cotton and farming implements, in fact everything he possessed. A few days ago he received a letter from a friend in Texas summoning him to come at once and take possession of 1,500 acres of rich farming land, to which he had fallen heir through death of an uncle.

Quarantine Raised.

The Governor issued a proclamation Thursday raising the quarantine as to all that portion of the State lying north of a line running east and west through Calera. Persons from all infected districts can now enter the northern part of the State, except where local quarantines are still maintained. Mayor Evans, of Birmingham, also issued a proclamation declaring the quarantine annulled against all cities and towns.

A $70,000 Fire at Selma.

There was a large fire in Selma Wednesday. The blaze started in the business house of Cawthon & Coleman and burned furiously. It caught from the cellar where a negro turned over a lamp and set off a lot of turpentine. The loss on their stock will be $60,000, insurance $30,000. The building is damaged about $5,000. Ullman & Son, from smoke and water, will be damaged $5,000, fully insured.

Extract From the Treasurer's Report.

The State Treasurer has made his annual statement for the year ended September 30. The receipts for the year were shown to be $2,174,644.37, and the disbursements $2,188,955.20. This excess of disbursements arose from the fact that several extraordinary expenses incurred by the State were paid by the treasurer during the year. Among others the expense incident to holding the last legislature; that incident to the preparation and printing of the new code, and increased appropriations to the Girls' Industrial school at Montevallo, and other State institutions. The new tax laws and the improved business methods that are being enforced new in the several counties of the State will, it is believed, cause the treasury to show a handsome profit next year.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

T. W. Lloyd has been appointed postmaster at Dolomite.

Work on the Atlanta and Alabama Air-Line in the vicinity of Selma is progressing rapidly.

Abraham B. Jones, of this state, has been appointed by President McKinley as consul at Tuxpan, Mexico.

In the U. S. Court at Birmingham the Cahaba wreck cases came up Friday and were continued to Nov. 22.

The broom makers of Birmingham have organized and elected officers. Efforts are also being made to form a union among bicycle makers and repairers.

The annual coal product of Montana has showed an uninterrupted increase each year since 1877.

Influence of the Imagination.

Fear has killed many a man before to-day. There is an old story of a king whose favorite was condemned to die for a crime. Before his execution, however, it was discovered that he was innocent, and the king, in order to give his favorite and agreeable surprise, took the place of the executioner, using a towel instead of an axe. But the man was killed as instantly as if his head had been cut off.

In modern times some French men of science obtained permission to perform similar experiment on a man condemned to be guillotined. They bound him to a table, and told him that arteries would be opened in various parts of his body, and that he would be bled to death. He could not expect to live more than half an hour. He was then blindfolded. He was pricked in various parts of the body, and at the end of half an hour was dead, although he had lost very little blood.

The Common Goal.

Hurry—What's the great aim of modern life?

Scurry—To be rich enough to get everything one doesn't want.—Brooklyn Life.

Natural Selection.

"I don't know what's going to become of that boy of mine. He was never known to get anything right."

"Make a weather prophet of him."—Exchange.

A rich man's wife has a better time than a poor man's wife, but the richest man is always the hardest working man in every community.

Only two cures in 111 years, with no break in the church services, is the record of the village of Vallon sur Gee, in the department of the Sarthe, France. Abbe Pineau held the place from 1785 to 1842, when Abbe Paris, who is still the parish priest, succeeded him.

A Georgia editor who is traveling abroad writes to his paper from Rome to say: "We are greatly shocked to find this city in such a state of decay." Well, it used to be quite a lively town, but of course after the late Julius Caesar took that Roman punch from Mr. Brutus and quit the city government fell into the hands of ward politicians and the town went to pieces. Is it any wonder that the Coliseum leaks?

A Good Honest Doubter

is a person we like to meet. We like to have such a man try Tetterine. He will be more enthusiastic than anybody else once he's cured and convinced. Tetterine is for Tetter, Eczema, Ringworm and all skin diseases. 50 cents a box at drug stores or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At last Mr. Henry M. Stanley has emerged from the matrimonial obscurity into which he plunged some five years ago.

A farmer in Madison County, Indiana, announces that he has discovered a new corn. Well, he'd better look after it a little before it becomes too troublesome.

There are now twenty-seven societies in the United States membership in which depends on descent from ancestors who distinguished themselves by coming over to America at an early date, or by being participants in American wars prior to 1861.

Lake City, Florida, has set out to make the dancer pay the fiddler in a novel way. The town has appointed a single night watchman and decreed that he shall be paid at the rate of $2.50 for each arrest made, the prisoner to furnish the money.

"Until recently," remarks the Boston Transcript, "we believed that oxygen rendered the protoplasm of the organ phosphorescent with disengagement of the phosphoretted hydrogen." It is indeed a sweetly solemn thought, brother, that at last you have been set right upon that all-important matter.

The gold production of 1897 is likely to exceed that of 1896, which was the largest in the history of the world. Advices from Eucador show that mines being developed there are reported richer and more extensive than those of South America, where such enormous quantities of gold have recently been produced.

In the French navy it has been found that the electric search-light employed on men-of-war injuriously affects the eyes of seamen who have to work about the light, and dark blue spectacles are supplied to them for protection. Brown eyes are less affected than gray or blue ones, the reason suggested being that the former are more heavily charged with pigment.

A Philadelphia policeman the other day arrested a little boy in knee breeches, to the great indignation of some bystanders, who went to the station house to make a complaint against the policeman. At the station they learned that the little boy was "Dublin Joe," a notorious pickpocket, forty years old, and that his pockets were filled with other people's money. No complaint was entered.

A young student in a certain theological seminary recently persuaded a fellow-student to listen to him while he rehearsed a sermon. His subject was "Light." With a violent gesture with the right arm he said, "Blot out the sun." With a similarly frantic movement of the left arm he roared, "Blot out the moon!" Then, with a combined gesture made up of both arms, he bellowed, "Blot out the stars!" But it was enough. The auditor arose to leave with a hoarse, cruel whisper, "Turn off the gas."

In the single State of Massachusetts there are more than 1,200 miles of electric railway, while in England, Scotland and Ireland combined there are only 200 miles. Moreover, nearly all the electric roads in the British Islands have been built and equipped by American contractors. This country has led all others in the use of electric power for traction purposes, and the construction of similar roadways in other nations is conducted almost exclusively in accordance with American models and methods.

A Cincinnati firm of contractors is making considerable trouble among business men of its class in that city by its unusual methods. One of the firm is an old circus man, and being well acquainted with the capacity of elephants for work, he secured one of the animals, which is now used on the firm's contracts for grading. The monster is hitched to an immense plow, saving the work of ten horses and five or six men, and the firm for which he works is thus enabled to underbid all competitors because of the saving made.

In commenting on the automatic hot-water supply now furnished in certain parts of London by dropping a penny in a slot machine attached to a lamppost, "The London Telegraph" suggested that food may soon be furnished in the same way. Whereupon a correspondent writes: "It may interest some of your readers to know that the problem is already solved, and that in the exhibition grounds at Brussels there is a cafe which provides hot and cold luncheons entirely by the automatic method, and I can say from experience that they are very good. By placing a franc in the slot a chop or steak, with potatoes, can be procured, hot and well cooked; another franc will produce a half-bottle of wine; half a franc will supply a plate of cold meat, with salad and roll, and a nickel of ten centimes will extract a piece of bread and butter and cheese, or a 'brioche.' Besides all this a nickel will draw an excellent glass of hock from one of the two large vessels in the centre of the cafe."

Again the important question, "How Long are Women Beautiful?" is disof beauty does not reach itshrdludlu cussed in an English journal, one writer maintaining that "the fullness under the age of thirty-five or forty." This claim is disputed by another writer, who cites the opinion of women themselves, as shown by the undoubted fact that "any woman who craved admiration on the score of her personal appearance would be vastly more pleased were her age to be guessed as being thirty rather than forty." Well, it all depends, as Pitti Sing would observe. The race and the woman must be considered. In some tropic lands women are either wrinkled and shriveled or fat and shapeless grandmothers before they reach the age mentioned. In England and in this country it often happens that the "fullness of beauty" in women "does not reach its zenith under the limit of thirty-five or forty." The age limit is very elastic, depending on many things that help to make or mar the beauty which is woman's most coveted possession.

In the Atlantic Monthly the celebrated African explorer announces his return to the literary workshop by discussing at some length the progress of civilization on the dark continent. "Twenty-five years ago," says Mr. Stanley, "the whole of central Africa was nothing more than a continental slave park. To-day it is largely the abode of intelligence and civilization. In 1884 began the partition of Africa among the various European powers, with the result that the French Congo now has a population of 9,000,000; German East Africa, 7,000,000, and British Africa, 10,000,000. In addition to the evidences of progress which these figures represent the tide of civilization has poured into Africa from all parts of the globe. According to Mr. Stanley the area of central Africa is equal to that of the United States, including Alaska, with half of Mexico added. Its population at the present time numbers 48,000,000, of which 3,000,000,000 are whites. On account of the vast fertility of central Africa the future of this favored region is bright with promise.

How it All Happened.

He was in doubt.

There was no particular reason why he should be in doubt, but, of course, that has nothing to do with the case. Up to a certain point in the courtship it is the privilege of every lover to be in doubt, and if he were not he would be tempted to believe something was wrong.

On this particular evening he made up his mind that he would reach the point where doubt ends or know the reason why.

Thus it happened that he got a little closer to her than usual, when he found that they were sitting side by side on the sofa.

"Did you ever think about marriage?" he asked.

"No," she replied.

Of course, that was a lie. Of course, he knew that it was a lie, and she knew that he knew it. Consequently she wished that she hadn't answered so hastily; but that is so customary to a woman that it should attract no attention.

"If I were a woman like you," he said reproachfully, "I would think of it."

"Would you?" she inquired carelessly.

"Yes, I would," he answered agressively.

"Perhaps, she suggested tantalizingly, "you wouldn't mind telling me just what course your thoughts would take—if you were a woman like me."

"I don't know that I can give the exact course of reasoning," he answered, fearful that he might be getting beyond his depth, "but if I were a woman like you I feel pretty reasonably sure that I would marry a man like—er—like me."

"You do?" she said, coloring a little, but still speaking in the same tantalizing tone.

"Yes, I do," he returned doggedly.

"Well, if I were a man like you," she asserted, "I wouldn't expect a woman like me to do anything of the sort until a man like you had asked her to."

It is no trick at all to hold the course or true love after the mariner once gets his bearings so long as the signal lights continue to burn, and thus it happened that their bark sped merrily on its way.—Chicago Post.

The Use of a Cat's Whiskers.

A cat's whiskers may seem to you to be merely ornamental. They are organs of touch, attached to a bed of fine glands under the skin, and each of these long hairs is connected with the nerves of the lip. The slightest contact with these whiskers with any surrounding objects is thus felt most distinctly by the animal, although the hairs themselves are insensible. They stand out on each side of the lion as will as the common cat. From point to point they are equal to the width of the animal's body. If we imagine, therefore, a lion stealing through a covert of wood in an imperfect light, we shall at once see the use of these hairs. They indicate to him, through the nicest feeling, any obstacle which may present itself to the passage of his body; they prevent the rustling of boughs and leaves, which would give warning to his prey if he were to attempt to pass too close to a bush; and thus, in connection with the soft cushions of his feet and the fur upon which he treads—the claws never coming into contact with the ground—they enable him to move toward his victim with a stillness equal to that of a snake.

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Euphemia McKay, a Cook of Long Island, Gets a Big Fortune.

Here is a portrait of Miss Euphemia McKay, the cook who has fallen heir to a large fortune. She has gone to her old home in Scotland to receive $1,000,000 left to her under the will of her uncle, who went away to Africa years ago while she was a child to seek his fortune.

EUPHEMIA M'KAY.

In time the child, growing into a woman, came across the ocean and settled in Canada. Twenty years of the drudgery of domestic service made but a little change in her. In the course of these years her father and mother died, and the uncle returned to Scotland with his fortune. Of late Miss McKay has been employed by Mr. Lawrence, of Bayside, L. I., as a cook. She says she has no higher ambition than to make her home in Flushing and help the poor.

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Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, consul-general at Havana, sailed for his post of duty on the 10th inst.

The Sunny Southland of Calera has moved up salt river. We understand they will issue tri-annually.

The backbone of yellow fever is about broken, and refugees are beginning to return to their different.

Ex-Congressman Alex. C. Davidson, of Pery county, died at his home near Uniontown Sunday morning.

The Advertiser continues to roast the governor for leaving the capital and making Birmingham the temporary seat of government in order to get away from the yellow fever at Montgomery. The governor didn't want yellow fever.

Cotton is lower than it has been in many years, and while there is no prospect of the price getting very much better, yet we believe if the farmers could hold it until next spring they could realize a much better price for it. But it is not always good policy to hold cotton.—Ex.

The continued increase in price of flour should be a warning to our farmers to raise wheat. The greatest difficulty we labor under is lack of good mills to grind it. Then, too, our people think any poor land will do for wheat and that it's as well to plow shallow as deep for raising wheat. All this is a sad mistake. The better the land, the deeper it's broke, the more pains you take soaking the seed in blue stone, getting seed from north of us and other advantages, the better it will pay. Let our farmers have their mercnant send to Tennessee and get two best varieties of seed wheat and begin anew to raise home supplies. It will pay you.

While in Tuscaloosa last week the editor called at the county jail where Stoneking is in a cell charged with murder. After talking with the prisoner a short while we found him inclined to be a peaceable, quiet citizen, although there seems to be strong prejudice against him. He has a family in Tuscaloosa, and some of the best people in that city say he was justifiable in doing what he did. Where prejudice exist people only look on one side of the question. We have had experience along that line and know whereof we speak. Justice should be done at all times and under all circumstances. People are sometimes deprived of their liberty unjustly.

call especial attention to the sement of the Atlanta Consti sixth missing word contest, und elsewhere. We have ngements to club our pae Weekly Constitution. ant to enter the contest chance of winning a l at the NEWS office r both papers, and be forwarded at

BLOCTON ITEMS.

Hon. J M. McMaster returned Saturday from Birmingham, where he has been attending U. S. court.

Mr. G. D. Mitchell, of the Montevallo News, visited home folk Sunday.

Quite a number of our professional men visited Centreville Saturday on some contest business.

We are glad to see our friend, Dan Belcher, up again after an illness of three months.

Editor Rice and Attorney Campbell visited Tuscaloosa last week.

Our barber, John Reid, visited Jamesville last week.

N. L. Wilson and T. C. Wallace returned Saturday night. We don't know what success they had, but hear they have the names of Messrs. Nelson Fuller, Dave and Ad Cruise to their valuable document,

Don't you forget that Elocton is the place to do your trading. We can safely say that there is no yellow fever nor small pox in our town.

Professor Williams, of Belle Ellen, was in the city Sunday.

We regret very much to learn of the illness of Miss Gracie Hill, of McGraw Town.

Rev. A. E. Burns, of Gadsden, preached at the First Baptist church here Sunday morning and night.

Mr. H. E. Reynolds visited home folk at Montevallo Sunday.

Mr. M. C. Caldwell, of Bismarck, was in the city a few days since.

Mr. Sam Cottingham, of Randolph, was in the city this week.

Dr. C. M. Campbell, of Scottsville, spent Sunday with his parents in Campbelltown.

Mr. Forest Collier visited Birmingham Monday.

Editor Rice and Attorney Campbell spent a few days this week in the Magic City on legal business.

Mr. B. H. Ellard, of Centreville, was in town a few days ago.

McCool sells groceries and miners' supplies as cheap as any house in Blocton.

Rev. Sutton Smitherman, pastor of Campbell Town Baptist church, filled his regular appointment Sunday.

Richard Jesse Nelson arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. L. Nelson, of Campbelltown, one day last week.

Professor Langston, of Six Mile, was in the city a few days since on professional business.

We regret to say that Mr. Cundiff Robertson is very sick with typhoid fever at the residence of Mr. Dison, in Campbelltown.

Why not come in and pay up your subscription? You know it is due. Don't fail to come in and settle same at once.

NEWS-HERALD,
Per R. L. Rice, Manager.

Mr. B. M. Huey, Jr., Southern Express agent at this place, who numbers his friends by the score, was married on Wednesday night, 10th inst., to Miss Rosa Haynes, of Sardis, Ala.

Married, at the Stroupe House, in this city, on the 10th inst., by Rev. M. W. Robison, of Bessemer, Mr. Frank M. Holly, of Centreville, and Miss Emmie Palmer, of Blocton.

Married, at the Campbelltown Baptist church, on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock, by Rev. Sutton Smitherman, Mr. Samuel Lindsey and Miss Mary J. Blake. We extend congratulations to the young couple and wish for them a long, happy and prosperous life.

The News-Herald wishes all three of the young couples a long and happy life. This beats the record three weddings in one town in one day.

SPRING CREEK.

Mr. Thomas Alexander, of Elliotsville, visited Spring Creek on Sunday last. We learn that he has purchased the Black farm, and will in the near future make this his home We welcome him.

Since the cottou picking season is over, Prof. Yeager's school has increased in numbers. He is doiug fine work in the school room

Mr. William Large, of Brierfield, visited his sister, Mrs. Huff, this week.

Messrs. Edwards and Northcutt, of Chilton county, visited the family of John Allen this week.

Mr. William Prestridge had a very valuable horse to fall and break its leg on last Sunday.

Several of our farmers are making preparations to sow wheat.

Some people have a great curiosity to know who Billie is. They don't think he is very smart. Billie can't see himself as others see him.

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METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.
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Local.

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M. A. Owen, of Brierfield, was in town Monday.

Mr. John Hunter, of Maylene, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Henry Burke, of Ashby, was in town yesterday.

Sheriff Vest, of Columbiana, was in towu yesterday.

The dormitory dining room will seat 90 at one time.

Trade is a little dull on account of the low price of cotton.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

A new fence has been placed around the college campus.

Quite a crowd came over from Calera Friday to visit the college.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Mr. G. D. Mitchell spent Saturday and Sunday with his family at Blocton.

You can get home baked bread now. Best's bakery is running full time.

Three new girls at the college last week, and several more expected soon.

Mr. Herbert Reynolds, of Blocton, spent Sunday with his father's family here.

Mr. Morgan Lisle, of Blocton, was in town Tuesday, and gave us a pleasant call.

A. C. DeShazo is building a residence in south Montevallo, nezt to Mr. A. M. Cross.

Mr. C. C. Vandegrift informs us that orders are coming in every day for his Imogene coal.

Mr. J. J. Little, of Blocton, spent Sunday ic our town witn his son, Mr. Burgess Little.

Mr. J. J. Carlisle has returned from Talladega, where he has been visiting his mother.

Rev. M. P. Reynolds preached a very impressive sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night.

President Reynolds is having the chapel stairway covered. Probabiy he thinks it will rain soon.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

The quarantine has been raised in the northern part of the State, and we have regular train service now.

The college well is ninetv feet deep, and the tank fifty feet high. The pump will force water 200 feet.

The dormitory fire escape is being changed and improved. Mr. Edwards, of Birmingham, is doing the work.

We understand that Rev. M. P. Reynolds has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist church at Blocton.

A young man of our city sent a young lady a basket of grapes with his picture to prevent them from becoming seen.

Mr. T. A. King, travelling salesman for E. E. Forbes' music house, Birmingham, is at home for a few days on the sick list,

Major Strong loses the postoffice, and we regret to see him leave. He has made us a good postmaster, and we will miss him much.

We spent Saturday at Aldrich. Everything was very lively out there. In fact, it looked a little like Montevallo—everything so busy.

Mr. George A. Peters, of Maylene, spent part of Sunday with the editor. Mr. Peters lived quite awhile in Colorado, the editor's old home.

While on a professional visit to Calera Monday, Dr. Givhan's horses became frightened at a train and ran away, making a wreck of his buggy.

Dr. F. F Crowe has been appointed postmaster at this place. We wish the doctor much success, and believe he will make us a good postmaster.

Dr. Andrews, editor of the Alabama Advocate, preached at the Methodist church Sunday. The doctor never fails to interest his congregation.

Mr. L. S. Craddock removed his family to Shelby, Ala., last week, where they will in future reside. We wish Mr. Craddock much success in his new home.

Mr. Thomas McCumber, supervisor for the Singer Manufacturing Co., with headquarters at Birmingham, was in town Friday aud gave us a pleasant call.

James Tenny, of Columbiana, was in town a few days ago looking for a location for a blacksmith shop. We understand he will occupy Mr. Vest's shop after January.

Our churches can't hold all who would like to attend services. There was an overflow service at the Baptist church Sunday, the Methodist church couldn't hold them all.

Mr. Dave Woolley has accepted a position with Mooney & Woolley, at Strassburg. He said he couldn't do without the NEWS, and sent us fifty cents for six months subscription.

Rev. A. E. Burns, a travelling evangelist, and also a most excellent preacher, will fill the pulpit at the Baptist church to-night (Thursday.) If you want to be well entertained, don't fail to go and hear him.

On the fourth Sunday in this month, at 7 o'clock p. m., there will be a union thanksgiving service at the Baptist church, consisting of several short talks, songs and prayers. All are cordially invited.

Mr. Alex. A. Wall, proprietor, of the St George hotel, has just received a beautiful register, made by the Hatch Hotel Register Co, of Des Moines, Iowa. The register contains advertisements from several of the leading business firms in town.

Thirteen seems to be a favorite number with Mrs. Hudson. Her department has 13 instruments, her postoffice box is No. 13, and thirteen girls board at her boarding house.

In company with Rev. P. L. Abernathy, we visited Concord last week, one of Bro. Abernathy's churches. While there, we visited the school. Mr. James Moore, the teacher, treated us with a great deal of courtesy. If appearance counts anything, Mr. Moore has a fine school, as everything is fixed up so nicely. He takes a great interest in his school, which is the best we have ever seen in the county. Bro. Abernathy made a very interesting talk to the pupils. We certainly enjoyed our trip, and hereby extend thanks to Bro. Abernathy for his kindness.

Mr. W. B. Reynolds, who owns the building occupied by the Shelby County Bank, has just had a beautiful sign painted on the large glass front of that building. The sign is composed of only three words—"Shelby County Bank," and is "a thing of beauty and a joy forever." This pretty sign was painted by Mr. Frank Vest, of Birmingham. Mr. Vest is a son of Sheriff Vest, and was born and reared in Montevallo, where he has a host of friends, who are always glad to hear of his success. This beautiful work of art cost $50 00, and must be seen to be appreciated.

We took in several of the departments at the college yesterday. Mr S B Gibson chaparoned us. We were very much interested in the typewriting department, which is conducted by Mr. Gibson. He has 13 machines and 65 pupils. More so in the telegraphy department. Mrs. Hudson told us several things we didn't know. We were afraid to talk much, as we did't know any too much about telegraphy—it all sounded alike to us. We didn't forget the cooking department. Mr. Gibson promised us a lot of good things. We found that the girls liked good things as well if not better than ourself. They left the dishes, but that was about all. Miss Evans, who has charge of this department, promised to save something for us next time. She has 12 classes and 210 pupils.

The Dormitory Polytechnic Club had its second meeting at the hall on Saturday, Oct. 30th, but owing to the illness of one of their number, only a part of their program was carried out. The hall was prettily decorated for hallow'een. One feature of the occasion was a mammoth pumpkin man that winked and blinked from his elevated position in the corner in solemn approbation of the evening recitation and songs, interspersed with the usual hallow'een observances of telling fortunes, etc. The club wore the colors of orange and blue, and decided upon a monogram pin of gold.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Saturday, Nov. 13th.

The D. P. C. reporter will be glad to furnish some items for the NEWS of each meeting.

Among other things we are happy to announce that we have at length had steam turned on in the building and our rooms made exceedingly comfortable, as the friends most interested in the proceedings of the dormitory might possibly discover by the use of a good field glass, as well as some other most entertaining facts—chicken for dinner on Sundays, for instance.

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A SONG OF AUTUMN.

Ho for the bending sheaves,
Ho for the crimson leaves
  Flaming in splendor!
Season of ripened gold,
Plenty in crib and fold,
Skies and depth untold,
  Liquid and tender.

Far, like the smile of God,
See how the goldenrod
  Ripples and tosses!
Yonder, a crimson vine
Trails from a bearded pine,
Thin as a thread of wine
  Staining the mosses.

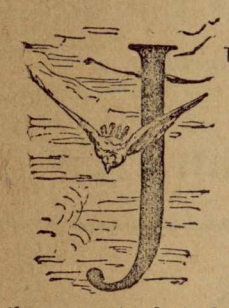
Bright 'neath the morning blue
Sparkles the frosted dew,
  Gem-like and starry.
Hark how the partridge cock
Pipes to his scattered flock,
Mindful how swift the hawk
  Darts on his quarry!

Autumn is here again—
Banners on hill and plain
  Blazing and flying.
Hail to the amber morn,
Hail to the heapt-up corn,
Hail to the hunter's horn,
  Swelling and dying!

—James Buckham, in "The Heart of Life."

A WEDDING RECEPTION

By HELEN FORREST GRAVES.



"JUST what I expected!" said Miss Delavigue, mournfully.

She was sitting out on the balcony, where the mignonnete and asters were all a blaze of vivid color, to enjoy the sunset; but she didn't enjoy it any more, after Muriade Vail had told her the news. There was a band playing in the little park, whose green grass and sparkling fountain formed such a pretty picture, but she did not hear its music any longer.

"Married!" said Miss Delavigue, lifting her hands and drawing a sepulchral sigh—"married! Does the whole world think, and dream, and trouble itself about nothing else?"

"I'm very sorry, aunt," said Muriade, "but—"

"No, you are not," interrupted Miss Delavigue. "Don't begin, at this late day, to tell me falsehoods."

"I don't mean that I'm sorry because I've promised to marry Tom," said Muriade, with a bright spot on each cheek, "because that would be a falsehood. No, indeed, I'm not sorry; but I mean I'm vexed to disappoint you, aunt."

Muriade was a dark, Spanish-eyed girl, with brows like two perfect arches; a red, cherry-cleft mouth, and the most roguish of dints, scarcely large enough to be dignified with the name of dimple, that came and went in a capricious fashion in her chin. She stood, with folded hands and head slightly drooped, before the prim, elderly lady, whose black silk dress resolved itself into such perfect folds, and whose iron-gray curls hung so precisely on either side of her face.

"Didn't I take you when you were seven years old, and bring you up as a young lady should be brought up?" sadly demanded Miss Delavigue.

"Yes, aunt."

"And haven't I had you educated at Mademoiselle Melisse's, with extra piano lessons, and your voice cultivated at two dollars a lesson?" went on the old lady.

"Yes, aunt," confessed Muriade.

"And," severely went on the catechist, "just as you were getting to be a real companion for me in my advancing years, you forget all this, and run off with—Tom Whitworth."

"I haven't run off with him, aunt!" flashed out Muriade, scarcely knowing whether to laugh or cry.

"But you would if you couldn't wring a consent from me. You know you would," said Miss Delavigue. "You'd scramble down a ladder, or climb out of a fourth-story window."

"I love him, aunt," said Muriade, earnestly; "and he loves me."

"Rubbish!" said Aunt Delavigue, with an energy which nearly tipped her eye-glasses from her Roman nose. "You mean that he loves your expectations. He loves the idea of inheriting my money and this brown-stone house, and all the shares in the Mexican silver mines. That's the beginning and the end of it!"

"Never, aunt!" cried poor Muriade.

"That's well," grimly pronounced Miss Delavigue; "because I've my own ideas on the subject. I don't know that I'm at all too old to marry myself."

"Aunt!" exclaimed Muriade, in surprise.

"Why not?" said Miss Delavigue. "I suppose there can be old fools as well as young ones."

"But," pleaded Muriade, "are you in earnest?"

"Why shouldn't I be in earnest?"

"Aunt," burst out Muriade, "is it Major Larkington? Is it? Oh, I know it is! And oh, aunt, dear, I do so hope you will be happy! And Major Larkington is perfectly splendid, since he got his false teeth, only, aunt, those tedious stories of his about the war in Florida—won't you get tired of them, if you're obliged to hear them every day?"

Miss Delavigue looked in some perplexity at her niece. She had supposed that this hint would have filled Muriade with dismay and disappointment; but on the contrary that young lady appeared to accept the idea as the most natural thing in the world. And Tom Whitworth, chancing, entirely by accident, of course, to come in just about that time, coincided in Muriade's view of affairs entirely.

"The jolliest thing I ever heard of," declared Tom, who was a fair-complexioned young Saxon, with curly yellow locks, a blonde moustache and superb teeth—which latter was a fortunate circumstance, because Tom Whitworth was always laughing. "It's regular middle-aged romance!"

"I dare say," said Miss Delavigue, primly. "But what do you say to some one else getting all my money?"

"Dear me!" said Tom, lifting his blonde brows. "It was Muriada I wanted, not your money, Miss Delavigue. Of course. if you chose to leave it to us, after you had done with it, it would have been very acceptable. Ready cash always comes handy. Now, you know that, Muriade, as well as I do," in response to a warning gesture from his fiancee.

"Oh, Tom, you are such a bungler!" said Muriade, half laughing, half crying.

"Well, perhaps I am," confessed Tom. "But I want Miss Delavigue to understand the whole thing. The money is hers, and we don't grudge it to her. And we're ready to work for our own, aren't we, Muriade? I'm not rich, but my office brings me a thousand dollars a year, and we're both going to economize like everything—aren't we, Muriade? And Major Larkington's a brick, and we hope you'll be happy, exactly as we're going to be."

And Tom Whitworth squeezed Miss Delavigue's hand until the old lady cried out for mercy.

"And now, aunt," said Muriade, radiantly, "when is the wedding to be? And why haven't you said anything about it before?"

Miss Delavigue hesitated a little. She blushed. Apparently she did not know what to say on the spur of the moment.

"Well," she faltered, "Major Larkington did say something about the twentieth of December."

"Christmas-time!" exclaimed Muriade. "Oh, Tom, how perfectly delightful! Couldn't we manage to have our wedding at the same time?"

"No," said Tom, stoutly. "We must be married on the first of December. You said we should, Muriade, and you mustn't go back of your word."

"But, Tom, it would only be three weeks."

"Three weeks or three days," stoudly maintained Tom Whitworth, "you promised me, and I can't let you off."

"Well, then, you obstinate fellow," said Muriade, "we can be back from our trip just in time to dance at Aunt Delavigue's wedding."

"Agreed!" said Tom, looking very happy, indeed.

Apparently the young couple were in no wise discomfited at the idea of going to housekeeping on a capital of love, and love alone.

Tom Whitworth began to look diligently around among dim old auction rooms and musty second-hand stores, to find something astoundingly cheap and delightfully comfortable, wherewith to garnish the small cottage which he had decided to take a little out of town, so as to economize in rent.

And Muriade joined a cooking class, made herself a bib-apron, and began to come down into Miss Delavigue's kitchen to experiment in pies and puddings, dainty little tea-biscuit, and salad which might have tempted an anchorite to break his vows.

And she studied up the question of polishing brasses, cleaning plate-glass, mending china, and darning table linen with notable earnestness. And she was more affectionate than ever with her aunt.

"Because," she told Tom, "there is something so pathetic about Aunt Delavigue's happiness, coming so strangely in the autumn of her life. And I'm afraid, Tom—now don't tell anybody—that Major Larkington is only going to marry her for her money. For he is certainly ten years younger than she is, and he has only come from Philadelphia once to see her since the engagement."

"Love is like the measles," said Tom, philosophically. "Every one has it a different way."

While Miss Delavigue, who had been judge and jury all by herself, at least rendered the verdict to a public consisting of herself, alone.

"They love each other, after all. My money had nothing to do with it. Tom loves Muriade, and Muriade has not ceased to love her old aunt, now that she no longer believes herself to be an heiress. There is such a thing as honor, and truth, and real affection in the world, after all."

The first of December came, and Miss Delavigue gave Muriade the prettiest of weddings, under a marriage bell of white rose-buds and smilax, with an artistic little dejeuner, and the bride went away in a dove-colored silk dress, with daisies in her hat.

"But, aunt," she said, "it's so strange that Major Larkington isn't here?"

"He couldn't come," said Miss Delavigue. "He'll be on hand on the twentieth. Mind you and Tom get back in time!"

"Oh, we'll be sure to do that!" said Muriade. "And be sure, aunt, that you thank the major for the dear little pearl locket that he sent me."

The twentieth of December came; so did Mr. and Mrs. Tom Whitworth, fresh from the icy spray of Niagara Falls.

Miss Delavigue's parlors were once more decorated with the choicest hot-house flowers, while Souberetti's men were arranging the supper-table. The old lady herself, in pearls, point lace, and the palest of lavender silks, stood in the middle of the room, receiving her guests. Major Larkington himself was there, looking very stiff and military, and an old-young lady in a dress exactly of the same pattern of Miss Delavigue's.

"You are late, Tom and Muriade," said the hostess, beamingly. "The marriage ceremony was performed half an hour ago. The major thought he would rather have it over before the guests began to arrive. Stop! Don't congratulate me! I'm not the bride. This," introducing the old-young lady with the profusion of curls, and the slight soupcon of powder on her cheek bones, "is Mrs. Major Larkington, and my old schoolmate, Helena Dove, who has given me great pleasure by accepting my hospitality on this occasion."

"Delighted. I am sure!" stammered Tom, staring with all his eyes.

"Many congratulations!" faltered Muriade, scarcely less amazed.

And then they took advantage of a stream of newcomers, who monopolized the bridal pair and taxed Miss Delavigue with her duplicity.

"Sold," said Tom, succinctly, "completely!"

"Aunt, how could you deceive us so?" said Muriade.

"I didn't deceive you," said Miss Delavigue, laughing. "I said there could be old fools as well as young ones, and I say so still. And you yourself mentioned Major Larkington! I didn't feel myself called upon to go into any disclaimers, although I knew then that he was engaged to Helena Dove; and the only point I gained was the certainty that my dear niece and nephew were not heartless fortune-seekers, but loved me just as well as if they believed themselves my heirs, as well as the conviction that Tom Whitworth loved Muriade just because she was Muriade, and not the rich old woman's only relation."

Miss Delavigue made her will the next day, and she left all her money to Muriade and Tom, because she was easy in her mind at last.

"It was a regular conspiracy," she said; "but it revealed to me exactly what I wanted to know."—Saturday Night.

A Magnetic Island.

The stories of magnetic mountains that exert an attraction that cannot be withstood on all vessels that come into their vicinity have some foundation in reality, and that, too, in the neighborhood of Germany. The well known island of Bornholm, situated in the Baltic, and belonging to Denmark, may be regarded as a huge magnet. Although the power of this magnet is not so great that it can draw the nails out of ships, as was told of the island in the "Arabian Nights," the magnetism of the rocks on the island of Bornholm can cause a good deal of trouble to ships in quite another way. It exerts such an influence on the magnetic needle that it can cause a vessel to turn perceptibly aside from her course. This is quite possible, as the effect of this magnetic island is perceptible at a distance of nine and a half miles.—Glasgow Herald.

What "Ocean Springs" Is.

Ocean Springs, the scene of the fever epidemic, is the oldest French settlement on the Gulf Coast. In 1682 La Salle and Tonty, after having explored the Northwestern country, paddled down the Mississippi River to its mouth and claimed all the sourrounding country in the name of the French King. Several years later France sent out colonists who settled at Ocean Springs, which, however, they called Fort Biloxi, the name having been changed in recent years. The plague which visited these early colonists from time to time was probably nothing more nor less than yellow fever.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

ROOF OF THE WORLD.

AN UNKNOWN COUNTRY AND ITS STRANGE INHABITANTS.

Lassa, in the Land of the Lama, the Impenetrable Mountain Realm of Thibet—Its People Are Savage and Depraved.

A few years since, two Russian explorers, MM. Menkhoudjinoff and Oulanoff, arrived at Shanghai after a journey of two years and nine months through Thibet, in the course of which they penetrated to the capital, Lassa, and had actually had an interview with the great Dalai Lama himself. The wonderfulness of this feat can only be appreciated in the light of the knowledge that no European has ever before entered Lassa within the memory of the living world. The few explorers who have dared the perils of the wild and snowy changs, lofty plateaus, the robber Dokpas or dwellers in black tents, the Chinese guards and the Thibetan soldiery, have only succeeded in struggling through dreary miles of deserts and along monsoon-swept marshes, and have returned with only half-glimpsed descriptions of the innumerable monasteries, the prayer-mills or rattles and the buttered tea of this unique and most unknown country.

This impregnably barred Lassa is the dwelling place of the Dalai Lama, the chief priest of Thibet and Mongolia. This religious pretender is worshipped as the earthly incarnation of Buddha. Incense is burned to him before a gigantic idol of the god of Jamba, a monstrous image of clay and gilt with jeweled head, which sits enthroned in the great white palace of the Potala. Lamaism is a hybrid Buddhism, just as Mohammedanism is a hybrid Christianity.

The utter exclusion of all foreigners from this strange land has been and is undoubtedly due to the fear of the Thibetan hierarchy of priests that this absurd imposition of their red and yellow religion, which has completely enslaved the Thibetans, might be speedily overthrown by the Christian "devils;" They are afraid the wealth of the monasteries would be revealed. At present the priests own Thibet as absolutely as though they held fee-simple to every foot of its ground. The Chinese empire holds a nominal temporal sway, but dares not—if it would—disturb the Dalai Lama and his army of priests. MM. Menkhoudjinoff nd Oulanoff are the first travelers who have gazed upon and entered that city hitherto as inaccessible as the north pole.

The immense territory of Thibet is almost completely surrounded by mountain ranges of appalling magnitude, which, especially along the southern, western and northern frontiers, constitute formidable barriers against ingress. From the Pamir plateau, in the extreme west, ("the world's backbone,") radiate the great natural ramparts, which shut out India on the one hand and the Tartar countries of Bokhara and Turkestan on the other. No Asiatic or western conqueror has even dared to penetrate this mountain world, and even Genghis Khan, the scourge of Asia, whose ravages extended from Pekin in the east to Moscow in the west, was obliged, when invading northern India, to take the circuitous rout via Kashghar and Afghanistan, instead of crossing Thibet. Secure on their lofty plateau, and practically isolated from the rest of the world, the people have remained undisturbed for ages, and have developed characteristics for which we would vainly search in any other race of the globe.

The Thibetans occupy a very low position in the scale of human advancement, especially if judged from our western standard of civilization. Their culture is inferior to that of most semi-barbarous races, comparing unfavorably even with that of certain Indian tribes of the American continent, such as the Pueblos, Zunis, etc. In physiognomy and general appearance they strongly resemble the inhabitants of Swedish Lapland, as well as the Eskimos of Northern Siberia, being short-sized, broad-shouldered and possessed of the same angular Mongolian features Indeed, the Thibetans are, perhaps, the most ill-favored of Turanian races. A close interbreeding during many centuries of isolation has produced a striking facial similarity, and has developed a peculiarly repulsive normal type of countenance. A broad, very low forehead, excessively prominent cheek bones, oblique eyes, and coarse bristly black hair are characteristics which do not materially enhance the beauty of the "human form divine," but the most singular peculiarity of the Thibetan face is the almost total absence of the bridge of the nose. Among a dozen Thibetans, chosen at random, hardly one will be found whose nasal organ is not so completely flattened or sunk in the middle as to be practically level in the middle as to be practically level with the eyes. Seen in profile such a face presents a ludicrous appearance; there is one continuous line of cheek bone, with the tip of the nose sticking out like a solitary beacon. But a compensatory providence has added to the ears what is lacking in probosial circumference, and it is but fair to state that the auricular appendages of the average Thibetans are of generous size.

The Thibetans are absolutely without gratitude. They will demand tremendous rewards for feeble services, steal everything within sight, regard politeness and gentleness as indications of cowardice, and merely refrain from stabbing their guests because their courage fails them. Poisoning is popular, and the Thibetan is so suspicious of his own countryman that he will drink and eat nothing until his host partakes plentifully before him. The character of all the Thibetans, settled and nomandic is the same—cowardly, faithless and immoral. They are servile to the brave, insolent to the fearful and mere tools in the hands of the lamas, or monks. They are false to their best-friends, as is witnessed by their desertion of the French missionaries who have been their most constant helpers.

Their physique is notably good, and they stand cold and hunger admirably. They are active, and at first view, lighthearted and genuine; but in reality are cunning, foul and unlovable. They are very unclean, rarely or never bathing their persons. The dress of the common people consists of a very dirty, greasy sheepskin robe which they use as bedding at night. The taste for trading is very strongly developed, and they seize every opportunity to make money. Vast quantities of tea are consumed by them, and they enjoy it, especially when mixed with butter and salt. Their tea is sold in bricks and is of a very inferior quality. During all discussions of state and in their ordinary assemblies, each man has a cup before him which is continually replenished.

The population of Thibet proper and Chinese Thibet is 8,000,000. Looking at the enormous strentch of country over which these millions are distributed, it is apparent that the country is very sparcely populated.—Boston Transcript.

A DECLINING INDUSTRY.

Same Skill No Longer Required in Making Famous Straw Hats.

A strike in the gentle, smiling valley of the Arno, says a Rome correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette, has drawn attention to the straw-plait industry there. It is one that is greatly affected by change of fashions, and has its periods of prosperity and depression. The days have gone by when the property about Florence was divided among a few manufacturers of straw hats (what the English call Leghorns), who when marrying their daughters gave them a dot of several thousand of scudi, (each scudi being worth four shillings), and a straw hat, the strands of which, less than a millimetre in width, were made of straws so fine that, after being woven, a magnifying glass was needed to distinguish them. Now rich travelers travelling through Florence go no more to the Via Porta Rossa to pay 100 francesconi (£22 for a straw hat to take home as a present.

Fashion has transformed the Florence straw industry. The profit now comes from the quantity, not the quality; and consequently the hand work at one time sought after and well paid has gradually decreased in price until the wages of the workers are infamous. When the wholesale price of a hat, all made and sewed, is a penny or two—and there are those at even a lower price—it is easy to imagine what compensation the straw-workers get for the twenty-five to thirty-five yards of made strands which are necessary for one hat.

The skill formerly required in the plaiting is, however, no longer required. Once it was an art, now every one can do it—the boys and girls who drive the cattle to pasture, the women at home, beggars, all those who have nothing else to do. In the mountains the men who break stones have been seen at straw-plaiting in their few leisure moments, and even men who drive coal carts. This "vulgarization" and overproduction will, in the end, be the death of the industry. There have been immense exportations, especially to America, and, consequently, an overstocked market; and until some means are found of diminishing the production the industry will go from bad to worse, with the gravest consequences to those who live by it.

There are exporters who buy the straw plait in bulk, paying if not sufficient for the work, more than is warranted by their own profits, and who only continues the business out of charity for the poor people of the district. But this in many cases does not prevent them from being accused of profiting by the necessities of the workers. Hence the strike.

Another misfortune for this industry is the new United States tariff, which raises the duty on worked straw from 25 to 35 per cent of its value. Besides the Italian productions have to struggle, in America, against the competition, increasing day by day, of the Japanese and Chinese straw. The outlook is indeed dark, for no matter how the poor Florentine straw-plaiters protest and strike, they have no remedy. It is a question of overproduction for a constantly diminishing market.

A paper in Western ntario is being sued for libel because it asserted that a member of the local baseball team could not play baseball.

The breaking of the bottle liberates a certain amount of gas, and the heat of the fire generates more, thus working its own destruction.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Pointed and Pithy Paragraphs.

TWO MISSIONARIES MURDERED IN CHINA.

Trial of the Crew of the Competitor in Progress—Married in a Lion's Cage—Miners' Strike Settled—Memphis Visited by a Fire—Other News Notes.

England politely declined to take part in fisheries convention at Tampa.

Prof. George Fredrick Holmes, of the University of Virginia, died last week.

Daniel Morgan, while asleep, walked out of a window at Nashville and was killed.

Cuban patriots in New York will protest against proposed Spanish reforms in Cuba.

The trial of the crew of the schooner Competitor before the naval court martial at Havana was begun Monday.

The Singapore Chamber of Commerce recommends the gold standard for the Straights settlement, Malay Peninsula.

Hattie, the 7-year old daughter of J. C. Norris, who lives near Chattanooga, was fatally burned last week, by having her dress ignited.

A young couple were married in a lion's cage in Boston last week. The ceremony was witnessed by 5,000 people. A lion on either side were the attendants.

The Carter Package Company's plant at Memphis, manufacturers of wooden buckets, etc., was entirely destroyed by fire last week. Loss, $20,000; no insurance.

The Cologne Volks Zeitung announces that the Rhenish missionaries, Nies and Henle, have been murdered in the southern part of the Chinese province of Shan Tung.

The differences between operators and miners in Tennessee have been settled. The scale at which the men will work, under the new agreement, is 5 cents lower than last winter's scale.

In an old dilapidated house in Atlanta the body of Mrs. Zion Bridwell, an old woman, was found cold in death hanging to the rafters last Friday night. Her husband has been arrested for the crime on suspicion.

Mrs. Celia Wallace, of Chicago, has taken a fancy to Evangelina Cassio y Cisneros, the Cuban refugee, and offered to adopt the Cuban maid and make her an heiress to a fortune estimated at $500,000. It is probable that she will accept the offer.

James Ponder, former Governor of Delaware, died at his home in Milton Friday of paralysis, aged 78 years. He was for years active in State politics as a Democrat, served as Speaker of the State Senate and was elected Governor in 1870, serving four years.

A slight earthquake was felt at Helena, Mont., Thursday, rocking buildings. It was of seven seconds' duration, but as yet no damage is known to have been caused by it. The shock was also felt in Butte and Anaconda. Many people were shaken out of bed, chimneys fell and plate glass was broken.

The United States consul at San Juan del Norte, Nicaragua, has informed the department of state that Noberte Arguello, who killed an American citizen named William Wilson at Rama in 1894, has been arrested and sent to the interior as a prisoner. His punishment was demanded by our government.

The Spanish government, as the result of the deliberations of the Ministers over the utterances of General Weyler, former captain-general of Cuba, has come to the decision to try him by court martial no matter where he lands, if he confirms the accuracy of the press reports of his utterances.

A dispatch from Constantinople says that the porte, under the threat from the Bulgarian government that unless the promised Berats to the Bulgarian bishops in Macedonia should be granted before 10 o'clock a. m. Thursday, Bulgaria would declare independence, finally acceded to the demands and granted the berats.

British Ambassador to the United States Sir Julian Pauncefort has been instructed to ascertain the views of the government of the United States in regard to a reciprocity treaty with the West Indies.

The cotton men of Austin, Texas, have issued an estimate of the total cotton crop for the 1897 season, placing it at 9,948,091 bales, divided as follows: Alabama, 1,094,025; Arkansas, 797,412; Florida, 64,347; Georgia, 1,296,624; Louisiana, 627,868; Mississippi, 1,296,624; North Carolina and Virginia, 562,278; South Carolina, 883,192; Tennessee, Missouri and Oklahoma, 887,558; Texas and Indian Territory, 2,896,732.

Major Mac Murray, commanding the First Artillery at Fort Barrancas, Fla., has been instructed by General Wilson, the chief of engineers, to restore the walls of old Fort San Carlos, near Barrancas. This is the oldest and most interesting old fortress in the United States. It was originally built by the Spaniards and was several times captured by the American army under General Jackson in 1821. It will now probably be supplied with rapid-fire guns.

NO DIMINUTION YET.

Uncle Sam's Pension Roll Grows Larger, as Seen by the Report.

The first annual report of Commissioner of Pensions H. Clay Evans to the secretary of the interior was made public Friday.

There were added to the rolls during the year 50,101 new pensioners, and there were restored to the rolls 3,971 pensioners who had been previously dropped, a total of 54,072. Losses were 3,960 by death, 1,074 by re-marriage of widows and mothers, 1,145 by legal limitation (minors), 2,683 for failure to claim pension for three years and 360 for other causes, an aggregate of 41,122.

The whole number of pensioners on the rolls June 30, 1897, was 976,014. The net gain over the previous year was 5,336. It will thus be seen that the pension roll has not yet begun to show any diminution. Seven widows of revolutionary soldiers and nine daughters of revolutionary soldiers are still on the rolls.

The amount disbursed for pensions by the pension agents during the year was $139,799,242.12, and the amount disbursed by treasury settlement was $150,475.23, a total of $139,949,717. This exceeds the amount disbursed during the fiscal year 1896 by the sum of $1,854,480.

NEW YORK'S PATRONAGE.

Second Only to That of the President of the United States.

More than 55,000 persons will directly or indirectly draw pay from the city in the first administration of the mayor of Greater New York. The salaries of 33,000 of these whose names will be actually on the city's pay roll will aggregate $33,000,000. Part of this amount represents the salaries and patronage of the other officers elected on Tuesday, but this is comparatively small, most of the total representing the patronage of Greater New York's first mayor, Robt. A. Van Wyck.

Second only to the president of the United States, in the value of his patronage, the first mayor of the greater city is first in the significance of this patronage. With his colleagues-elect, of the same political party as himself, Mr. Van Wyck can lead an army of office-holders, and those indirectly employed by the city, as great as the Army of the Potomac.

Tragedy at Gallatin, Tenn.

The Dismukes-Rhodes affair at Gallatin, Tenn., a few days ago, has at last resulted in a tragedy. Thursday afternoon John Rhodes was standing in the public square, when Martin Dismukes came out of the court house and fired at Rhodes with a double-barreled shotgun. Rhodes ran a few steps and fell. Bystanders rushed in and prevented Dismukes from firing again. The gun was loaded with buckshot. One ball struck Rhodes in the shoulder and another entered just under the heart, inflicting probably fatal wounds.

The shooting was the outcome of an attack upon ex-Senator Dismukes by the Rhodes boys a few days ago. Martin Dismukes tried to kill Rhodes on the day of the attack on his father, firing once at him, but striking a bystander

TEN MORE VICTIMS.

Yellow Fever Death Rate at New Orleans Heavier.

Friday's record of fever cases in New Orleans is not encouraging. Thirty-one new cases deveioped and ten deaths occurred. The situation, while it has not improved any, is not considered worse. To date there have been 1,706 cases and 223 deaths.

Mobile reports eleven new cases and one death for Friday.

Other cities and towns report as follows: Montgomery, deaths 1; Cayuga, 1; Biloxi, 2; Scranton, 3; Bay St. Louis, 3, deaths 1; Memphis 1.

Plunged Into a River.

The Chesapeake and Ohio vestibule express, known as the "F. F. V.," from Cincinnati to Washington, was wrecked near Old Shadwell, five miles east of Charlottsville, Va., Thursday afternoon. Four persons were killed and seventeen injured. All the cars except the baggage car and the Richmond sleeper were derailed. Two cars were pludged end foremost down the steep embankment and one of them went into the Rivannia river, which at this place skirts the track. The day passenger coach and the express car were badly wrecked. The accident was caused by the breaking of the axle of the front truck of the locomotive.

TRADE OUTLOOK BRIGHTER.

Resumption of Traffic and Prospective Revival in Staples Are Features.

TRADE STIMULATED BY THE COLD WEATHER.

October Made a Splendid Record on Failures—Moderate Reaction in Iron and Steel—Leading Manufacturing Industries Continue Fairly Well Employed.

Bradstreet's trade report says in part:

Killing frosts south, the raising of quarantine embargoes in nearly all states invaded by yellow fever, the resumption of traffic and a prospective revival in demand for staple merchandise constitute the trade features of the week.

Rains in central western and western states, followed by colder weather have favored farmers and stimulated demand from interior store keepers. Jobbers in northwestern states are awaiting seasonable weather to stimulate the movement of heavy dry goods and winter clothing. Features at larger Pacific coast cities are confined to sales of merchandise and provisions for the Klondike, and the heavy foreign shipments of wheat and flour. New England centers report that orders from the west exceed those from the south or east. Leading manufacturing industries continue fairly well employed. While there has been a moderate reaction in iron and steel, furnaces and mills continue well employed, and the outlook for higher quotations next year is unchanged.

In addition to lower prices for southern and Bessemer pig and for steel billets quotations for naval stores, wools, copper, coffee, pork, flour, oats and wheat are lower, while those for cotton, print cloths, sugar and beef are unchanged, and corn, lead and lard a shade higher. Exports of wheat (flour included), from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal this week aggregate 5,477,156 bushels, compared with 5,911,691 bushels last week, 3,477,000 bushels one year ago.

Exports of Indian corn this week amount to 2,199,550 bushels, compared with 1,589,000 bushels last week, 2,407,000 bushels in the corresponding week one year ago.

There are 223 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 218 last week; 223 in the week a year ago, 260 two years ago, 261 three years ago and as compared with 333 in the first week of November, 1893.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

The President of Brazil Attacked by a Desperate Soldier.

A dispatch from Rio Janeiro says: At 1 o'clock Friday afternoon a soldier of the Tenth battalion, which constitutes part of the local garrison, attempted to shoot President Moraes with a pistol. The president was just landing at the marine hospital after visiting the steamer on which General Barbardosa, minister of marine, had returned from Baia.

The by-standers frustrated the attempt, but Colonel Moraes, the president's nephew, was slightly wounded in disarming the soldier.

General Bitancour, minister of war, then interfered and was himself stabbed. The wound was so serious that he died soon afterwards.

An Ill Fated Train.

A passenger train on the St. Louis and Southwestern road, known as the "Cotton Belt" route, was ill fated, and death marked its run Friday. Near Mount Pleasant the train ran over J. C. Beasley, ex-section foreman, who had fallen asleep on the track. He was instantly killed,

About thirty miles further west, near Greenville, three negro children were playing down among the timbers of a trestle bridge. They scampered up to the track, trying to escape. Two were killed between the rails. The other child died an hour later.

A few miles further west, near Wylie, a passenger named J. C. Davis entered the toilet room and committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

May Open Arbitration Negotiations.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, who is just back from London, probably will confer with Secretary Sherman at an early date concerning the reopening of negotiations for an Anglo-American treaty of arbitration. Mr. Sherman made known to the British authorities some months ago that the president would view with favor a reopening of the negotiations, and was hopeful that a peace treaty ultimately would be secured. The British officials were much gratified at this suggestion, but no negotiations were entered upon. Since then Sir Julian has visited London and has had an opportunity to learn the views of the foreign office.

NEGRO COLONY LAUNCHED.

Mrs. Lillian K. Ray, an English Woman, at the Head.

Saturday witnessed the formal opening of the Cedar Lake negro colony in Morgan county, promoted and backed by Mrs. Lillian K. Ray, the wealthy English woman, who represents a syndicate of English capitalists. Application was made for a city charter, and a provisional government elected. Several hundred negroes were present, and seem to be in earnest with the movement. The colony comprises 367 acres of fine wheat and tobacco lands, beautifully located, on either side of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, three and a half miles from Decatur.

Mrs. Ray has donated the lands to the colony, and built thereon school and church buildings and donated $10,000 on condition that 140 houses are built by the negroes within another year. She has enlisted the aid and support of many prominent and wealthy people. She read a letter to the gathering from President Smith, of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company, promising aid and support to build a depot, side tracks, etc., and give all necessary shipping concessions. She has the promise of a wealthy Providence, R. I., firm to erect a 20,000 spindle cotton mill at a cost of $60,000, and a cigar factory. She will be materially aided by Thomas J. Lipton, an English millionaire. He is interested in tobacco culture, and his plantations in Cuba having been destroyed has decided to invest in Alabama, as he believes tobacco culture here will be profitable.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS NOTES.

New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

Among the most important new industries for the week ending Nov. 6, The Tradesman reports the following: A flouring mill at Lebanon, Tenn.; gas works to cost $60,000 at Newport, News, Va.; the Tisdale Mining and Manufacturing Co., capital $33,500, at Butler, Ga.; the Huguenot Mining and Milling Co., the Arctic Circle Mining Co., capital $1,000,000, and the Grand Encampment Mining and Milling Co., capital $500,000, at Charleston, W. Va.; the Morgan County Cannel Coal Co., capital $25,000, at Frankfort, Ky.; the Carter Coal and Iron Co., capital $100,000, at Pulaski, Va., and the Jackson-Meshier Mining Co., capital $60,000, at Rome, Ga. The Peerless Clay Co., capital $18,000, has been incorporated at Butler, Ga.; the New York Petroleum Co., capital $500,000, at Parkersburg, W. Va., and the Frost Cotton Oil Co., capital $20,000, at Frost, Texas. A knitting mill will be erected at Burlington, N. C.; a rope and twine mill at Griffin, Ga.; a furniture factory at Little Rock, Ark.; a $10,000 lumber mill at Hamilton, N. C.; a $20,000 sawmill at Minneola, Ga., and $45,000 lumber mill at Vinton, La.

Other woodworking plants will be established at Brantford and Holley, Fla.; Belair and Cordele, Ga., and Elkin, N. C.

The Fever Situation.

The yellow fever report for Monday was more favorable than has been noted since the disease made its appearance and it is now apparent that the backbone is broken. Following is the report for the day: New Orleans, new cases 14, deaths 7; Mobile, new cases 6, deaths 2; Flomaton, new cases 3, deaths 0; Montgomery, new cases 1, deaths 0. Total new cases 24, deaths 9.

Nineteen Were Drowned.

The Western Transit company's steamer Idaho, which left Buffalo, N. Y., Saturday for Chicago, laden with package freight, foundered off long point on Lake Erie during a furious gale. The first mate and one sailor, who succeeded in reaching the rigging, were rescued by the steamer Mariposa. The rest of the crew, numbering nineteen, were undoubtedly drowned.

Durrant Must Hang.

The United States Supreme court Monday affirmed the decision of the circuit court for the California circuit refusing a writ of habeas corpus to William Henry Theodore Durrant, under sentence of death for the murder of Miss Blanche Lamont in San Francisco in April 1895.

Prominent Georgian Dead.

Col. Sam M. Carter, one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of North Georgia, died Monday morning at his plantation in Murray county after an illness of eight weeks.

China Wants the Gold Standard.

According to a special dispatch from Shanghai, the emperor of China and the board of revenue have approved a memorial petitioning for the establishment of the gold standard and the collection of imports in gold. It is doubtful, however, if this will have any practical result.

ALABAMA NEWS ITEMS.

Happenings of a Week Throughout Our Commonwealth.

Killing at Bessemer.

John Crutcher, of Birmingham, was shot and killed at Bessemer by W. J. Crook.

Preparing for Mardi Gras.

Preparations are now being made for the celebration of mardi gras in Birmingham February 22 and 23.

To the Klondyke.

The mail carriers of Birmingham have organized a Klondyke Gold Mining company and will send one of their number to the New Eldorado in January.

James H. Little Dead.

James H. Little, formerly solicitor of Jefferson county, died at the residence of his mother, Mrs. Laura Little, at Livingston, Monday morning.

Clear of Fever at Montgomery.

The report of the Montgomery board of health Sunday was the most encouraging since the beginning of the epidemic. There were no deaths and no new cases.

Commissioner Appointed.

James R. Guin has been appointed United States commissioner to take the office formerly occupied by Marshal Dan Cooper. The appointment was made Saturday night by Judge Bruce.

Called to Eternal Rest.

Col. Alexander C. Davidson, ex-member of Congress from the old Fourth Alabama district, died Sunday morning at his residence in Uniontown. Deceased was 71 years of age.

New Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed for this state Saturday: Autaugaville, Lewis D. Hicks; Bell Mills, Ellen E. Hunt; Goldville, John W. Powell; Golightly, D. M. Norwood; Hollywood, James Riddle; Loftin, G. W. Willis; Montevallo, F. F. Crow; Ur, J. J. Wesley.

To Manufacture Spathite Iron.

Work is being pushed repairing the old Vanderbilt furnace near East Birmingham. It is intended to have the plant ready for the torch within the next sixty days at the latest. This furnace is to manufacture spathite iron altogether. It was recently purchased by parties from Tennessee, headed by Col. Sharpe, of Nashville.

Brained His Wife.

A fiendish crime was committed at Dolomite Saturday night by Aaron Bradley, a negro man about 50 years of age. Bradley had just been released from jail and, it is said, went to the house of his wife at that place and a quarrel ensued. He left the house, but returned later with an axe and was ordered from the house by the woman. Bradley resented the repremand with two blows of the axe upon her head, felling her to the floor and immediately fled.

Two Stills Destroyed.

Friday night Captain W. C. Hanlin and Deputy Collectors Nabers, Cole, Barker and Burgess discovered two stills right together, two miles northwest of Buchanan, in Cleburne county. Both were in operation and the alleged owners were on the spot. The stills were of 20 and 30-gallon capacity, and were turning out fresh "mountain dew" at a rapid rate. Twelve hundred gallons of beer was emptied upon the ground and both stills destroyed. Green Serrett and his son, Bass Serrett, were arrested.

Anniston in Luck.

A deal has been closed to move the Jacksonville Hosiery mill down from Jacksonville to Anniston. The new mill will be known as the Anniston Hosiery mill, and will manufacture men's and children's hosiery, making a specialty of fast black hosiery, and will have in connection with it a dye house. The mill will employ about fifty hands. All the machinery is new and up-to-date. The work of removal will commence at once, and the mill will be at work in Anniston by or before the last of this week.

To Sail for Cuba.

General Fitzhugh Lee, consul-general at Havana, will sail for his post of duty on Wednesday.

Football Doomed.

Representatiue Cole's football bill prohibiting match prize games of football in Georgia where admission fees are charged, came up in the house Monday with a favorable report from the general judiciary committee with an amendment striking out "games of like character." This was adopted and the bill passed by a vote of 91 to 3.

OPINIONS OF A WOMAN.

More men would marry if women made themselves more attractive to them.

Loud talking women seldom hear much good of themselves.

All men are not as black as they are painted.

Few men find it difficult to fall in love though they have little trouble in loving rich girls in preference to poor ones.

The average married man looks upon marriage as a lottery, and that he has drawn a blank.

There are many women who drive their husbands to drink.

The world is full of women who have sacrificed happy lives for duty.

A man or woman who seek divorce without cause invariably get the worst of it before the final end comes.

Men will talk about women, though few women are talked about who do not deserve it.

If some men could see themselves as women see them there would be a great shortage in the vanity market.—Ex.

Henry George was traveling once on a sleeping car. The porter came to brush the dust off and "work" him for the customary quarter. There were but few passengers. George reflected on the fact that Pullman paid his poor black hireling little or naught, and relied on their ability to brush and gouge the public instead and determined to give him all the change he found in his pocket. He thought there might be about 60 cts but there actually was $3 in quarters, halves and dimes. He gave it all to the darkey, who dropped his broom and stared at the tip and then at George. "This all fo' me, boss?" he gasped. "It's all for you," replied George. The darky looked at the little rusty, modest man, and again at his handful of silver. "Wow!" he ejaculated, "it's true as de good book puts it, you nevah cain tell how fah a toad kin jump twell you sees him hop."

Birmingham, Oct. 23.—Capt. W. H. Hughes, representative [illegible] the Tennessee Coal, Iron [illegible] road Company, who [illegible] Vera Cruz six weeks ago [illegible] a cargo of 1,200 tons of Alabama coal to introduce that product in Mexico, has returned and reports having laid the ground work for an extensive coal trade in that country. The Inter-Oceanic Railroad, to whom the sample load was sold, was so well pleased that it made a contract for a year's supply, 100,000 tons, to be used instead of English coal and native wood. Contracts will probably be made with other large consumers in Mexico as soon as their contracts with the English expire.

The recent action of Congress in removing the discriminating duty imposed upon Mexican ships loading coal shipments at American ports places the Alabama article in Mexico on an equal footing with the English, free of duties, while the freight rate is greatly in Alabama's favor.

The farmers in some sections of Alabama will grow wheat on a large scale next year. Those in this section who would doubtless have experimeted with it could not get seed to plant on account of the quarantine. While our farmers in this section cannot try it another year, they can inform themselves on wheat growing and culture and be prepared to do so in the future. Farmers can make more raising wheat at one dollar per bushel than they can making cotton at 5 cents a pound. It is not too late now to plant wheat if our farmers could procure seed. Any time between now and the last of November will do to sow wheat and if the quarantine is raised they can get the seed and plant on a small scale.—Ex.

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THE PERIOD COVERED

By This Contest shows about 16,000 expirations for The Weekly Constitution, and, of course, we want them all to renew and to enter the Contest.

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For the Missing Word Fund, and every additional subscriber entering the contest will swell the amount the more.

This period also compares with our First Missing Word Contest last year, in which Mr. M. L. Brittain secured the prize—$1,033.50. As that was our First Contest, there were more than 5,000 subscribers received during the time, who did not enter for prize. It will not be so this time, for the plan is widely advertised and we have paid out within the past twelve months NEARLY $5,000 CASH upon the Five Missing Word Contests. The series has been of extraordinary interest, and the idea seems to grow in the public's favor.

The book containing the sentence is a standard publication and has been sealed up and placed with Mr. W. A. Hemphill, President and Business Manager of The Constitution, who will hold it safely until January 1, 1898.

The sentence speaks for itself and submits a very plain proposition for you to solve.

The Contest Began November 1, 1897.
The Contest Ends January 1, 1898.

This contest lasts two months and the amount to be divided will probably be in the neighborhood of $2,000. There may be one correct answer, there may be a dozen, there may be more, but remember it costs nothing to supply a word, and you may get it correctly. Whether you do or not, you get

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WE PROPOSE TO PUT 10 PER CENT of the amount we receive for subscriptions, wherein the party subscribing enters the Missing Word Contest, into a fund for distribution among those who name correctly the missing word. For instance: If only one contestant gets the word right, he or she, as the case may be, will have all the money. If more than one strike it, the sum will be equally divided, each correct answer receiving its proportionate share of the fund.

THE CONDITION PRECEDENT FOR SENDING A GUESS at the Missing Word is that each and every guess must be accompanied by a year's subscription to THE WEEKLY CONSTITUTION; the guess must be sent in the identical envelope that brings the money that pays for the subscription; forgetting it, or leaving it out by accident or otherwise, or not knowing of the guess at the time you subscribed, or any other reason will not entitle one to send a guess afterwards. The guess must come with the subscription or not at all. Should a party send more than one guess, he or she will be entitled to a share of the fund for each correct guess sent; there will be no capital prize—every one will get a first prize. Persons may guess as many times as they send subscriptions.

THE CONTEST BEGAN NOV. 1ST—We began then to keep accurate account of the subscriptions received with guesses and on December 1st we will publish how much is to the credit of the subscribers guessing, and during December we will publish each week how the fund has grown.

THE CONTEST CLOSES JAN. 1ST—At which time we will pay out to the successful party or parties the full prize amount that has accrued in the contest.

In Making Your Answer You need not write the sentence out in full, just state simply the Missing Word for January 1st is "....."

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Case Knives per set,	47
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Old-Time Scotch Obituary.

The following death notice appeared in the Edinburgh Weekly Magazine of March 2, 1775: "Feb. 12—At New Reay, in the county of Caithness, much regretted, Francis Tait, parochial school master there, in the one hundred and second year of his age; a man of an athletic form, of a saturnine complexion and his size about six foot. He lived chiefly upon vegetables, was a favorite of the muses and at times drank freely. He was no less distinguished for his piety than for the good order he observed in his school, for his easy method of teaching and for infusing into his pupils a laudable spirit of emulation. He retained his senses to the last."

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The highest price ever offered for a single volume was tendered by a number of wealthy Hebrew merchants of Venice to Pope Julius II. for a very ancient Hebrew bible. It was believed to be an original copy of the Septuagent version of the scriptures, translated from the Hebrew into Greek in 277 B. C. The sum mentioned to Julius was $600,000, but the Pope declined the offer.

The Answer.

"Say, aren't those woolen clothes warm this kind of a day?"

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Electric Light on Battlefields.

Special attention is being given by the French military authorities to the questions of succoring the wounded on battlefields when night comes on after a great battle. Experiments have been made with powerful electric arc lights, but the apparatus has conditions. At length it has been practically determined that the ambulance corps men shall wear little incandescent glow-lamps in their hats, just like ladies of the ballet in a spectacular extravaganza. Each man is to carry a little primary battery in his pocket for the production of the current. The wounded in need of succor will look out for the little moving lights, and if possible drag themselves toward them. —Paris letter.

Number of Foreign Cardinals.

Cardinal di Rende's death, according to the Tablet, has made the number of foreign Cardinals greater than that of the Italian for the second time within twelve months. There are now thirty-one of the former to thirty of the latter, a state of things which, until within a few years, had not occurred for many centuries.

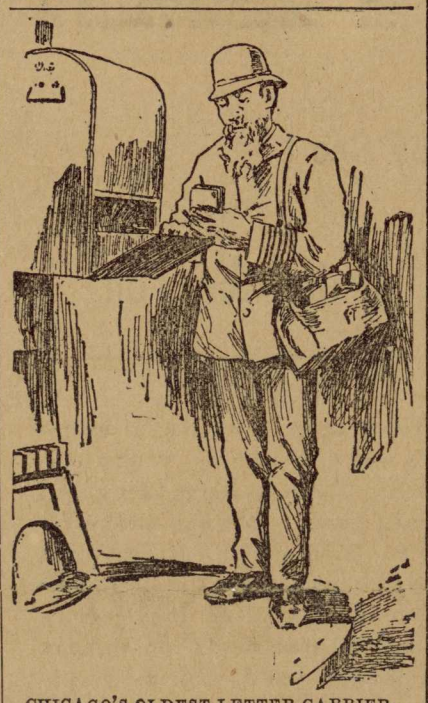
Not Very Cleanly.

The natives of Alaska never change their clothes, unless they are worn out. They are considered the filthiest race of beings on the earth.

CHICAGO'S VETERAN POSTMAN.

Abram D. Jones Thirty Years a Letter Carrier in the Windy City.

Letter carriers are now wearing their service stripes. Each stripe is indicative of five years of service. The greatest honor to be conferred, that of six stripes, was awarded to Abram D.



CHICAGO'S OLDEST LETTER CARRIER.

Jones, the veteran letter carrier of Chicago. It was in 1867 that Jones received his appointment. At that time General Frank S. Sherman was postmaster. Jones had come here from New York a mere lad and gained his position through the influence of Judge Henry Fuller. He has remained in continuous service ever since, a period of thirty years, in which the veteran letter carrier has never paid the penalty of a single day's suspension for blunders. He has served at the central station, says the Times-Herald, since the day of his appointment, and has passed through all the various vicissitudes of the growth of the postoffice. In May, 1895, he was transferred at his own request to the Englewood station, where he is now in active service. Of fifty-one carriers appointed simultaneously with him in 1867, he is the only one who still remains. He is the only man among 1,500 postal clerks who wears six stripes.

Destructive Bullets.

Lee-Metford bullets were made effective during the recent Benin expedition through the soldiers shaving off the tops. This caused the case to drop off when the rifle was discharged, and enabled the leaden inner part to inflict a wound severe enough to stop the onset of attacking parties.

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SUNDAY'S DISCOURSE BY THE NOTED DIVINE.

God Among the Stars—Our Own World the Smallest of Them All, Was Selected as the Theatre For Sin and Sorrow as an Awful Example to Others.

TEXT: "It is He that buildeth His stories in the heaven."—Amos, ix., 6.

This is first-rate poetry from Amos, the herdsman. While guarding his flocks at night, he got watching the heavens. He saw stars above stars, and the universe seemed to him like a great mansion many stories high, silver room above silver room, silver pillars besides silver pillars, and windows of silver and doors of silver, and turrets and domes of silver rising into the immensities, and the prophet's sanctified imagination walks through that great silver palace of the universe, through the first story, through the second story, through the third story, through the twentieth story, through the hundredth story, through the thousandth story, and realizing that God is the architect and carpenter and mason of all that upheaved splendor, he cries out in the words of the text, "It is He that buildeth His stories in the heaven."

The fact is that we have all spent too much time on one story of the great mansion of God's universe. We need occasionally to go upstairs or downstairs in this mansion; downstairs, and in the cellar study the rocks, or upstairs and see God in some of the higher stories, and learn the meaning of the text when it says: "It is He that buildeth His stories in the heaven."

"Astronomy was born in Chaldea. Its mother was Astrology, or the science of foretelling events by juxtaposition of stars. The Orientals, living much out of doors and in a very clear atmosphere, through which the stars shone especially lustrous, got the habit of studying the night heavens. In the hot seasons caravans journeyed chiefly at night, and that gave travelers much opportunity of stellar information. On the first page of the Bible the sun and moon and stars roll in. The sun, a body nearly three million miles in circumference and more than twelve thousand times as large as our earth; the moon, more than two thousand miles in diameter. But God is used to doing things on such an omnipotent scale that he takes only one verse to tell of this solar and lunar manufacture. Yea, in three words all the other worlds are thrown in. The record says, "The stars also." It takes whole pages for a man to extol the making of a telescope or microscope or a magnetic telegraph or a threshing machine, or to describe a fine painting or statue, but it was so easy for God to hang the celestial upholstery that the story is compassed in one verse: 'God made two great lights, the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night. The stars also!' Astronomers have been trying to call the roll of them ever since, and they have counted multitudes of them passing in review before the observatories built at vast expense, and the size and number of those heavenly bodies have taxed to the utmost the scientists of all ages.

But God finishes all He has to say about them in three words, "The stars also!" That is Mars, with its more than fifty-five million square miles, and Venus, with its more than one hundred and ninety-one millione square miles, and Saturn, with its more than nineteen billion square miles, and Jupiter, with its more than twenty-four billion square miles, and all the planets of our system of more than seventy-eight billion square miles, and these stars of our system, when compared with the stars of the other systems, as a handful of sand compared with all the Rocky Mountains and all the Alps. "The stars also!" For brevity, for ponderosity, for splendor, for suggestiveness, for sublimity piled on sublimity, these words excel all that human speech ever uttered or human imagination ever soared after: "The stars also!" It is put in as you write a postscript—something you thought of afterward—as hardly worth putting into the body of a letter. "The stars also!" Oh, what a God we have, and He is our Father!

Read on in your Bibles, and after awhile the Bible flashes with the aurora borealis or northern lights, that strange illumination, as mysterious and undefined now as when, in the book of Job it was written: "Men see not the bright light which is in the clouds. Fair weather cometh out of the north." While all the nations supposed that the earth was built on a foundation of some sort, and many supposed that it stood on a huge turtle, or some great marine creature, Job knew enough of astronomy to say it had no foundation, but was suspended on the invisible arm of the Almighty, declaring that "He hangeth the earth upon nothing." While all nations thought the earth was level, the sky spread over it like a tent over a flat surface, Isaiah declared the world to be globular, circular, saying of God: "He sitteth upon the circle of the earth." See them glitter in this scriptural sky—Arcturus, Orion, the Pleiades, and the "bear with her young."

Without the use of telescope and without any observatory and without any astronomical calculation, I know that the other worlds are inhabited, because my Bible and my common sense tell me so. It has been estimated that in the worlds belonging to our solar system there is room for at least twenty-five trillion of population. And I believe it is all occupied, or will be occupied, by intelligent beings. God will not fill them with brutes.

He would certainly put into those worlds beings intelligent enough to appreciate the architecture, the coloring, the grandeur, the beauty, the harmony of their surroundings. Yea, the inhabitants of those worlds have capacity of locomotion, for they would not have had such spacious opportunity for movement if they had not powers of motion. Yea, they have sight, else why the light, and hearing, else how get on with necessary language, and how clear themselves from advancing perils? Yea, as God made our human race in His own image, He probably made the inhabitants of other worlds in His own image; in other words, it is as near demonstration as I care to have it, that while the inhabitants of other worlds have adaptations of bodily structure to the particular climate in in which they dwell, there is yet similarity of mental and spiritual characteristics among all the inhabitants of the universe of God, and made in His image they are made wonderfully alike.

Now what should be the practical result of this discussion founded on scripture and common sense? It is first of all, to enlarge our ideas of God and so intensify our admiration and worship. Under such consideration, how much more graphic the Bible question, which seems to roll back the sleeve of the Almighty and say: "Hast thou an arm like God?" The contemplation also encourages us with the thought that if God made all these worlds and populated them, it will not be very much of an undertaking for Him to make our little world over again, and reconstruct the character of its populations as by grace they are to be reconstructed.

What a monstrosity of ignorance that the majority of Christian people listen not to the voices of other worlds, although the Book says, "The heavens declare the glory of God," and, again, "The works of the Lord are great and to be sought out." How much have you sought them out? You have been satisfying yourself with some things about Christ, but have you noticed that Paul calls you to consider Christ as the Creator of other worlds, 'by whom also He made the worlds." It is time you Christians start on a world hunt. That is the chief reason why God makes the night, that you may see other worlds. Go out to-night and look up at the great clock of the heavens. Listen to the silvery chime of the midnight sky. See that your children and grandchildren mount the heavens with telescope for alpenstock, leaping from acclivity of light to acclivity of light. What a thoughtful and sublime thing that John Quincy Adams, the ex-President, borne down with years, undertook at the peril of his life the journey from Washington to Cincinnati that he might lay the corner-stone of the pier of the great refracting telescope, and there making his last oration. What a service for all mankind when, in 1839, Lord Rosse lifted on the lawn of his castle eighty miles from Dublin a telescope that revealed worlds as fast as they could roll in and that started an enthusiasm which this moment concentrates the eyes of many of the most devout in all parts of the earth on celestial discovery. Thank God that we now know our own world is, bounded on all sides by realms of glory, instead of being where Hesiod in his poetry described it to be, namely half way between heaven and hell, an anvil hurled out of heaven, taking ten days to strike the earth, and hurled out of earth, taking ten more days to strike perdition:

From the high heaven a brazen anvil cast,
Nine days and nights in rapid whirls would last;
And reach the earth the tenth; whence strongly hurled,
The same the passage to th' infernal world.

I thank God that we have found out that our world is not half way between heaven and hell, but is in a sisterhood of light, and that this sisterhood joins all the other sisterhoods of worlds, moving round some great homestead, which is no doubt heaven, where God is, and our departed Christian friends are, and we ourselves through pardoning mercy expect to become permanent residents. O, what a God we have, and He is our Father.

Furthermore, I get now from all this an answer to the question which every intelligent man and woman since the earth has stood has asked and received no answer. Why did God let sin and sorrow come into the world when He could have prevented them from coming? I wish reverently to say I think I have found the reason. To keep the universe loyal to a Holy God, it was important in some world somewhere to demonstrate the gigantic disasters that would come upon any world that allowed sin to enter. Which world should it be? Well, the smaller the world the better, for less numbers would suffer. So our world was selected. The stage was plenty large enough for the enactment of the tragedy. Enter on the stage Sin, followed by Murder, Pain, Theft, Fraud, Impurity, Falsehood, Massacre, War and all the abominations and horrors and agonies of centuries. Although we know comparatively little about the other worlds, lest we become completely dissatisfied with our own, no doubt the other worlds have heard and are now hearing all about this world in the awful experiment of sin which the human race has been making.

It is no longer to me a mystery why so small a world as ours was chosen for the tragedy. A chemist can demonstrate all the laws of earth and heaven in a small laboratory, ten feet by five, and our world was not too small to demonstrate to the universe the awful chemistry of unrighteousness, its explosive and riving and consuming power. On the tower of Pharos, Egypt, a metallic mirror was raised which reflected all that occurred both on land sea for a distance of three hundred miles, and so Egypt was informed of the coming of her enemies long before their arrival. By what process I know not, but in some way this ship of a struggling earth, I think, is mirrored to distant worlds. Surely this one disastrous experiment of a world unloosing itself from God will be enough for all worlds and all eternities.

But notice that as other worlds rolled into the first book of the Bible, the Book of Genesis, they also appear in the lost book of the Bible, the Book of Revelation. They will take part in the scenes of that occasion which shall be the earth's winding up, and a tremendous occasion for you and me personally. My father was one night on the turnpike road between Trenton and Bound Brook, N. J. He was coming through the night from the legislative halls, where he was serving his State, to his home, where there was sickness. I often heard him tell about it. It was the night of the 12th and the morning of the 13th of November, 1833. Suddenly the whole heavens became a scene never to be forgotten. From the constellation Leo meteors began to shoot in all directions. For the two hours between 4 and 6 in the morning, it was estimated that a thousand meteors a minute flashed and expired. It grew lighter than noonday. Arrows of fire. Balls of fire. Trails of fire. Showers of fire. Some of the appearances were larger than the full moon. All around the heavens explosion followed explosion. Sounds as well as sights. The air filled with uproar. All the luminaries of the sky seemed to have received marching orders. The heavens ribbed and interlaced and garlanded with meteoric display. From horizon to horizon everything in combustion and conflagration.

Many a brain that night gave way. It was an awful strain on strongest nerves. Millions of people fell on their knees in prayer. Was the world ending, or was there some great event for which all heaven was illuminated? For eight momentous hours the phenomenon lasted. East, west, north, south, it looked as though the heavens were in maniac disorder. Astronomers watching that night said that those meteors started from 2200 miles above the earth's surface and moved with ten times the speed of a cannon ball. The owner of a plantation in South Carolina says of that night scene. I was suddenly awakened by the most distressing cries that ever fell on my ears. Shrieks of horror and cries of mercy I could hear from most of the slaves on three plantations, amounting in all to about six or eight hundred. While earnestly listening for the cause I heard a faint voice near the door calling my name. I arose, and taking my sword, stood at the door. At this moment I heard the same voice still beseeching me to rise, and saying: "Oh, my God! the world is on fire!" I then opened the door, and it is difficult to say which excited me most, the awfulness of the scene or the distressed cries of the Africans. Upwards of 100 lay prostrate on the ground; some speechless and some uttering the bitterest cries, but most with their hands raised, imploring God to save the world and them. The scene was truly awful, for never did rain fall much thicker than the meteors fell toward the earth.

The spectacle ceased not until the rising sun of the November morning eclipsed it, and the whole American nation sat down exhausted with the agitations of a night to be memorable until the earth itself shall become a falling star. The Bible closes with such a scene of falling lights, not only fidgety meteors, but grave old stars. St. John saw it in prospect, and wrote: "The stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs when she is shaken of a mighty wind." What a time that will be when worlds drop. Rain of planets. Gravitation letting loose her grip on worlds. Constellations flying apart. Galaxies dissolved. The great orchard of the universe swept by the last hurricane letting down the stars like ripened fruit. Our old earth will go with the rest, and let it go, for it will have existed long enough to complete its tremendous experiment. But there will be enough worlds left to make a heaven of, if any more heaven needs to be built. That day finding us in Christ, our nature regenerated, and our sins pardoned, and our hope triumphant, we will feel no more alarm than when in September, passing through an orchard, you hear the apples thump to the ground, or through a conservatory and you hear an untimely fig drop to the floor. You will only go upstairs into another story, a better lighted story, a better furnished story, a better ventilated story, a better pictured story, and into a story where already many of your kindred are waiting for you, and where profits and apostles and martyrs will pay you celestial visitation, and where, with a rapture beyond the most radiant anticipation, you shall bow before Him that "buildeth his stories in heaven."

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The Duke of Argyle has held his title for fifty years.

Ex-Secretary Carlisle has decided to locate in New York City.

Senator Gorman will retire from political life at sixty years of age.

Princess Kaiulani has sailed for Hawaii to look for a missing throne.

Jules Verne, the veteran story-teller, has been married fifty-five years.

Rear Admiral Alexander Colden Rhind, a naval veteran, died in New York City a few days ago.

Nathan Fellows Dixon, ex-United States Senator, died at his home in Westerly, R. I., after an illness of about three weeks.

Major Handy, United States Commissioner to Paris, has returned after securing 200,000 square feet of space at the great exposition of 1900.

Mark Twain cables from Europe that the report that he is out of debt is a lie. The genial humorist claims the right to gloat over his poverty.

Henry George, the younger, was until recently the editor of the Jacksonville (Fla.) Citizen. He is an able, accomplished fellow and is thirty-four years old.

General Wade Hampton, the ex-Senator and Railroad Commissioner, while in the Senate, was regarded by his associates as being without a rival, in handling a chafing dish.

Eugene Field's son, Fred, is a student in Drury College. His mates call him "Daisy" and relate anecdotes which tend to show that he has a goodly share of his father's wit and humor.

Alexander Milton Ross, the noted scientist who died in Detroit a few days ago, was a compositor in New York when William Cullen Bryant, then editor of the Post, discovered his talent and became interested in him.

The Mikado of Japan, though passionately fond of horse racing, allows no betting on his track, and pursues the sport purely for sport's sake. He has agents now in this country looking for twenty first-class horses for the imperial stables.

Sir Arthur Haliburton, the British Under Secretary of State for War, who has just retired, after a career of forty years in the public service, is a son of Judge Haliburton, of Nova Scotia, who is known in American literature as "Sam Slick."

Blue Jacket, late chief of the Shawnee Indians, who died the other day near Chetopa, Kan., was once a Baptist Minister. He was over eighty years old. He was, when a young man, a close associate of Tenstaquatawa, the prophet.

CYCLING NOTES.

"Jimmy" Michael has earned $25,000 on his bicycle this year.

A new cycle tire made of extremely fine steel has recently been patented.

The League of Ameeican Wheelmen has a membership of more than 100,000 and is now by far the largest association of its kind in the world.

A new 200-mile road record for the State of Massachusetts has been established by R. C. Bell, who made the distance in fourteen hours and ten minutes.

Reading, Penn., claims the honor of constructing a bicycle for the future Emperor of Japan, Prince Yoshihito, who is a young man of about nineteen years of age.

J. Platt-Betts, the English rider, now in Australia, has reduced the one mile Australian record from one minute forty-eight seconds to one minute 47 2-5 seconds.

The Czarina of Russia is taking lessons on the bicycle at Darmstadt, and practises daily in the private school grounds. The Czar is already an experienced cyclist.

The Parisians have taken to the wheel as no other people in the world. They utilize it for all sarts of purposes, and everybody rides, from the soldier to the artists' girl models.

Among the latest novelties in Paris are handle-bars covered with pigskin and bound with silver-gilt. Attached is a pigskin bag in the side of which is inserted a small watch.

Cycling among the aristocracy of England has come to stay, says the London correspondent of Bearings, for since the example was set by Albert Edward himself, all of the nobility have hastened to get a wheel.

Several of the new chainless bicycles have been delivered to purchasers and one prominent wheelman rode one nearly thirty miles over New Jersey turnpikes. He expressed himself satisfied with the running qualities of the new machine.

One of the objections to a brake of the ordinary type is that it is rather difficult to deal with in case one uses an adjustable handle-bar. The adjustable handle-bar has come into general use, and is found to be entirely free from the objections that were alleged against it when it was first brought into vogue.

After many experiments a really interesting and practical game to be played by men and women mounted on bicycles has been evolved. It is called "Royal," and meets with great favor at all cycling centers. The game requires two teams of nine riders each, two coachers, two judges, a timekeeper, a scorekeeper and referee.

Next year the chainless bicycle will probably come into general use. Already one great bicycle company is manufacturing them and others will no doubt follow. They will look queer enough after the chain wheels have been so long in use. They are said to make better time and to be less likely to get out of order and dirty than

The army of China is sometimes put down at 9,00,000 soldiers.

THE FARM AND GARDEN.

ITEMS OF INTEREST ON AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Correcting Acid in Soil---Violet Disease--Put Pelargoniums in Pots---Making a Market for Buster---Etc., Etc.

VIOLET DISEASE.

There are several diseases affecting violets, the most destructive of which are root galls and leafy spots. So far no entirely satisfactory remedy has been found. Air-slaked lime dusted over the plants and soil is the most effective.

CORRECTING ACID IN SOIL.

Soils are said sometimes to be "sour," and lime is recommended to correct their acidity. In most cases a good underdrain will effect a permanent cure. These sour soils are usually very rich when drained, as their acidity has kept the most exhaustive crops from growing on them.

PUT PELARGONIUMS IN POTS.

The pelargoniums (Lady Washington geraniums) should be shifted into larger pots when they are done blooming, the branches cut back, the plants kept partially shaded until autumn. Let them grow slowly through the winter in a cool place, and toward spring, when buds begin to appear, they will bear heat, light and plenty of water. Remember, the pelargonium is a spring-blooming flower.

MAKING A MARKET FOR BUTTER.

Wherever a farmer sets himself to the work of dairying, he ought also to find some place to sell his butter product to private customers, rather than sell it to dealers, to be worked off with common and inferior stock. There are many in every neighborhood who would gladly contract their supplies of butter if they knew where they could get it of uniform quality. But to make this butter retailing successful there must be arrangements of silos and grain feeding for the winter dairy, so that good butter can be provided for customers in winter as well as in summer.

A PRODUCT OF POOR FARMING.

We generally think that the wide-awake and up-to-date farmer has the advantage in everything. He generally has, but the old saying that no rule is without its exception holds good here. The farmer who keeps the best hogs cannot grow a good quality of bristles. If he has one of the hairy breeds that show strong vitality, the bristles from a two or three-year-old boar may be worth keeping as bristles. But they will be far inferior to bristles from the wild hog as it ranges the forests of Continental Europe. The best brands of bristles have always come, and probably will continue to do so, from Russia. They are very stiff, and not even the bristles from the wild hog as it runs in Southern woods are as good. Probably our Southern wild pigs are mostly killed before they have attained age enough to have their bristles mature.—Boston Cultivator.

SMALL FRUITS.

The current bushes and grape vines can very easily be increased by taking well-ripened wood of this year's growth, as soon as the leaves fall, and cutting into pieces of three buds each Set these so that only the top bud is above ground in good soil upon the south side of some building or wall about 10 inches apart, and when the ground has frozen an inch or so deep cover with mulch a few inches deep. Do not uncover until the ground thaws out in the spring, and if the work is well done, nearly every one will live and begin to grow. Keep them free from weeds through the summer, and they will be ready to set in the fall or the following spring, as may be preferred. One can scarcely have too much of these fruits, and the greater number do not use them half freely enough. But little space is required to grow enough of them for family use, and not only every farm, but every village lot should be supplied with them. Neither those who own or those who hire tenements like to expend much in growing fruit around the houses, yet if the owners would try to improve their grounds in this way they would possibly get a better class of tenants and keep them longer, and some of them could use money to pay rent that now goes to the fruit pedlers.

DISEASES AMONG POULTRY.

These days many complaints come in of various forms of disease among poultry, while many run along year after year without any disease. When disease strikes a flock it has a discouraging effect on the breeder. Writing on this subject H. B. Geer in the Epitomist says:

"The chicken business is all very nice until disease comes along, and then comes the rub. At this season—August and September—when the weather is hot and cool by spells, that spectre of the poultry yard, chicken cholera, is very likely to stalk abroad. Now, we are free to say that we have never yet, in all the years that we have raised chickens, been able to define cholera—to corner it so to speak, and to tell just exactly what is is. Perhaps the old-time chicken cholera of our grandfathers has played out.

"We have dysentery among our chickens at times, particularly among the very smallest ones when in brooders, and then it often proves disastrous. But when grown fowls take the dysentery it does not spread, only one or two at a time being affected.

"There is, however, another disease that comes in the autumn that carries off the chickens young and old, and will keep it sometimes till all are gone. It is what we call limberneck in the South, and we suspect very strongly that it was the cholera of the olden times.

"It is nothing more nor less than the natural result of carelessness and impurity combined. It comes of the chickens eating the maggots contained in dead animal matter lying about on the surface of the ground in some fence corner or out-of-the-way place, and it will kill the chickens just as long as a new one comes along and is contaminated by it. Why chickens should pick, scratch about and eat the maggots in such stuff we do not know, but we do know that they will do it, and that it will kill them, too.

"So, if disease comes along now, and the chickens begin to die suddenly and mysteriously, go and make a search for the cause of the disease and bury it. Bury all the chickens that die too. Suffer nothing dead to lie unburied on the premises."

DAIRYING ADVANTAGES.

J. W. Newton, Stowe, Vermont, a practical dairyman, speaking of the advantages of dairying over other branches of farming, says: "The first advantage of dairying is that it takes less fertility from the soil than other branches of farming, sugar-making alone excepted. Authorities differ, but the following figures are approximately correct, round numbers being given. A ton of each product mentioned below takes fertilizing material from the soil as indicated by the figures: Corn, $6; oats, $7.50; hay, $6; clover, $9; potatoes,$2; fat oxen, $12; milk, $.250; cheese, $21; butter, 50cts.

"A ton of wheat takes seven dollars out of the farm and sells for less than sixteen dollars. A ton of butter takes fifty cents worth of plant food from the farm and sells for from four to six hundred dollars. Comment is useless.

"Second.—Butter is a condensed product. Nothing can be made or grown on the farm which brings as much per pound. Farms remote from market, and communities far from railroad can send butter from the farm or creamery with the least possible expense. Hardly any other far product can be loaded, a hundred to a thousand dollars worth at a time, upon a wagon and drawn to a shipping point so readily as butter. The dairyman can condense tons of fodder and crops grown on the farm into dairy products, and send them to market in compact and portable form.

"Third.—Butter is a finished product. It is made ready for the consumer either in the private dairy or the local factory or creamery. The only exception is where cream is sent long distances to a central station from skimming stations scattered over a large seciton of country. But this exception only proves the rule. Much that is produced on the farm is raw material, and must be manufactured or otherwise prepared for use after leaving the farm.

"Fourth.— Darying brings in a constant income. The man who sells crops of any kind has to wat until he can market his crops once a year. There is a little satisfaction in this. It is unbusiness like to go without cash fifty-one weeks and then have a lot of money come in at one time. The dairyman has an income nearly or quite fifty-two weeks in a year.

"Fifth.—Dairying gives constant remunerative employment. The grain or potato grower must spend a large part of the year in enforced and demoralizing idleness, but the dairyman finds profitable work through the year and his work is most profitable in the winter time.

"Sixth.—On the dairy farm the work is better divided. The grain harvest comes so close to haying that it often gets mixed up with it to the detriment of both; but where corn is grown and put into the soil for dairy feed,and not so much or no grain raised, the harvests are several weeks apart. Then in winter dairying, there is a let up in the dairy work at the busiest season of the year on the farm, while the dairy needs the most work when other farm work is lightest.

"Seventh.—Skill and brain work get better pay in darying than in any other branch of farming. To produce fine dairy products requires something besides hard work. The dairyman must have knowledge and skill and exercise great care. These are required in breeding and feeding dairy cows, and in handling dairy products. And the care bestowed and the skill exercised get pay in hard cash as they do in no other branch of farming.

"Eight.—There is more room at the top, greater opportunity to improve, than in any other farm work. Cows produce from150 to 500pounds of butter per year, and butter sells from ten cents to one dollar per pound. No other branch of agriculture shows anything like this, or gives such a chance to rise."

POULTRY NOTES.

First crosses produce vigorous fowls; the second cross produces mongrels.

Cater to the wants of your patrons. If they want white eggs, supply them.

Now is a good time to market the old non-laying hens. The hustling singers will fill the egg basket.

Do not let your fowls suffer for water during the dry weather. Thirsty hens will not lay.

When the combs and wattles of the fowls are of a bright red color it indicates a condition of health.

Provide nice, new nests for the hens, so they will not be compelled to seek the straw stack or half loft.

There is no lack of interest in the business, but there is much to learn and so many obstacles to overcome.

Those who expect to raise poultry without devoting constant care and attention to them will generally make a failure.

When you can enter the hen house after dark and hear no wheezing it proves there are not any roupy fowls in the flock.

When the fowls are kept busy scratching, the hens laying and singing and the cooks crowing, these are signs of good health.

Cull your flock. Resolve to keep better fowls and give them better care, and you will soon see an improvement that will do you good.

If you are a fancier, begin now to prepare your birds for the shows. Groom your fowls as you would your horse—therein lies half the battle.

Pick out a yard of the early pullets and feed them for eggs. If they can be got to begin laying before cold weather they will make the much-desired winter layers.

More and better stock is what is needed, and to secure it takes work and patience. Attention to the small details and constant care and watchfulness are absolutely necessary.

When fowls are judiciously fed, made to take exercise, and their quarters kept clean and free from lice, there is comparatively no trouble with sickness, except in cases of contagion.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS NOTES.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

Among the new industries for the week just ended The Tradesman reports the following: The Batesville Compress Co., capital, $30,000, Batesville, Ark.; electric light plants at Corbin, Ky.; Camden, S. C.; Brownsville, Dallas and Terrell, Tex.; extensive chemical works at Wilmington, N. C.; the Novelty Mill Co., capital, $200,000, at Parkersburg, W. Va., and other large flouring mills at Gaither, Ark.; Cherryville, N. C., and Lebanon, Tenn. Engine works will be erected at Portsmouth, Va.; the Charleston Land and Mining Co., capital, $500,000, has been chartered at Charleston, W. Va.; the Whitney Coal Co., capital, $10,000, at Louisville, Ky.; the Buford Saddlery Co., capital, $12,000, at Buford, Ga.; the West Virginia Torpedo and Powder Co., capital, $50,000, at Sistersville, W. Va.; the Consumers Petroleum Oil Co., capital, $12,000. at Corsicana, Tex., and the Williamson Oil Co., capital, $50,000, at Welch, W. Va. A cotton mill will be erected at Scooba, Miss., and woodworking plants will be established at Campbellsville and Dickson, Tenn., and Gilmerton, Va.

The enlargements are also an important feature of the week, among the number being: The Gordon Chemical Works, at Round Mountain, Ala., the plant of the Augusta (Ga.) Street Railway Co., at a cost of $25,000; the Macon (Ga.) Gas Light and Water Co.'s plants, at a cost of $100,000; the Alabama Foundry and Machine Works, New Decatur, Ala.; and cotton mills at Meridian, Miss., New London, N. C., and Yorkville, S. C. The Marietta (Ga.) Paper Mfg. Co. will increase its capital from $150,000 to $250,000.

Suicide of a Farmer.

Ira Lee, one of the leading farmers in Oconee county, South Carolina, strangled himself on his farm Saturday, by twisting his suspender around his neck. He had been in bad health.

Highwayman Gets $4,000.

The mail carrier was held up at Warren, Idaho, by a lone highwayman and ordered to dismount from his horse. The carrier was then told to cut the mail sack open, which he did, and the robber took all the registered mail and letters. There was about $4,000 in cash.

Chief Arthur will order a strike on the Ohio River Railroad unless the discharged engineers, Taylor, Shigsley, Bartell and Creel are reinstated.

Kelly Gets Thirty Years.

Joseph E. Kelley, one of the Great Falls bank robbers and self-confessed murderer of Cashier Stickney, was Friday sen enced at Dover, N. H., to thirty years imprisonment.

The Common Goal.

Hurry—What's the great aim of modern life?

Scurry—To be rich enough to get everything one doesn't want.—Brooklyn Life.

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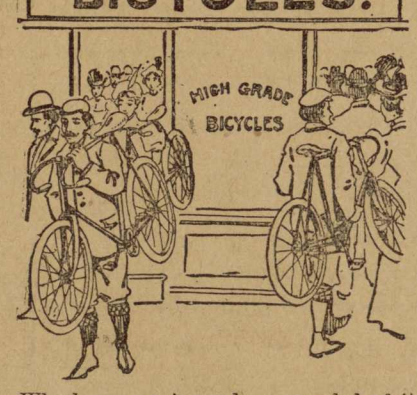

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Mrs. M. L. Johnson

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Mrs M A Harkins

Lono, Ark., writes: Have used Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine 20 years for Sick Headache, and cannot speak too highly of it. Have used Zeilin's Liver Regulator, also "Black Draught," but found both very inferior.

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Mark Hanna needs fumigation.

Yellow fever isn't so bad after all.

The Age-Herald wants dollar gas. We want dollar whiskey.

Farmers always sell their cotton when prices are falling. If cotton is high, they hold it for higher prices.

We have been wondering why the gas company charged so much for gas in Birmingham. We were in the city Saturday, and thought from the smell that they probably chaarged for leakage.

Will the Age-Herald investigate?

EDITOR NEWS:

If you will allow me the space, I will tell you of some things that should be stopped. Of course, some will kick. If you like, I will send them in next week.

SUBSCRIBER.

We will print anything not personal.—EDITOR.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES

The County Press of Centreville is one of the liveliest papers in the State.

The Age-Herald is making a big fight for dollar gas. The Age-Herald is always on the side of the people.

Although we don't agree with the Mobile Register, we admire their pluck.

The Sunny Southland of Calera has gone to pastures new.

A STAMP TRUST

It costs the government now just 5 cents for 1,000 stamps delivered anywhere in the United States. One thousand 2-cent stamps are sold for $20. It will thus be seen that Uncle Sam has a trust worth having, and that his profits are not to be despised, even by a bloated bondholder. In fact, Uncle Sam is envied so much by other capitalists that frequen ly other parties start into the business of printing stamps, without first securing a license or even trying to get one.

Sometimes the secret service office catches the guilty parties, but in case due discretion is exercised the counterfeiting of stamps is not very difficult, as little close attention is bestowed upon them in the mails. But the expense is so great and the returns so small that the counterfeiters do not linger long at a stamp job. During a single year the bureau of printing and engraving prints about $80,000,000 worth of stamps. This is over an average of $1 per head for every inhabitant of the United States, and indicates that we are a great race of letter writers, assuming that each person writes one letter a week. All people who write letters, however, are not thoughtful enough to prepay them. Some idea of the number of delinquent correspondents who like to send their letters postage due may be obtained from the fact that during the last fiscal year the value of postage due stamps affixed to letters without sufficient postage aggregated $450,658, mostly in 1-cent and 2 cent stamps.—Washington Star.

BLOCTON ITEMS.

Why not call and pay your subscription? It is due.

Don't fail to come to the grand ball on pay-day night.

Mr. E. N. Cottingham called to see us on Monday last.

Mrs. Auton is very sick. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Miss Daisy Hayes has been very sick, but is now convalescent.

Mrs. Bryson made a business visit to Birmingham Monday.

Mr. Walton C. Pratt, of River Bend, was in town this week.

Mr. Bush Riley has been laid up several days with a lame foot.

Hon. W. W. Shortridge, of Woodstock, was in town Monday.

Mrs. W. D. Cross is manager of J. J. Pledger's book business. We wish her success.

The Southern railroad company is putting in two iron bridges on their line near Hargrove.

Mrs. Gilbert will move to Bessemer this week. Her friends regret that she is going away.

Blocton had three weddings in one day last week. How is that for weddings these hard times?

Mr. Burgess Little, cashier of the Shelby County Bank, at Montevallo, visited home folk Sunday,

R. L. Rice, ex-editor of the Blocton News-Herald, is visiting friends in Blocton. We wish him success in his new business.

There will be a grand ball at Odd Fellows' hall on the night of pay-day, when a ten dollar guitar will be given the best dancer.

Mr. J. S. Ogletree will remove to Montevallo in the near future, where he will open a dairy. He is a good man, and we wish for him success in his new business.

N. L. Wilson, the new postmaster, took charge of the postoffice on the 16th. We regret to see Mr. Collier leave the office, for he has served the people of this town very faithfully while he has been postmaster.

We understand that 15 out of 16 of the damage suits in the Cahaba river wreck were compromised last week. Those that were compromised were represented by Bowman & Harch, of Birmingham, and Campbell & Thomas, of Blocton.

While in Birmingham a few days since, we had the pleasure of calling at E. E. Forbes' music house, and seen the celebrated Kranich & Bach's high grade and world-renowned pianos, also some of the finest organs that were ever brought to this state. So be sure, if you want the best, call on or write E. E. Forbes, Birmingham.

DOGWOOD.

Rev. T. J. Martin of Bessemer, delivered quite an able and influential sermon to quite a large congregation last Sunday.

Misses Hunter and Lacey, also Messrs. Vance Hayes and James W. Lacey of Maylene, attended church at this place Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davidson of this place, are spending a few days at Ganadarque with friends and relatives.

Mr. Isaac Powell of this place, went up to Birmingham last week and purchased a bran fired new top buggy and a fine horse. What's next, Uncle Ike?

Osce Burke of Ganadarque, spent Saturday and Sunday in town with relatives and friends.

W. E Harrison went out somewhere Sunday to see the girls, but we are nnable to say where he went

Rev. F. M. Wood and wife of Jemison, spent a few days in town last week with friends.

B. Y. H.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.
Probate Court, November Term,
November 8th, 1897.

Estate of Sarah E. Wells, Deceased.

To the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited, creditors of said estate:

The said estate having been reported insolvent by H. R. Wells, administrator thereof, the 13th day of December, 1897, has been appointed to hear and determine upon said report. You are, therefore, hereby given notice to be and appear at my office, at the Court House of said county, on said day, to contest the same, if you think proper.

Witness my hand, at office, this 8th day of November, 1897.

D. R. McMILLAN,
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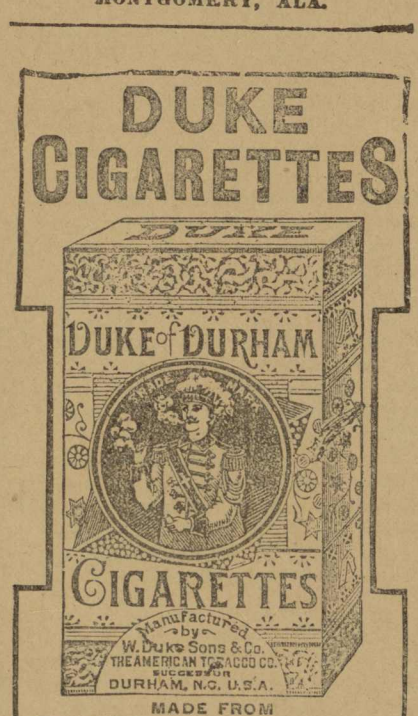

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Thanksgiving is coming—so is Christmas.

Dr. Gunn, of Calera, was in the city Monday.

The company store at Aldrich is being painted.

Mr. Charles West visited Tuscaloosa last week.

Mr. Osce Burke, of Saginaw, was in town Monday.

Miss Adelle Barnett, of Brewton, Ala., is in the city.

Mr. A. J. Day, of Ashby, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. F. F. Patterson, of Selma, was in the city Monday.

Dr. J. W. Pratt, of Aldrich, spent Tuesday in the city.

Charles Douglass, of Ebenezer, was in town Tuesday.

There are three new houses going up in south Montevallo.

Mr. Walter Howell, of Bessemer, was in the city Tuesday.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Friday was tax day, and there was a big crowd in town,

Dr J. D. Trammell, of Gurnee, was in town this week.

Mrs. Walter Eddings, of Six Mile, was in the city Tuesday.

Rev. F. M. Wood, of Jemison, was in the city this week.

It will be to your interest to buy from a man who advertises.

Editor N.A. Graham, of the Shelby Sentinel, was in town Monday.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Mr. A. L. Arnold of Six Mile, was in town yesterday and gave us a call.

Rev. N. J. Jarvis, of Dogwood, was in town a few hours Tuesday.

Mesdames Charles and Jas. Nash, of Aldrich, were in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Ned Seale and Wm, Bean, of Dogwood, were in town Tuesday.

Subscribe for the NEWS.

Mr. Burgess Little spent Sunday last with home folk at Blocton.

Rev. Mr. Sinnott, of Columbiana, filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Messrs. James Lacey and Vance Hayes, of Maylene, were in the city Sunday.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Mr. Ed Wilson of Brierfield, was in town yesterday and gave us a pleasant call.

It makes one have that tired feeling to hear the gold bugs talk about the bank sign,

The state and county tax gatherers were looking after their business here last week.

Professor Gibbons, president of Brierfield Normal college, was in town Saturday,

Mr. S. L. Bell, of Brierfield, agent for the Singer sewing machine, was in town Tuesday.

Rev. M. P. Reynolds preached a very interesting sermon at the Baptist church Sunday.

Mrs. H. R. Wells has just returned from Benton, where she has been visiting her father.

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Mr. D. J Moreland went to Birmingham Saturday to have an operation performed on his hand.

The citizens of Bibb county are rebuilding the school bnilding at Six Mile, recently burned.

Mr. F. S. Rice, representing E. E. Forbes' music house, Birmingham, was in town this week.

The NEWS intends to show up some of our c. o. d. fish aristocrats pretty soon in their true colors.

There was some stock sold in town Monday at mortgage sale. We are sorry that such things have to happen.

Prof. Clayton, of the Six Mile normal college, has resigned, and has returned to his home in Mississippi.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

Dr. Latham, of Ensley City, was visiting his wife this week, who has been spending some time with Mrs S. A. Latham.

On next Sunday Rev. P. L. Abernathy will preach his last sermon for this conference year. Of course we all expect him another year.

Messrs. W. S. Cary, R. S. Killough and several others left town Monday, to spend several days fishing and hunting on the Warrior river.

Our young Jew merchant, Michael Wolowitz, borrowed a wheel to ride to Calera last Sunday, and went two miles the other side before he discovered his mistake,

Mr. J. H. Brown is delivering nursery stock this week. He sold a great many fruit trees in this section. We are glad that the farmers are taking some interest in the fruit culture.

The Southern passenger and mail train from Birmingham to Selma, due to arrive here at 9.30 a. m. was about five hours late yesterday on account of a break down at Gurnee Junction.

The editor spent yesterday at Brierfield, and while there visited the normal college. We were very much surprised at the progress the school had made since we were there last. The school has been reorganized, and they now have a full set of teachers. The new president, Prof. Collier came from the Chattanooga normal college, where he had taught for some time, and comes highly recommended. From what we saw we think Brierfield normal college has a bright future, and we would advise anyone desiring to enter school to go to Brierfield.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire, in this public way, to express our sincere thanks to our neighbors—the good people of Montevallo—for their many manifestations of sympathy, during the severe illness of our little boy, Raymond.

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The Cosmos Club held its first literary meeting in the college chapel Nov. 13th, 1897.

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Having chosen for the first subject our own beloved "Alabama," the following program was rendered most successfully:

Prayer by Bro. Sinnott.

Address by the president, Miss Wilma Saunders.

Song, "My Country, 'tis of Thee," by the Club.

Reading of minutes by the secretary, Miss Niel Chandler.

Song, "Alabama," by the Club.

Vocal solo, Miss Katie Campbell.

Reading, Miss M. O. Henderson.

Vocal solo, Miss Carrie Lum.

Recitation, Miss Annie Whitten.

Reading, by Miss Lucie Leeper.

Vocal Solo, Miss Mamie Brown.

Report of the Scientist, Miss Lucile Wilkinson.

Report of the Bookist, Miss Dora Fonde.

Song No. 411, by the Club.

Closing prayer, Rev. M. P. Reynolds.

Immediately preceding the closing prayer, the young ladies present were pleasantly entertained by an interesting and beneficial talk from President H. C. Reynolds.

Several visitors and members of the faculty were present; also some of the sister clubs among the young ladies of the school, and added greatly to the occasion by their clearly expressed enjoyment of the evening.

After having chosen for the next subject "Whittier," the club adjourned to meet again November 27th,

Long live the Cosmos Club.

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Danced on till the stars grew dim;
But alone with her heart, from the world apart,
Sat the woman who loved him.

The woman he worshipped only smiled
When he poured out his passionate love;
While the other somewhere kissed her treasure most rare,
A book he had touched with his glove.

The woman he loved betrayed his trust,
And he wore the scars thro' life;
And he cared not nor knew, that the other was true,
But no man called her wife.

The woman he loved trod festal halls,
While they sang his funeral hymn;
But the sad bells tolled ere the year was old,
O'er the woman who loved him.

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Watch This Space Next Week.

THE BRIGHT DAYS.

The bright days—they are coming, no
matter what they say;
Beneath the snows of winter dreams
the violet of May,
And sometime—in the future, in the
golden years to be,
There'll be blossoms in the desert and
the streams'll sing to sea.

The bright days—they are coming;
there's a twinkling of the light.
In the storm that sheds its shadows on
the starry brow of night.
And some time—in the future, when
the clouds have faded far,
The sun will greet the morning and
the night will claim a star.

The bright days—they are coming; in
the cities, in the dells
There's a whisper of the music from
the morning's golden bells.
And sometime—in the future, when
the skies are bending blue,
There'll be angels at the windows and
they'll kiss their hands to you!

F. L. Stanton, in the Constitution.

MUSIC AND MATRIMONY.

"I am sure there can be no harm in it, mamma."

Maria's cheek was slightly flushed as she spoke the words, and something that was almost a tear gave a humid softness to her hazel eyes. She was a slight, delicate young girl, slender and willowly in her figure, and with a complexion that was transparently pale, save when some sudden emotion sent the crimsom tide over its surface. Her dress of deep mourning was plain, and even course in its detail; but there was womanly taste down to the very arrangement of its somber folds.

"Harm? of course there is no harm," sighed Mrs. Cooper, mechanically raising her handkerchief to her eyes. "But who would ever have supposed that Harry Cooper's daughter would be reduced to giving music lessons, and to advertise for pupils in the daily papers? If your poor, dear papa had but lived?"

"But, mamma, only listen!" said Maria, taking up the paper; "it is nothing so very terrible, after all—'Wanted, a few pupils on the piano, at moderate prices. Apply by letter to M. C.,—— street.' You see, mamma, I have only given the initials of my name."

"It is just as degrading!" sighed Mrs. Cooper.

"I do not see any degradation," pleaded Maria, earnestly. "Since it has become necessary for me to earn our daily bread, where is the harm of availing myself of one of the accomplishments on which so much money has been expended? Indeed, mamma, I feel quite proud to think I can make my knowledge of music serviceable."

"Just like you, Maria—you never had the least bit of aristocratic blood in you!" groaned the lady in the widow's cap and bombazine draperies. "You are the very counterpart of your poor, dear father."

Maria, who had been gazing listlessly out of the window, suddenly sprang up at this moment.

"Mercy on us child! what's the matter?"

"It's the postman, mamma—he is coming here! Perhaps my advertisement may have been answered—who knows? This is the second day of its insertion, you know."

She ran lightly down-stairs, and opened the door before the red-armed servantmaid had got fairly across the kitchen threshold.

"M——— C———?" said the postman, inquiringly, as he sorted a note from his neatly-tied packets.

Maria caught the letter, and ran up to her mother's room with it, her eyes sparkling with animation.

"A real, veritable answer, mamma—my first pupil! What do you think now? See, I am to go to Fifth avenue this afternoon at 3 o'clock to give three lessons a week. The writer wishes to know if I consider three dollars a lesson enough. Enough! Why, mamma, I feel rich! Isn't it splendid?"

"Who is it?" languidly questioned the mother.

"The letter is signed C. Harvey—probably some lady who wishes her little girl to attain a knowledge of music, mamma. That is quite encouraging."

Mrs. Cooper, however, only heaved a deep sigh, and stitched industriously away at her sewing, with an ominous shake of her head.

As the hour-hand of the little gilded clock—one of the few relics they had ventured to preserve of more prosperous days—jumped toward the figure three, Maria arranged her pretty hair with even more care than she usually bestowed and donned bonnet and shawl, to set forth on her mission.

"Good-by, mamma."

"Good-by, Maria. I only hope you'll not be disappointed."

It was a little discouraging to Maria to have cold water sprinkled on her buoyant hopes in this sort of way, much as she was accustomed to her mother's shady views of life; but she bit her cherry-red lips violently, and winked back the tears that sprang to her eyes, trying to remember that she was no longer little Miss Cooper, but a dignified music mistress.

She rang the bell at No. — Fifth avenue, a handsome house, with a vestibule paved with mosaic marble.

"I wish to see Mrs. Harvey."

"Mrs. Harvey?" repeated the servant, with a puzzled air.

Maria handed him the letter.

"You see I call on business," she said, quietly. "I presume I am expected?"

The man, a gray-headed, respectable-looking old servitor, glanced from the letter to the young lady and back again, in some astonishment. However, he returned the letter with a bow.

"What name shall I give, ma'am?"

"No name; announce me as the music-teacher, if you please."

She followed the man through a wide hall to a door, which he threw open with the words:

"The music-teacher, sir."

It was a large, handsome room, elegantly decorated with pictures and crimsom window-hangings. At the further end stood a grand piano, closed, however, and on a sofa beyond sat a gentleman of about thirty, reading. He was dark and handsome, with black hair and a bronzed complexion, like that of a man who had spent many years in foreign countries. As Maria entered he rose with rather a perplexed expression of countanence.

"May I inqrire what has procured me this honor."

Maria blushed, stammered, and at length succeeded in faltering out the words:

"I am sorry to interrupt you, sir, but I called to give a music lesson, according to appointment. Will you please introduce me to my pupil?"

"You are——"

"I am the person, sir, who advertised under the initials M. C."

The gentlemen's turn for embarrassment had come now, it seemed, for he colored scarlet up to the very roots of his hair.

"I thought—I understood—that M. C. was a man?"

"No, sir," faltered Maria; "but I assure you I can produce the very best testimonials of my ability to teach music. If you will summon my pupil——"

Mr. Harvey laughed and loked even more embarrassed than before.

"There are misunderstandings all round," he said; "at least, it would seem so. The truth is—I hope it will make no difference, but—well, I may as well speak out at once—I am the pupil."

"You, sir?"

Maria stood dismayed, her soft, hazel eyes fixed wonderingly on the tall six-footer who towered above her, as he stood leaning against the mantelpiece.

"The fact is," said he, speaking rapidly, to cover this embarrassment, "my life has nearly all been spent in India, and now, on my return, I am anxious to acquire some of the accomplishments, which I have always coveted. And— But you are weeping!"

It was too true. The disappointment had been too keen for Maria's seif-control, and the tears had begun to drop noiselessly on her bonnet ribbon. She brushed them nervously away.

"It is nothing," she faltered; "only the—the disappointment. We are poor, and had so counted on a music scholar, and—"

Poor little Maria! she fairly broke down here, and hid her face behind her crape veil.

"But I do not see why we should both be disappointed, I in a teacher, and you in a pupil," said the gentleman, earnestly. "Of course, you will not care to come here to give an old bachelor his lessons, but is there any good reason why an old bachelor shouldn't come to your residence? I assure you I'm ready to be convinced that you will make an excellent teacher."

Maria smiled through her tears. There was something very ridiculous in the idea of that stalwart, handsome fellow calling himself an old bachelor.

"May I come?" persisted he, as he moved toward the door.

"I will see if mamma considers it proper," she said.

"I should like to state the question to mamma myself," said the gentleman. "May I not accompany you home, and— perhaps—take my first lesson?"

Maria was half uncertain whether she was doing right or wrong, but the bright, frank eyes of the stranger pleaded powerfully in his behalf; so she said, a little ungraciously:

"Yes, if you choose."

Mrs. Cooper was considerably astonished to see her daughter return with red eyes and a tall escort, but after mature deliberation, she decided that Mr. Harvey might, with propriety, receive lessons from her daughter, provided that she presided over the piano. And so——

But what is the use of spinning a story into endless length when our whole purpose will be answered precisely as well by a peep into the handsome drawing-room in Fifth avenue, about three years subsequently.

A bright fire glowed in the grate, and beside the window sat Mrs. Cooper, stately as ever, with a baby grandson crowing on her knee, and making vain snatches at her gold spectacles. Mr. Harvey was at his writing table, busily engaged in letter-writing. The door opened, and a pretty, hazel-eyed young wife came in—our old friend Maria.

"Harry, I want to cut a pattern," she said, taking an old newspaper from one of the compartments of the open desk. "May I have this paper? It is about the right size."

He looked up into her brilliant eyes with arch tenderness.

"My love, I would rather give you almost anything else in my possession."

"Why?" she asked, leaning over his shoulder, as he unfolded the rescued paper and glanced eagerly over it.

"Because, dearest, if it hadn't been for this paper, I should never have had the sweetest wife in the world."

And he pointed smilingly to the tiny little advertisement in an obscure corner:

"Wanted, a few pupils on the piano, at moderate prices. Apply by letter to M. C., No. — — street."

ICELAND PONIES.

Equine Marvels of Strength and Endurance.

If the camel is the ship of the desert, the Iceland pony is the cab, train, omnibus and tramcar of the wonderful country to which he belongs. To begin with, he is a misnomer. He is not a pony in the ordinary sense of the word; he is a horse; in bone and sinew, in strength and endurance, in manners and deportment—a horse in everything, in fact, except inches, and a sober, steady hard-working horse too. He is a "concentrated essence" of horseflesh. He can swim like a fish, climb like a goat and jump like a deer. He sticks at nothing, and takes every variety of travel—bog, lava bed, sand, bowlders and grass mounds—with undistrubed equanimity. If he has to ford one or two rivers, with strong currents flowing girth-deep, it is all in the day's work. Only give him time and periodical halts for refreshment, and he will do his fifty miles per day, and thrive upon it.

Iceland ponies are bred in hundreds in the large grass plains in the southern districts of the island. Little or no care is taken in selection, so the breed remains unaltered and unimproved, the average pony standing from eleven and a half to twelve and a half hands, though here and there one will reach to nearly thirteen hands. Every variety of color is seen, but skewbalds of many shades are the commonest. The chestnuts, as a rule, are the finest and the browns the hardiest. Beautiful cream colors, with light points, are not infrequent; black is very rare and roan also. Their paces are fast, considering the size of the animal, a journey of thirty-two miles being often done in six hours or less, with heavy baggage. They trot, canter and gallop, but the pace most esteemed by the natives is the amble or "skeid," in which the fore and hind legs on a side are advanced simultaneously, giving a running action. A good "pacer" is considered very valuable, and is often sold for a high price. Some of these ponies amble so fast that they keep ahead of another going at a hand-gallop, and they maintain the pace for a day's journey under a weight of eleven to fourteen stone. Iceland ponies are steady and fast in harness, though wheels are a comparatively new departure in their country. They travel mostly in strings, often tied head and tail. Hay, baggage and household goods are thus transported, and building materials also. You meet a "timbur-lestur," or timber team, of from eight to ten ponies, one carrying planks trailing on each side, another strips of iron, another bundles of tools; a certain number of spare animals running loose, and not infrequently a foal or two.

It is as rare to see a dead Iceland pony as a dead donkey, though their skulls are often visible, half trodden into the miry ways surrounding the farms. The pony begins work at six or seven years—hard work, that is to say. He is early apprenticed to his trade by following his mother at her avocations, and when he is foot-sore is strapped upon her back. He works well up to twenty years and over, and often remains sound to a ripe old age. He feeds on the fat of the land in summer, and in winter, if his owner is poor, must live on his wits and his stored condition. Farmers who are fairly well off keep their animals in during winter and feed them on hay; but, notwithstanding, many of the ponies have a hard time of it. The Icelanders, however, keep their steeds as well as their means allow, and treat them altogether in a brotherly fashion.—London Globe.

Oiling the Waves.

Lighthouses in Denmark are supplied with oil, which is pumped on the waves during a storm. This explains the fact that two or three vessels are always to be seen round each lighthouse in rough weather.

The low-cut bodice this winter will be worn with very long sleeves made tight-fitting at the wrists by means of loops and jweled buttons, the sleeves spreading out around the hand like the petals of a flower. Fullness at the top of the sleeve should be reduced to a minimum.

The remarkable echo at Eagle's Nest, on the banks of the Killarney, Ireland, repeats a bugle call 109 times, each clear and distinct.

The deepest river bed is said to be the Niagara, under the Suspension Bridge.

ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Big Contract Let.

The Anniston Pipe & Foundry Company let the contract Thursday for the brick and carpenter work necessary in rebuilding the big shop to Mr. W. W. McAfee, formerly of Anniston, but now of Atlanta. The contract for the steel roof will probably be let next week.

A Young Lady Drowned.

While attempting to ford the river near Tuscumbia, Miss Barrett and two companions were thrown from their wagon. They landed on an island and were picked up in a boat by a negro. The boat capsized shortly after all got into it, and Miss Barrett was drowned. The others escaped.

Greenville is the Fever Line.

Governor Johnston, acting under advice of a majority of the board of health, issued a proclamation Saturday removing quarantine on Alabama mails and freight and exempting all points in the state excepting those south of Greenville from quarantine regulations on and after Tuesday morning.

Sixteen Damage Suits Settled.

Sixteen of the suits against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, growing out of the Cahaba river wreck of December 27, were compromised Wednesday, and will be dismissed from the docket in the United States Court. It is probable that the remaining suits will be compromised.

Orphans' Home for Colored Children.

The Alabama Colored Orphans' Home is the name of a new association to be formed by Birmingham ministers. The home will be opened November 26 for the reception of orphans and other destitute colored children. It is proposed to secure a tract of thirty or forty acres of land near the city and erect suitable buildings thereon.

A Strike in Walker County.

Fifty miners employed in the Mountain Valley mines, in Walker county, are out on a strike. The men were given an increase of five cents on the ton a short time ago, and everything ran smoothly for a few days, when, it is alleged, the mine operators increased the price of all goods in the commissary to correspond with the increase in wages. This caused the strike.

Arresting Postal Law Violators.

Postoffice Inspector Warren, of the Chattanooga division, has succeeded in breaking up and arresting a big gang of postal crooks in North Alabama. During the past week he has arrested not less than fifteen men, all on the charge of using the mails to defraud. The field of operation seems to have been the neighborhood around Attalla, Weaver's Station and Union Grove. The particulars of this successful raid have not been given out yet.

Grading in Rapid Progress.

The work on the grading of the Selma & Atlanta Air Line has been going on despite the yellow fever scare and the quarantine. About two miles and a half have already been graded, including two large fills. Friday a car load of new scrapers, which have been in quarantine, arrived and were put to work with about fifty more mules. Contractor Carson states that in a few days a level stretch of country will be reached and rapid progress will be made.

Profitable Gold Mining.

A piece of ore taken from a mine in Cleburne county recently, assayed $1,000 to the ton in gold. This was an exceptionally rich piece of ore. The general ores, as taken from mines in this locality, run from $5 to $150 per ton, and where the ore is not too refractory from $3 to $5 per ton makes very profitable mining operations. The Royal mine at Tallapoosa is working $3 to $4 surface ore at a cost not to exceed $1.25 per ton, is running 100 tons daily and intends shortly to increase the capacity of its mill to 200 tons.

Forming a Union Label League.

A labor organization is now being formed in Birmingham which may play some part in the local political affairs, and especially in the next general election. The new organization will be known as the Union Label League, and will have for its chief purpose the encouragement of the use of the union label and the furtherance of the interests of organized labor in general. Its doctrine will be to encourage home merchants and manufacturers to use the union label and employ union help, and it will endeavor to elect to office such men as are friendly to organized labor.

Mortgages Non-Taxable.

The court of Madison county commissioners has delivered a ruling on the subject of taxation of chattel mortgages which will result in a great loss to the state treasury if the courts of other counties make the decision. In reporting assessments on escaped property, Tax Commissioner Turner assessed chattel mortgages in Madison county to the amount of nearly $300,000. The tax asessor entered these on his books and delivered them to the collector. A number of mortgagees holding crop and chattel mortgages decided to contest the right of the county offices in making these assessments, with the result that the commissioners, on the advice of Judge Richard Walker, an ex-judge of the supreme court, decided the mortgages to be non-taxable property.

Meetings Arranged.

Definite arrangements have been made for taking up the subject of the reciprocity treaty between the United States and Canada and to this end meetings have been fixed between Hon. John W. Kasson, who is specially designated by President McKinley to conduct the reciprocity negotiations, and Sir Louis Davies minister of marine. This is the result of a long and friendly conference held between Secretary Sherman and Sir Wilfred.

ALABAMA NEWS GLEANINGS.

A movement is on foot to build a new Christian church in Selma.

Sunday school organizations are being formed in the various counties.

The Marion county prisoners are confined at Vernon jail, as the jail at Hamilton is undergoing repairs.

Dr. Thomas R. Ward, a prominent physician of Greensboro, died Sunday night. He was 71 years old.

Calhoun county Confederate Veterans will purchase Sulphur Springs camp grounds and erect a home for needy old soldiers.

The receipts at the treasury will likely enable the auditor to send out the Confederate pension warrants about the last of the month.

All of the railroads except the Louisville and Nashville have resumed the running of their trains suspended on account of the quarantines.

The Montgomery city council has elected Ed. Houser, a railroad engineer, to fill the vacancy caused by the death from yellow fever of Alderman Deming.

The Italian colony in Baldwin county is reported to have succeeded beyond expectations. The hills surrounding the members' homes are vine-clad, and in their gardens, which are carefully cultivated, they have planted olive trees and other fruits. The promoters of the colony are very much pleased with the outlook.

Three Indians Hanged by a Mob.

At Bismarck, N. D., Alexander Coudot, Indian half breed, Paul Holytrack and Philip Ireland, full blooded Indians, the first of whom was sentenced to death for the murder of six members of the Syicer family last February and had just been granted a new trial by the supreme court, and the latter two self-confessed accessories in the murder, were taken from the county jail in Emons county Saturday night and lynched. The lynching had been apparently cooly planned and was carried out without a break in the programme.

In Each Others Arms.

Rome Bronson and Florence Williams, his betrothed, were overtaken by a storm on Blackpoint Mountain, near Little Rock, Ark., and both perished. After an all-night search they were found dead locked in each others arms under a tree where they had taken refuge from the storm. They had been struck by lightning. The bodies were interred in the same grave on the mountain side on their wedding day.

Will be Included in Amnesty Decree.

Dispatches from Madrid confirm the previous reports to the effect that the prisoners captured on board the American schooner Competitor, in April, 1896, will be included in the general amnesty decree soon to be issued. The second trial by court martial of the Competitors' crew was to have begun on Monday last, but was postponed on account of the sickness of the president of the court.

Banks Fail.

Three banks, respectively located in Leavenworth, Ind., and at Marengo and English, with deposits estimated to aggregate $160,000, have closed their doors. R. H. Willet, cashier of the parent bank and principal stockholder in the other two concerns, has left for parts unknown.

Sovereign Aspires to the Presidency.

A special from Louisville, Ky., says that J R. Sovereign, the retiring general master workman of the Knights of Labor, has resigned his position in order that he might push his candidacy for president of the United States in 1900.

The horses of German cavalry regiments are to be entirely shod with paper shoes, recent experiments as to their durability and lightness having proved very satisfactory.

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

CHATTANOOGANS TO BUILD A COTTON MILL.

A Polar Expedition to be Dispatched to the Arctic Regions—Mt. Vesuvius in Active Eruption—Two Boys Killed While Watching a Circus Loading.

At Helenwood, Tenn., Maynard Cecil was shot and instantly killed by Deputy Sheriff Kenton.

At Maryville, S. C., fire destroyed the Frederick Demining Industrial School for the colored race.

Ex-President Cleveland has named his son Richard Folsom, in honor of Mrs. Cleveland's father.

The general missionary committee of the Methodist Episcopal church appropriated $1,139,940 to domestic and foreign missions.

Charles Page Bryan, of Illinois, has been appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States to China.

John C. Bullit, Jr., formerly or Big Stone Gap, Va., once a prominent lawyer of Duluth, Minn., committed suicide in New York Friday.

Fire destroyed the foundry and machine shops at Middlesboro, Ky., Thursday, entailing a loss of $500,000, with insurance of $100,000.

The Texas cold storage law has been declared unconstitutional. This law attempted to prohibit the storing of liquors in local option towns.

The building known as "The Lion" in Chicago was burned the past week. The building and contents were valued at $160,000. Insurance $130,000,

The Young Men's Business League of Chattanooga has undertaken to raise $50,000 to build a cotton mill. Outside capitalists will put in a like amount.

The British steamer Governor, from Galveston for Newport News, passed Cape Henry Friday. She signalled the Weather Bureau office that her cargo was on fire.

At Hayden, Ky., in a row over politics, John Sebre shot and killed Henry Davis, and Sebre was shot and mortally wounded by Mollie Davis, a sister of Henry.

Edward Hankins was hanged Thursday at Danville, Va. He was 52 years of age. His crime was the murder of Dr. John Roy Cable, a prominent citizen of Danville.

President J. J. Durragh, charged with wrecking the Kansas City Safe Deposit & Savings bank, has been found guilty and sentenced to two years in the state penitentiary.

United States court at Chattanooga decided that the eastern band of Cherokee Indians had no rights as citizens, and cannot make contracts without the sanction of the government.

It is reported that Commissioner of Pensions H. Clay Evans will soon remove from Chattanooga to Philadelphia, Pa., the state of his nativity, where he will actively engage in politics in the Keystone state.

The Russian minister to the United States, M. Kotzebue, has been relieved of his post at his own request owing to his ill health. His successor has been appointed in the person of Count Cassini, present Russian minister at Pekin.

The eruption of Mount Vesuvius, which began on Monday last, is increasing in activity. The spectacle is grand. Columns of smoke and tongues of flame are belching forth from the central crater, while showers of cinders are falling.

King Oscar and a number of private persons have contributed sufficient money to insure the dispatch of a Swedish polar expedition in 1898, which will be led by Professor Nathorst, the geologist. The cost of the expedition is estimated at 70,000 crowns.

While watching the Pawnee Bill Company load their stock at Girardville station, Pa., Enoch Davis, aged 19; Henry Jones, aged 21; Edward Davis, aged 22, and Frank Grady, aged 24, were struck by an engine. Enoch Davis and Henry Jones were killed. and the last two seriously injured.

By an almost unanimous vote the Georgia house of representatives agreed to appropriate $500 for the painting of a life-sized picture of the late Charles F. Crisp, to be hung in the state capitol. The original bill called for an appropriation of $1,000, but passed with an amendment making it $500.

The expert who has been engaged for several months in examining the books and accounts of ex-State Treasurer Bartley, of Nebraska, submitted his report of the legislative investigating committee showing Bartley's shortage to be $870,000. Bartley is now in the Douglas county jail under a twenty-year sentence in the penitentiary.

James R. Sovereign, who has been general master workman of the Knights of Labor for the past four years, was relieved of his office Friday by the general assembly, which has been in session in Louisville, Ky., since Monday last. Harry A. Hicks, of District 263, New York City, was chosen to fill Mr. Sovereign's place.

The bubonic plague is raging in the districts of Poona, Shotapur and Suri, India. It has also appeared at Kota, near Karachi in Sinde, and at Jand Kawal, in Junudulun district. Near Hardwar a colony of monkeys have been attacked by the disease. The authorities are destroying and isolating the diseased animals.

The attack on President Moreas, of Brazil, and the killing of General Betancourt, late minister of war, last Friday afternoon, was the result of a widespread conspiracy. The government's proclamation declaring the federal district of Nictheroy in a state of seige has been ratified by congress, which has passed a bill confirming it.

"LORD" BERESFORD'S ILL LUCK.

His Father-in-Law Drops Dead—Pelkey's Brother Gets the Fortune.

Thursday afternoon Alexander Pelkey, the father-in-law of the notorious Sidney Lascelles, alias Lord Beresford, dropped dead in the office of the Lee house at Fitzgerald, Ga.

Mr. Pelkey was about fifty-two years of age, and came to Fitzgerald from Rhode Island nearly two years ago. His property interests at Fitzgerald is composed of a handsome brick block, a number of fine business and residence lots, worth in the aggregate nearly $15,000. His property and other interests in Rhode Island is supposed to be about $35,000, making in all nearly $50,000, to which his only brother, at Westerly, R. I.. was made heir, with request that he provide for Clara, Lascelles' wife, in case she ever gets rid of her "hypnotic husband," whom she still follows in his career of crime, utterly unable to break the magnetic spell which he has over her.

PENNSYLVANIANS IN THE SOUTH.

Several Thousand Veterans Come to Dedicate Monuments to Fallen Heroes.

Governor Daniel H. Hastings, of Pennsylvania, and staff and the Commander-in-Chief, General J. S. B. Goben, of the Grand Army of the Republic, with his staff, arrived in Chattanooga a few days since to visit Chickamauga battlefields. Many special trains loaded with Pennsylvanians also accompanied the governor and several thousand veterans.

The event was for the regimental dedication of monuments. The survivors of the regiments engaged in the Chickamauga battle gathered around the monuments erected in their honor and dedicated them with appropriate exercises. Their exercises consisted principally of addresses, music and the unveiling of the monuments.

WHITECAPS' BLOODY WORK.

Two White Girls Are Given a Terrible Beating in Ohio.

From Oakwood, Ohio, comes the news of an outrage perpetrated Thursday night by whitecaps upon two girls, Edith and May Roberts, aged 17 and 19 years. Ten days ago the young ladies received a whitecap notice warning them to leave the town and county, but they paid no attention to it. Last evening they retired early, and during the night they were awakened by a band of eight or ten men entering their room and dragging them from their beds in their night robes to the road, where they were terribly whipped by a cat-o'-nine-tails. After beating the two girls, the whitecaps gave them a coat of tar and feathers and took them back to the house, where they were found unconscious the following morning.

The Low Water Mark.

General Wade Hampton, who has just been succeeded by General Longstreet as commissioner of railroads, has submitted to the interior department his report for the past fiscal year. He says that the year marked the low water mark of railway construction. During the year thirty-four companies, with 5,441 miles of road, passed into the hands of the courts and fifty-eight others, previously placed in receiverships, were sold at foreclosure. A steady improvement in railroad earnings during the first six months of the current year is noted, an improvement particularly apparent in the bond-aided Pacific railroads.

Receiver Asked For.

A bill for receiver and injunction has been filed in the United States federal court against the Southern Home Building and Loan association, of Atlanta, Ga. The bill was brought by stockholders of the association who reside in Alabama, and who claim that the association cannot pay its withdrawal stock and that it is being conducted at a great loss to the stockholders. The charge is also made of insolvency, and the court was asked to name a receiver to take charge of the association's business and hold the assets subject to the future orders of the court.

EXPERT GUITERAS' REPORT.

A Summary of the Doctor's Observation in the Recent Epidemic.

SAYS IT CAME FROM THE ISLAND OF CUBA.

Declares Microscopes Cannot Establish Diagnosis of the Disease--Will Spread More Rapidly When Dengue Fever Exists--Insists Upon Report of First Case.

Dr. John Guiteras, professor of oxygenal patenology in the University of Pennsylvania, has made a report to Surgeon General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital Service, of the result of his investigations of yellow fever during the recent epidemic in the South. The report is largely technical in character, but also contains some observations of general interest in connection with the development of the disease.

Dr. Guiteras says that the conditions existing in Cuba during the early part of the past summer made it very probable that yellow fever would extend from the island to this country.

Discussing the general subject of yellow fever diagnosis, Dr. Guiteras holds that during life the miscroscope could not establish a positive diagnosis of the disease. He speaks of this in connection with the statement that an erroneous belief has prevailed throughout the South, especially among physicians who were not practical miscroscopists, that the instrument should be an important aid in the diagnosis of the disease. It is pointed out that even with the assistance of post mortem examinations, Sanreil, the yellow fever expert, was able to discover his bacillus in 56 per cent only of the cases examined.

Dr. Guiteras says as far as our present methods go it would be impossible to distinguish between a drop of yellow fever blood and bload from a healthy man. Reference is made to the prevalence of a widespread mild epidemic fever during the present outbreak of yellow fever, many of the cases of which Dr. Guiteras thinks were types of dengue. Yellow fever appears to spread more rapidly when there is an epidemic of dengue prevailing. All evidence goes to show that a prevous attack of dengue does not protect against yellow fever and the former must be looked upon as an entirely distinct diseases.

Dr. Guiteras thinks the cause of yellow fever epidemics is to be found in the introduction into a community of cases that are not suspected to be the disease, which occurs probably most frequently in connection with colored people, who usually have the fever in a mild form. The importance of the diagnosis of the first case of yellow fever in a community is strongly insisted upon.

In concluding Dr. Guiteras speaks of the interference with his movements by the fears of communication that he might convey the disease from place to place, fear, he says, which was in part genuine and due to ignorance, but was also in part a pretended fear by those who knew better.

A DEATH-DEALING ENGINE.

Two Men Are Instantly Killed in a Saw Mill Disaster.

In White's saw mill at Elkmont Springs, Tenn., Thursday, a terrible accident occurred, which cost the lives of Simon Whit, owner of the mill, and George Cook, the engineer, and the complete demolition of the mill property. The trouble was caused by a belt slipping off and striking the small belt of the governors. This was displaced and the machinery ran wild. The large fly wheel, unable to resist the terrible speed, began to part and sections of it were thrown over the room. Cook was struck by a piece of the wheel and instantly killed. Mr. Whit ran in to see what was the matter and received a death blow. The mill was completely wrecked and there was little left of the engine when steam was finally shut off.

Durrant Granted a Respite.

William Henry Theodore Durrant, who was sentenced to be hanged at San Quentin, Cal., last Friday, for the murder of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, was granted a respite by the supreme court of California a few hours prior to the appointed hour, on a writ of probable cause.

Closed Their Work.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy ended their fourth annual convention at Baltimore. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Kate Cabell Currie, Dallas, Tex., president; Mrs. D. G. Wright, Baltimore, first vice-present; Mrs. Helen C. Plane, Atlanta, Ga., second vice-president; Mrs. J. P. Hickman, Nashville, Tenn., senior secretary; Mrs. Annie W. Duncan, Vicksburg, Miss., corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. Jefferson Thomas, Atlanta, treasurer.

The convention adjourned to meet next year in Hot Springs, Ark.

POST-EPIDEMIC CRUSADE

Will Be Inaugurated by the Marine Hospital Service.

Now that the yellow fever epidemic in this country has been brought practically to an end by the appearance of cold weather the marine hospital service is preparing to begin a post-epidemic crusade for the purpose of preventing a recurrence of the contagion next year. The officials of the bureau will cooperate with the health authorities of the various states affected in conducting a thorough disinfection of the districts in which the fever gained a foothold. The cleansing of all infected cities will be urged and each house in which there was a case of fever will be thoroughly fumigated. It is believed that by pursuing this course the country can be protected against another yellow fever epidemic in 1898.

Montgomery Clear.

No new cases of yellow fever and no deaths were reported at Montgomery Friday. Only five cases have been reported the past week, and almost all of the patients have practically recovered.

New Orleans Almost Free.

The number of new cases of yellow fever at New Orleans Friday was 7; deaths, 2. Total cases of yellow fever to date, 1,790; total deaths from yellow fever to date, 559.

At Mobile Friday three new cases and one death was reported.

All other towns infected are free from new cases, and the end of the epidemic is at hand.

NO BLUFF IN THIS.

Germany Orders a Warship to Port au Prince to Defend Her Honor.

The German warship Geflon is unde orders to sail for Port au Prince, Hayti, this month, in order to insist upon redress for the arrest there of Herr Lueders, a German subject, and his unlawful imprisonment, for which Count Scherwein, the German minister at Port au Prince, has demanded an indemnity. Lueders is now believed to be in Germany, having been released from prison in order to avoid further complications, the natives of Port au Prince having threatened to mob the German legation and lynch Lueders. The fitting out of the warship is being hastened as much as possible. The officials of the German foreign office do not believe the matter will be adjusted for some time to come, because the Haytian government has assumed a stubborn attitude.

A dispatch from Berlin says: "The United States is credited here with offering its intervention in the difficulty between Germany and Hayti, but the German government is waiting for the arrival of Herr Lueders and the report of Count Schwerein, due by the next mail packet."

A PASSENGER TRAIN BURNED.

A High Wind Overturned a Car and the Train Rushed Into It.

A passenger train on the Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis road was derailed and entirely consumed by fire Thursday morning near Lewisport, Ky. No lives were lost, and, so far as is known, no one was seriously injured.

The accident was attributed to the freak of the high wind, which overturned a box car standing on the Lewisport siding. The car fell directly across the main track and near a sharp curve in the road. It was not seen by the engineer of the passenger train until it was too late to stop the engine, and the train rushed into the obstruction, caught fire and before anything could be removed was entirely consumed.

AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS

To be Protected—Gen. Blanco Issues an Order to Allow No Molestation.

Captain-General Blanco has issued a circular announcing that he has decided to fnrnish all the necessary protection to bring about a general resumption of planting, harvesting and reconstruction throughout Cuba, especially in the way of the sugar crop. He sets forth that all the officials are to lend unstinted assistance to the owners of plantations and farmers in their efforts to gather their crops and tend their cattle. They are instructed to encourage to the utmost those who are apprehensive of grinding sugar cane and to offer them assurance and the necessary military forces.

Renew Hostilities.

A dispatch from Constantinople says that some Greek bands which crossed through the Thessalian frontier, between Dishkat and Domenik, have been repulsed by the Turks, who killed many of the invaders and captured a large number of prisoners. The Turks also seized 150 rifles and 170,000 cartridges belonging to the Greeks.

Autonomy Not Wanted.

Generals Maximo Gomez, Arranguren, Arango and the late Adolpho Castillo, all opposing the acceptance of anything short of independence for Cuba, assert that autonomy would not be worth the paper it is written on.

AN INFUSION OF NEW LIFE

Marks Trade Conditions on Account of Colder Weather.

INCREASE IN IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTION.

Railroad Earnings Show Small Gains. Slight Re-action in Cotton Noted. Movement of Grain Continues Heavy. Southern States in the Increase.

Bradstreets trade review says: One of the most significant features of the business situation is found in the co-u tinued heavy weekly totals of the bank clearings, that for the six days ending Nov. 11 amounting to $1,347,000,000, an increase of 10 per cent. over the preceding week and 13 per cent. compared with the second week of November, 1896, when business began to revive sharply in speculative lines.

Railroad gross earnings shows smaller gains as comparisons begin to made with more nearly normal conditions one year ago. Total October earnings of 117 companies operating 100,000 miles of road, aggregate $55,464,339, a gain of $5,000,000 over September and 9 per cent. over October a year ago. This gain compares with gains of 14 per cent. in September and 12.5 per cent. in August over corresponding periods in 1896. The Pacific Southwestern and Central Western roads made the best showing.

Other favorable features are the continued firmness and activity in wool, iron and steel. The heavy output of iron and moderate reduction of stocks last week suggests the improbability of the advance in prices of iron and steel next, which so many have hoped for.

The slight reaction in the price of cotton, in view of the extreme depression to which that staple had been subjected, attracts attention as the possible beginning of the end of the prolonged decline. Already there is an improvement in the price of and demand for cotton yarns.

The unfavorable influences in price movements this week are declines for cottons and print cloths, the latter touching the lowest price on the record. Wheat, lard and lead are also heavier, and wire nails have been shaded. There is a long list of staples for wh[illegible] prices are unchanged. The mor[illegible]tant advances are confined [illegible] oats, hops and t[illegible].

Colder weather in the central west and northwest has stimulated demand for winter goods, particularly clothing.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal this week amount to 5,445,542 bushels compared with 5,590,000 bushels last week, 4,664,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 3,325,000 bushels two years ago, 2,909,000 bushels three years ago and as contrasted with 2,645,000 bushels in the like week of 1893.

Exports of Indian corn this week amount to 2,651,546 bushels against 2,199,000 bushels last week, 3,782,000 bushels in the week a year ago.

There is an increase in the number of failures, the total throughout the United States this week being 273, compared with 223 last week, 258 in the week one year ago, 279 two years ago, 280 three years ago and 270 in the second week of November, 1893.

The large proportion of this week's increase over last week's is in New England and Southern states.

THIRTY KILLED.

A Russian Wedding Party Struck by a Locomotive.

A terrible accident has occurred near Bielostok, Russian Poland, resulting in the death of thirty persons. A wedding party was returning from the church to the home of the bride. All were in one wagon, a huge vehicle drawn by eight horses. The road along which they rode crosses the railroad tracks on the level, and the driver, either through carelessness or ignorance of the train schedule, pushed his swiftly moving horses upon the crossing just as the express was coming in. The locomotive struck the vehicle squarely, killing many members of the party outright and maiming others so that they soon expired. Not a member of the party escaped.

ALL IN BLAST.

First Time in Three Years Such Has Been the Case.

For the first time in over three years every blast furnace in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, is in operation. In addition to this, more furnaces are in operation here than ever before for the past summer; four new plants completed and placed in active work. There are thirty iron furnaces in this county now making from two to three blasts every twenty-four hours. The daily output of smelted iron is approximately 10,000 tons.

It is estimated that there are 1,300,000 Irish people in Australia.

THE PRIDE OF ALABAMA.

Great Educational Work Still in its Infancy.

GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

At Montevallo, Where 330 of Alabama's Fair Daughters Are Receiving a Practical Education.

A. S. C., in Age-Herald.

Montevallo, Nov. 13, 1897.

Alabama's most interesting educational institution, of which in the course of time the people of Alabama will be most proud, is the Girls' Industrial school at Montevallo.

Note the name! It is not "The Young Ladies' Finishing Academy of Montevallo." No, indeed! The institution is exactly what its name implies, for it is a hive of industry from which will emerge no graduates with a smattering of music, fine arts and the 'ologies and a lofty contempt for honest work, but carefully trained women equally at home in the drawing-room and the kitchen, the counting-house and the office.

This school owes its legislative birth to Senator Sol D. Bloch, of Camden, its actual existence to Capt. H. C. Reynolds, of Montevallo, its president.

The object and aims of the school are described as follows in the act of the legislature which created it in 1892:

"The board of trustees shall possess all the power necessary and proper for the accomplishment of the trust reposed in them, viz:

"The establishment and maintenance of a first-class industrial school for the education of white girls in the state of Alabama in industrial and scientific branches, at which said girls may acquire a thorough knowledge of kindergarten instruction and music, also a knowledge of telegraphy, stenography, photography, phonography, typewriting, printing, bookkeeping, indoor carpentry, electrical construction, clay modeling, architectural and mechanical drawing, sewing, dressmaking, millinery, cooking, laundering, house, sign and fresco painting, home nursing, and such other practical industries as from time to time [illegible] may be suggested by experience tend to promote the general object of said Girls' Industrial School, to-wit—fitting and preparing girls for the practical industries of the age."

To the trustees was left the selection of the best location for the new institution, and their choice fell upon Montevallo, partly because of its proximity to the geographical center of the state, but mainly on account of the exertions made by Capt. H. C. Reynolds on behalf of the town. So recently as Jan. 1, 1896, their choice was announced. Yet I heard from S. B Gibson, secretary, that 330 pupils were enrolled. That determined me to see the school, which I did on last Friday.

Montevallo means a hill in a valley. And the place is aptly named, for just at the edge of the coal belt in Shelby county is a valley some four square miles in area, in the middle of which stands a plateau with gently sloping sides. On the southern slope nestles the little town, on the level plateau stands the buildings of the Girls' Industrial school, surrounded by twenty five acres of sward and woodland, donated by the town to the institution.

Like everything else in this world those buildings have a history. The brick edifice which formed the nucleus was built by the father of Gen. Shelby shortly before the war, and by him presented to Shelby county for high school purposes. It was only 70x50 feet, with a court in the center, when Capt. Reynolds was appointed president of the new school in 1896, and in it the real work of the school commenced. Since then President Reynolds has increased its frontage to 160 feet, and made it a solid building, with two wings in the rear connected with it by covered galleries.

The other large building is entirely new, and is used for dormitory and dining room purposes. It has three stories and a basement, and is constructed of pressed brick and stone. Although complete in itself, it is but a part of the left wing of the magnificent structure which has been planned as the college building, and which will be built as funds will permit.

In such a short article it is impossible to enter into a full detailed description of the buildings, suffice it to say that they are heated by steam plentifully supplied with pure water, and are hygienically perfect. Small, isolated cottages are scattered about the grounds to accommodate music pupils and save the nerves of those not going through the delights of one, two, three, four—one, two, three, four.

Any school may have buildings, not every one has such perfect system as the one in question. A separate class-room is provided for each course of study, but all must be in attendance at 8 15 a. m., in the chapel, which is in the centre of the class-rooms, and seats the whole number of pupils. After religious exercises, the pupils march off to their several class rooms, and therein lies the secret of the system.

Instead of a class remaining in a room, bored to death by their unvarying environment and visited by the various teachers of the several branches, each class room is devoted to one branch, and the pupils go from room to room to be taught. They select their own branches and then are assigned their hours for visiting the different teachers.

Each lesson lasts from half an hour to an hour, and at the close of each the school bell summons all to the chapel, where they take their seats and are checked off by sixteen monitors. This is done for two reasons, to see that none play truant, and to avoid confusion. Their pretty noses counted, off they march again to the next class-rooms on their itinerancy. Not only does this system prevent confusion, but this minute interlude and the scamper from class-room to chapel and away again is healthful for the girls.

In my limited space I cannot describe in extenso the work of the teachers. I would that I could. President Reynolds has entrusted the management of the educational work to Mrs. Mary C. Babb, the lady principal, and the uniform excellence in all departments speaks volumes for her fitness for the position. She has selected a most able corps of assistants. I spent the whole day going from one class room to another, and in none found the antiquated system of teaching children by note like a lot of parots. What the pupils at Montevallo are taught they will remember, for they are trained to think, not to repeat.

All the young ladies are receiving in the so-called "polite" branches instruction which will fit them for the best society, but many of them are also taking practical lessons in stenography, typewriting, dress making and cooking, which will make them useful members of the social system if necessary. Many of them make their own dresses, and also earn money by doing work for others. The fair-faced students of national cookery are not taught from books, but make real dishes in real pots and pans on a real stove, and they enjoy their lessons. I ate a "pop over" and drank a cup of chocolate of their making, and both were delicious.

The faculty is composed of H. C. Reynolds, president, Mrs. Mary C. Babb, lady principal, R. J. H. Simmons, mathematics, Miss Mary G Stallworth, junior mathematics, Miss Annie Kennedy, English and history, Miss S. Fitts, junior English and history, Miss Bettie Haley, pedagogy, Miss Louisa Alston, geology and physiology. Miss Susie Fox, stenography, S. B. Gibson, typewriting, Mrs. Florence Hudson, telegraphy, Miss Ella McCombs, art. Mrs G Nelson, dressmaking and needle work, Miss Leo Sanders, assistant dress making and needle work, Miss Nellie Evans, scientific cooking, Miss Addie Lee, directress in music, Miss Laura Dale, piano and guitar, Miss Sallie Crumpton, voice culture, Miss Edna Bush, piano, Mrs. S. E. Cothran, piano and voice. Dr. Edgar Givhan is the college physician.

With all this the cost to each pupil for the term of eight months for tuition, board, fuel, lights, attendance, laundry, free use of all text books and medical attention is but $88. This is solely due to the management and devotion of Lresident Reynolds, and when I learned the astounding fact, I honored him.

I must close, although I could fill a page. I wish that all the Age-Herald readers could see the work accomplished by President Reynolds, added by the board of trustees in the past eighteen months. I wish they could see the 330 happy, healthy, bright-faced girls, all pretty as becomes Alabama girls, and all as genuine ladies as ever made the ground bless them for stepping on it.

The Girls' Industrial school of Alabama is in its infancy, but it is a lusty childhood, and I for one hope that it may not be long before public spirit has aided it to its full projected growth. If the state will appropriate enough money the buildings can be completed, and then one thousand of the future moulders of men's minds and characters will every year be sent into the world to make it better.

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ALABAMA NEWS ITEMS.

Happenings of a Week Throughout Our Commonwealth.

Teachers' Fund Sent Out.

State Treasurer Ellis Friday sent out the money due the public school teachers for the fourth quarter ending September 30. The amount due the teachers was $109,957.62. This amount is considerably smaller than previous quarters.

Cotton Warehouse Burned.

Wednesday fire broke out in the cotton warehouse of A. G. Henry & Co. at Guntersville. The warehouse and 100 bales of cotton were consumed. Loss $25,000; no insurance. Origin of the fire supposed to be incendiary.

Will Apply for a Charter.

The coal miners are organizing local assemblies at the various collieries in the state, and will in a short time have enough assemblies to apply to President Ratchford, of the United Mine Workers of North America, for a charter as a district.

Inviting Them South.

The chamber of commerce of Huntsville is in correspondence with the mercantile clearing house of Boston with the view of having representatives of New England cotton mills come to Huntsville and see the advantages offered by the city os a cotton manufacturing center. Very favorable replies have been received.

Opening New Colonies.

A new colony that has sprung up practically of its own accord at McDonalds, Morgan county, but bids fair to excite some interest before long. Here a number of sturdy Germans have settled and will plant vineyards. Bismarck, another proposed German colony near Decatur, has been lagging on account of quarantines, but bids fair to reawaken. The town has been laid out and it is ready for settlers.

Union Labor League Organized.

A Union Labor League was organized in Birmingham last Friday, the intent of which is to strengthen and aid union labor. The following officers were elected: R. L. Russell, president; W. S. Lopez, vice-president; W. G. Turner, secretary; J. H. F. Moseley, treasurer. Only union men are elegible to be elected to fill the offices, but the membership is open to all persons in sympathy with the movement.

Birmingham as a Cotton Market.

The vast strides that Birmingham has made in the past few years as a cotton market has placed her fifth in receipts among the interior cities of the south—Memphis, Atlanta, Augusta and Montgomery alone receiving more. From 8,000 bales a few years ago, the receipts will this year reach 110,000. This change has been wrought by the cotton buyers who have located in Birmingham and created a market for the fleecy staple.

Reward Offered for Murderer.

About two weeks ago Mr. Wade Childree, one of the best citizens of Covington, a gentleman of high character and respected of all the good people, was assassinated about 8 p. m. while sitting in his own room and reading the Bible. He is not supposed to have had an enemy and no cause can be assigned for his murder. The solicitor has made diligent efforts to ascertain the assassin and failed. The family have offered a reward of $250 and the governor ordered a like reward to be paid by the state for the arrest and conviction of the assassin.

Live Times in Danville.

The people of Danville and vicinity are in earnest over their new railroad project. There will be an immense gathering ten miles from Danville Saturday. They will have an old-fashioned picnic and barbecue. Speakers will be imported from abroad to address the assembled multitude.

There will also be done some practical railroad building. They will have miners and prospectors and iron workers there. The miners will dig the coal and iron out of the ground, and the iron workers will smelt the ore in the presence of the assembled people.

M. & O. Surveying a Line to Birmingham.

The Mobile and Ohio railroad is now seeking an entrance into Birmingham. For several weeks a large corps of engineers have been at work surveying the route. They are now at work between Blocton and Bessemer. The country in that vicinity is the very wildest imaginable and considerable time will be necessarily consumed in selecting the route and surveying small parts of it. The road is expected to use the line of the Birmingham, Bessemer and Powderly road as an entrance into Birmingham.

Has Fired His Last Engine.

E. P. Bishop, engineer on the first section of freight train No. 25, on the Louisville and Nashville railroad, shot and killed Wiley Clay, his negro fireman, Thursday night, near Oxmoor, while the train was in motion. The negro was told to fire the engine, but insolently refused to leave his seat. Clay was again told to stir up the fire, and it is said that he sulkingly got off his seat and drawing his pistol, fired one shot at Engineer Bishop, and then attacked him with a knife, severely lacerating his left breast. Engineer Bishop struggled with the negro and reaching for his gun he fired one shot, striking the negro in the breast, killing him instantly.

Some Sample Crops of Cotton.

The cotton crop in the section around Uniontown continues to be wonderful. Mr. Sid Knight claims that he will make 350 bales, an average on one plantation of eighteen bales to the mule. On last Friday from four and a half acres that had been picked over once he gathered 8,500 pounds of seed cotton. Mr. W. B. McKnight reports that he will make thirty-three bales with two mules. Mr. W. H. Munford, the most successful farmer in this section, besides making a fine crop of everything, including a big crop of hogs, will make 450 bales of cotton. He says he has one man who will make twenty bales with one mule. He says he has numbers of them who will make from fifteen to eighteen bales to the mule.

Canada's Representative in Birmingham.

Canada has sent a representative to the Birmingham district to investigate the report that iron was being extensively made in this district by convict labor. Her majesty's government has a very rigid law against anything entering its domains which has been manufactured by the aid of convict labor.

Alabama pig iron has in the past year been gaining quite a foothold among the manufacturers of her majesty's dominion. The fact that convict labor is employed in some of the coal mines of the state has become known across the border, and Mr. Atkinson was sent here to investigate and make a report.

This is entirely a new phase of the convict question in Alabama.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A Bimetallic club was organized in Bessemer last week.

L. Seligman, of Montgomery, wholesale paper dealer, has made an assignment.

Revenue officers are getting in their work in Randolph county. Three stills have been raided within the past week.

John T. Blakemore has leased several mines of clay and iron in Cherokee county, and will shortly begin to operate them.

A clean bill of health was issued by the Mantgomery board of health Friday, and the opinion prevails that the yellow fever microbes are all dead.

Bernard Long, dry goods, was closed by the sheriff, at Selma, Thursday. The failure is attributable to dull business incident to the yellow fever scare.

Examiner Foster has made a report on the sheriff's office in Cherokee county. He finds the present sheriff's accounts correct and but little complaint to make.

John K. Collins, foreman of the Louisville and Nashville switching crew at Montgomery, was run over and killed last week while attempting to make a coupling.

The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama will convene in Montgomery on the first Tuesday in December next, the 7th inst. The Grand Chapter meets on Monday, the 6th.

Sam Fields, colored, convicted of murder and sentenced to hang at Abbeville December 3, has had a respite granted to December 10, when he will hang with James Glover, convicted of murder at Columbia recently and sentenced to hang December 10.

R. E. McLain died at the Hillman hospital in Birmingham from injuries received about six weeks ago. The deceased was employed as flagman on the Southern railroad, and was hurt in the Woodlawn yards, having his left arm broken and left leg crushed.

Thomas M. Wadsworth was killed near Dismal recently while repairing the floor of a neighbor's house. He made a misstep and fell through between the sleepers, a distance of about six feet, to the bottom of a cellar, falling on his head, and he only lived a few hours.

Election Riot in Colombia.

The crew of the steamship Holstein, which has arrived at New York from Santa Martha, Colombia, reported having heard a rumor that forty men had been killed at Bogota, the capital of the Colombian republic. They were mainly policemen, and the election riot in which they fell occurred on Nov. 1. A presidential election is to take place on Dec. 5.

James A. Beard, one of the pioneers of Floyd county and North Georgia, died Thursday.

BILL ARP'S WEEKLY LETTER.

PHILOSOPHER ON A LECTURING TOUR IN NORTH CAROLINA.

LIVELY RIDE ON A CIRCUS TRAIN.

After Undergoing Many Hardships He Is Landed Among His Friends and Is Royally Welcomed.

"Hard, hard, indeed, is the contest for freedom and the struggle for liberty." "There is no rest for the wicked." This world is all a fleeting show, and Jordan is a hard road to travel, I believe! There are other ejaculations I might utter, for of late there has been trouble on the old man's mind. You see, I was invited over here to talk to these people in a humorous and philosophic way, and my wife said as the larder was getting low and the girls needed some more winter clothes, and the tax man was bobbing around and the grandchildren would be expecting something for Christmas, she thought I had better go. So she packed my valise with my best clothes, and fortified me with a little drug store of camphorated oil and flannel and liver medicine and paregoric and cough drops and quinine and headache powders, and so forth and so on. We kissed goodby all round and I departed feeling like I was being driven off from home by sad necessity. I took the Seaboard Air Line at Atlanta bound for Charlotte, via Monroe, but our engine broke down at Greensboro about dark and this delayed us three long, dreary hours, and when we reached Monroe it was way after midnight and the Charlotte train had gone. There were three nice ladies aboard and several gentlemen, who were greatly disappointed, but the conductor was kind and sympathetic and said there was a circus train near by that was going to Charlotte right away and if we didn't mind riding thirty miles in a cab he would get us the privilege. The ladies, said yes, and we did, too, and climed in. It was as dark as Erebus. We felt our way to find seats, but there was nothing but some long tool boxes whose lids were hard and cold. There was no fire and the wind blew through a broken glass on the back of my head. The ladies chatted away merrily, for they were going home, but I wasn't and I couldn't chat to save my life, for I was very tired and thought of that good soft bed at home. By and by the conductor came in with a lantern and took up our tickets and left us in the dark again. About that time the animals got restless and the lion gave an unearthly howl. You see this was a menagerie train.

"The animals went in two by two,
The elephant and the kangaroo,"

and every time the cars careened about or swung round a curve we could hear some devilish noise ahead of us. "Oh, mercy," said the youngest girl, "suppose they break out!" "They will eat the tenderest and sweetest first," said I. "Lions always do." I pulled my cloak up over the back of my head and ruminated. For two long hours we jogged along, for the train was running slow to suit the wild beasts and we were of no consequence. It was near 3 o'clock when we got to the suburbs of Charlotte and stopped. Nobody was looking for us—nobody rushed forward to meet us, no porter nor hackman—no omnibus or street cars, not even a wagon or an ox cart or a darky. The moon had hid herself to keep from seeing our misery, but we seized our grips and wraps and satchels and made a march for the electric lights. My companions soon separated from me and I marched in single file with my big valise full of clothes and the drug store, and struggled for three quarters of a mile up the long and hard sidewalk. I am not used to arc lights, and the flickering shadow of every tree and telegraph pole looked like a man in ambush who was fixing to hold me up. I had forgotten where the hotels were, and unconsciously passed them, for the doors were all shut, and there was no sign. By and by I met a policeman and he conducted me back to the hotel, and I was as thankful as I was tired and humble. My pitiful tone of voice secured me kind attention and a bed. When a man is far away from home, his warmest welcome is an inn. But I did not rest well.

A 10 o'clock supper, on fried sausage and scrambled eggs and stale oysters, disturbed my corporosity and I dreamed that the tiger got loose and came prowling and howling around the car and somehow I got a hatchet out of the tool box and lifted the young lady through the port hole upon the roof, and volunteered to defend her with my life and my sacred honor. The tiger made desperate leaps to get up there, but every time he got a paw on the eave, I cut it off and let him fall back again. I don't know what became of the other ladies, but think that other wild beasts got in and eat them up. The men had all fled prematurely, but I saved the pretty girl, the sweetest and tenderest, before I woke up. Who wouldn't, in a dream? What curious things are dreams, anyhow! The next trouble on the old man's mind came over him at Salisbury, where I was billed to lecture that night. On my arrival I found that august body, the Presbyterian synod in session. Preachers and elders innumerable were scattered among the good people all over town. They were holding night sessions, and wouldn't have adjourned for McKinley or Grover Cleveland or the yellow fever or a fire. But this was not all, the Episcopal bishop was to lecture on the Holy Land, where he had been recently, and I knew that I would fall between and get smothered. Mr. Marsh seemed to feel very bad, and apologized by saying that when he booked me he did not know of these meetings. "Well," said I, "the saints will all go to these meetings, but you have sinners in this town." He admitted that there were some. And so I went ahead and lectured, and was surprised to see before me a select and cultured audience, select, and I hope elect according to Presbyterian theology.

So all is well that ends well. The next evening found me at the nice little town of Marion, in western North Carolina, away up in the land of the sky. They are good people there, I know, for they filled the court house that night and gave me an ovation. The old soldiers are thick in that region, and they came out to hear me, and some of us got together and talked of old Bob Lee and Joe Johnston and Generals Early and Render and Whiting and Hoke and Ransom and Pettigrew and Clingman and others. Their eyes watered and their hearts burned within them, and they got closer and closer together. What a people these tar-heels are—these descendants of the Scotch! About every other name is Scotch, a McLane or McFall or McLaurin or McArthur or McSomethingelse, and then there are Alexanders everywhere and Caldwells and Carlyles. After the lecture we had a musicale at the hotel by the gifted Gruber family, who keep the hotel, Mr. Gruber and Mrs. Gruber and their seven children. I have heard much music during my long life, but I never heard any better anywhere. How the old man's fingers did dance upon the strings; how sweetly did the still handsome matron sing the "Last Rose of Summer" and other old time songs of Scotland! What delightful chords came from the piano under the touch of the young ladies and the sweet little black-eyed girl of only ten summers! And when they played "Home, Sweet Home," with variations, I could hardly restrain my tears. I felt like we all ought to hold a seance if we could with John Howard Payne and tell him how the world loved him for his song. I had sweet dreams that night. I am still on the grand rounds talking to the unpretending people of this grand old state. It seems to have got out, however, that I had joined John Robinson's circus and gone off with it. Some of these mischievous drummers told that. Yours on the wing.—BILL ARP in Atlanta Constitution.

State Normal College.

In spite of the scare from pestilence and quarantine, the State Normal College at Troy went on the even tenor of its way with a good attendance, and as good work as the state ever had done for it by any institution.

Troy enjoys the distinction of being 596 feet above sea level, and yellow fever has never come within fifty miles of it, and it is not believed by those well informed that the disease can spread at such altitude, if health measures are carefully observed.

Out of the several thousands of students in the State Normal College there in the ten years past, only two deaths have occurred at the college, and these from pneumonia and measles.

The college never had brighter prospects, and many new students are expected at the new term to open December 7. President Eldredge has calls for trained teachers from every direction, and the demand is above the supply. As school officers learn the value of teacher training they will insist more and more upon it. The State Normal College at Troy delights to serve school officers, schools and teachers.

Says the Iowa Is the Best.

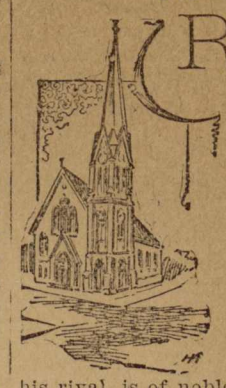
Commodore Dewey, president of the naval trial board, has returned to Washington from the sea trial of the Iowa, which he declares is the best ship of her class in the world.

The convention of the striking coal miners of the Northern Illinois field, at a late hour Friday night, reached a secret agreement, which will be made known in a few days to the various local organizations interested. It is believed it has taken steps looking to the securing of a compromise.

Apples are growing in great abundance in New Zealand, and that country promises to become a formidable competitor in European markets to American fruits, as the apples can be shipped profitably.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Repentance.



REPENTANCE begins at the cross.

Idleness is danger seed.

Wisdom has a short tongue.

Unbelief is Satan's counsel chamber.

Sinful pleasures have a sweetened sting.

He who honors his rival, is of noble type.

Love has a short life, unless given away.

It is doubtful honor to be fondled by curs.

Good humor makes youth bloom in old age.

Be what you want others to think you are.

He that does nothing makes but one mistake.

Do not slight the man because he has done wrong.

Build higher, foolish man, earth is too low for safety.

Opposition is the mill that fans the chaff out of us.

If the heart is converted, the purse will be in reach.

Scolding a child is like currying a colt with a pitchfork.

Defeat in the right is better than victory in the wrong.

He that cannot control himself has a bad master already.

The best quality of manhood blossoms in the nursery.

When honor talks louder than habit you have the right way-bill.

Bury your troubles and plant blooming evergreens on the grave.

The Great Master never rocks his little children in downy cradles.

Putting our best foot foremost is pushing a half counterfeit into circulation.

Many a sore-eyed man sets up for an eye doctor, and does a thriving business at it.

An empty purse and a miser's heart are two of the hardest things in the world to fill.

Cover an ass with a lion's skin, and he will soon manage to poke his ears out somehow.

If some one would find a remedy for the bad memories of debtors, he could make a fortune.

It is hard to believe that sin gilded with gold is the same hideous thing that it is in common clay.

The man who blames himself for the worst things that happen to him will put the blame at the right door.

The best way to wait for the coming of the Lord is to be found trying to make the world what he will make it when he comes.

That the heart has longings which the world cannot satisfy, is one evidence that man is greater than the world in which he lives.

The Answer of Prayer.

The answer of prayer stands knocking at the door of the prayer meeting in Acts 12: 13. That was too unexpected an occurrence for the assembly of believers. They avowed that the maid bearing the information was either crazy or had seen a ghost. How surprised faithful Christians often are if a prayer is really heard. Answers to prayer are recounted with unending exclamation marks, whereas answer of true prayer ought to be considered the most natural experience in God's universe. Much praying is a mere performance. A farmer coming to town read at a physician's door, "Please pull the bell." He pulled until a head was poked out of the window inquiring, "Well?" "Oh, I've read the sign and thought it no more than polite to pull," was his response. The only response that could perhaps be given by many who feel themselves called upon in the Bible to pray. They do not read that the young Pharisee transacted many a prayer before heaven said of him, "Behold, he prayeth." Their arrows shot heavenward have plenty of feather but no point. They do not spread the fleece, like Gideon, for the dew to descend upon.—F. W. C. Meyer.

The Likeness of Christ.

It is not merely by watching the life of Christ as illustrated by His actions, or His principles set forth by His words, that we gain likeness to Him. There is a strange power in personality to affect other natures. The child grows to be like one whom he constantly watches. He may or may not make a conscious effort for that likeness, but the likeness comes. People of larger growth, maturer, more independent development, are often strangely drawn by constant contact into likeness to one another, without so much as a thought of the process. John says: "We shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." What we need here is to see Christ—see Him, not merely as He was, but as He is, and we shall find the likeness taking hold upon us and fashioning us into itself.

Oldest German Newspaper.

The Magdeburg Gazette, probably the oldest newspaper in Germany, last month celebrated its 250th anniversary. It is still conducted by representatives of the Faber family, which founded it in 1647, just at the close of the Thirty Years' War. The present heads of the venerable journalistic dynasty are the two brothers, Robert and Alexander Faber, perpetuating a line almost a century and a half older than that which rules over the London Times, the greatest if not the oldest of newspapers. Magdeburg took on the decorations of holiday in honor of its venerable Gazette, which well deserved them.

Atchison ball players are becoming stuck up; they call practice "rehearsing."

Three Good Things.

Three good things about Tetterine, besides the one great, good fact that it cures, are that it is painless, harmless and has no bad odor. It is the only sure cure for Tetter, Ringworm, Eczema. Cures them so they stay cured. No matter how long you have had them, 50 cents gets a box at druggists, or by mail for 50 cents in cash or stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure to get the genuine. It is taken internally, and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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Joseph de L'Etoille, of Ottawa, Canada, says that his airship will soon be ready to make a trip to the Klondike.

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THE FARM AND GARDEN.

TEMS OF INTEREST ON AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Chopped Clover For Hens---Late Sown Winter Crain---Crop Reporting---Moulting---Horse Dictionary, Etc., Etc.

CHOPPED CLOVER FOR HENS.

In the winter season, grass and clover in the fields are frosted and innutritious. Fowls eat a great deal of vegetable food during the summer, and when it becomes of little value they suffer. This is their moulting season. Lime and nitrogen are needed to replace their feathers. Second-growth clover cut in small pieces and fed with grain will supply this need, and put the fowls again in condition to resume laying.

LATE-SOWN WINTER GRAIN.

It is not the size of fall growth made, but its character, that decides whether it can stand winter freezing and thawing. A late-sown small growth, if vigorous, will come out all right. In fact, for some reasons the small top is best, as it does not evaporate so much. Nothing can prevent the soil freezing on the surface lower than the grain roots reach in their fall growth. If there is a great amount of leaf on winter grain it is more easily killed to the root than where the growth is small.

CROP REPORTING.

Among farmer crop reporters the tendency to overestimate conditions and yields seems to be quite general. Usually the more enterprising and progressive farmers engage in this work, men who prefer to look upon the bright side of things, and an optimistic view of the situation results. Local pride sometimes sways the judgment of the reporter. Extraordinary yields are heralded far and wide, while in case of poor yields mum's the word, and this has its influence upon the mind that guides the pen of the harvest reporter. Then there is the self-interested fellow who is laboring to boom some particular section of country. His motives are selfish, if anything, and the farm press should unite in squelching him. We believe in intelligent reporting, but in studying the situation we are brought face to face with this tendency to overestimate. Many farm reporters are careful and accurate; some, however, should study situations a little more thoroughly before jumping at conclusions.—The Epitomist.

MOULTING.

Young poultry usually moult twice during the first twelve months, therefore young thoroughbred stock should not be condemned until after the second moult for feathering or off-colored feathers. The first feathers are rarely perfect. The newly hatched Barred Plymouth Rock does not show the barring on the down, but is dark all over except a small light spot on the top of the head. Even the first large feathers, while they may convey an idea of what the matured bird will look like, they will show many imperfections. Even the apparently matured cockerel that has taken a prize at the show may in the next season's moult be unfit for further showing, and vice versa. Some speciments seem to lose their feathers in a few days, while others drag along all through the moult. This is largely due to a greater or less temperature of the fowl's body.

The hearty-eating, warm-blooded bird is the first one to moult.

Birds intended for exhibition can be helped, after they are well along in the moult, by pulling out all feathers that come easy—without drawing blood—especially the wing and tail feathers. —Agricultural Epitomist.

HORSE DICTIONARY.

A white spot in the forehead is a star.

A white face from eye to eye is a bald face.

A white stripe in the face is a blaze.

A stripe between the nostrils is a snip.

A white eye is a glass eye.

A horse has pasterns, not ankles, and there is no such joint as a hind knee or fore shoulder.

White below the pastern joint is a white pastern. Above the pastern, a white leg.

White around the top of the hoof is a white coronet.

A star, blaze or bald face can't be anywhere except on the face.

A snip can't be anywhere except on the nose.

Amble, a gait like pacing, but slower, in which the two legs on the same side are moved together.

Appel, the gentle tug on the rein given by the horse at each step.

Croup, that part of the horse back of the saddle.

Bore, to bear on the bit.

Bucking, leaping vertically into the air with all four feet, and coming together on the ground.

Elbow, joint of foreleg next above knee lying next to horse's side.

Forearm, that part of the leg between the elbow and knee.

Forge, to strike the toe of the forefoot with the toe of the hind one; very often the result of bad shoeing.

Hand, one-third of a foot—four inches.—Western Rural.

ORCHARD CULTIVATION.

Good tillage increases the available food supply of the soil; it also conserves its moisture.

Trees should be made to send their roots deep into the soil, in order to fortify against drought. This is done by draining the soil, and by plowing the orchard rather deep.

This deep plowing should begin the very year the trees are set, and it should be continued every spring until the habit of the tree is established.

Moisture is retained in the upper soil by very frequent but shallow tillage, by means of which the surface of the land becomes a mulch for the soil beneath.

Tillage should be begun just as soon as the ground is dry enough in spring.

This tillage should be repeated as often as once in ten days through growing season—from spring until July or August.

Tillage should not exist for the purpose of killing weeds.

Late cultivation may be injurious by inducing a late growth. At all events it can be of small utility when the tree begins to mature and rains become frequent. This season of respite gives the grower the opportunity of raising a green manure, and of adding fertility to his land at trifling expense and with no harm to his trees.

Fall plowing may be advisable for farm crops, but not for orchards.

Only cultivated crops should be allowed in orchards early in the season. Grain and hay should never be grown.

In general, level culture is best. The modern cultivators and harrows make such cultivation easy.

Trees, especially apples, are often trained too high, because of difficulty of working close; but modern tools permit the heads to be made low.

Harness with no projecting hames nor metal turrets should be used in bearing orchards. Those requiring no whiffletrees are also useful.

Potash is the chief fertilizer for fruit trees, particularly after bearing.

Potash may be had in wood ashes and muriate of potash. An annual application of potash should be made upon bearing orchards of the muriate from 500 to 700 pounds to the acre.

Barn manures can be used with good results, particularly on old orchards.

Cultivation may be stopped late in season, and a crop then be sown upon the land. This crop may serve as a green manure.—L. H. Bailey, in Orchard Bulletin.

THE PROFITABLE HOG.

There has always been a profit in feeding hogs for the fall market. And until cholera begins to show itself in some large herds, there was little risk in breeding and fattening hogs on almost any farm where corn was plenty. But since only high-bred stock is considered worth keeping for profit, the breeding and fattening of hogs requires as much care and has a greater risk than any other stock on the farm. This is no doubt due to the constant in-breeding among the breeds that put on fat early and are ready to market at 250 to 300 pounds in nine months.

The rapid development due to high feeding on rich food diminishes the vital power of the animal, and the early fattening before the bones are fully formed weakens the frame so that the nine months pig has become a helpless mass of fat with little power to take any exercise, which is always necessary to vigorous animal life.

This difficulty is exaggerated by breeding from sows that are not themselves fully developed and cannot therefore give much vitality to their offspring. The mother should be perfected in age, in size and constitution before she can give a vigorous life to her offspring.

Swine breeders sometimes overlook this important fact, because the pigs are to be sold for market often before they are a year old, and hence their short life is not sufficiently taken into consideration.

The Poland China, the Chester Whites and the Berkshires seem to be the favorites among feeders; the first two breeds named, perhaps, have been pushed too far in the tendency to take on fat and often become helpless before they are grown.

The Berkshires do not mature so early, and are larger and stronger framed; and they have the advantage of more lean meat, which is becoming more in demand. A cross between mature sows of Berkshire and a compact male of Poland China or Chester, would be perhaps a good cross for vigoroug hogs and the production of pork with a desirable quantity of lean meat. The Jersey Red is another breed which makes good mothers with large litters and good milkers. These should not be bred until they are more than a year old and then crops between them and the Chester White or Polands have been found to produce good-sized, vigorous pigs which mature early. In-breeding should be carefully avoided in the pure breeds and yet the male in any herd should be pure bred, but not related closely to any cross bred sows in the herd, when he is used. These cross-bred Jersey Reds sometimes prove very profitable breeders, and often raise fine litters of pigs until they are six or seven years old. An old sow should be kept as long as she will raise fine pigs.

A New "Ad" Scheme.

Advertising threatens to break out in a new place. Many barber shops in this city have recently received from a corporation, officered with men of distinguished surnames, a circular proposing an ingenious enterprise. The company writes to obtain the privilege of posting advertisements on the walls and ceilings of barber shops at such points as shall come within the range of vision of persons that submit themselves to the hands of the barber and his assistants. It is the hope of the company that the barbers will yield up their wall space in return for so many shares of stock per chair in the company, and the glittering hope is held out that when the business is once well established the stock at a par value of $10 will pay dividends of 50 per cent. annually. It is announced that the business is already established in 3,000 barber shops in Philadelphia.—New York Sun.

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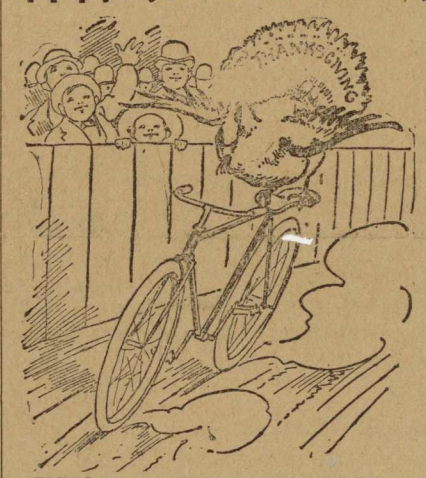

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Am. N. U. No. 47. 1897.

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Nervous Depression of Women.

A woman will often without knowing it commit slow suicide for her family. She will think, toil and worry for her children. Too often they do not appreciate it. Her tired nerves and weary body at last reach a stage when she is almost powerless for any kind of mental or physical work, and she is depressed and worried over the consciousness that she is unable to perform her accustomed duties. Her organs of digestion are disordered and although there is a constant disposition to rest, wakefulness and loss of power to sleep are serious indications of nervous depression. What she needs is a course of **Dr. Simmons Squaw Vine Wine** to restore a healthy functional activity and give tone and vitality to her nervous system. At the same time the stomach, liver and kidneys should be stimulated with **Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.**

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Thursday. Nov. 25, 1897

Don't think that every sad eyed woman you meet has loved and lost. Perhaps she loved and got him.

Week before last we clipped three items from the Evergreen Courant, intending to give them the proper credit, but the paper got misplaced. Bro. Salter, we will try and be more careful in the future.

We received last week a copy of the Tacoma (Wash.) Daily Ledger, a 7 column, 16 page paper editor by C. M. Shultz. It is filled with interesting reading and gives all the information one can desire about Klondike.

Some time ago the name of Representalive Howard, of Fort Payne, was prominently mentioned by the leading populists as a suitable man for the next governor of Alabama. Mr. Howard has declined, so it is said by Republicans, and Cougressman W. F. Aldrich is said to be the man.

Saturday afternoon a permit was granted Jaeger & Stockmar for the Phil Schillinger Brewing Company to expend seven thousand dollars in improving their plant on Avenue E and Twenty-second street.

The same parties were granted a permit to erect a two-story brick bottling works for the Alabama Brewing Company at a cost of ten thousand dollars. In addition to this a sum of two thousand dollars is to be expended in other buildings about the main plant. Something over one hundred thousand dollars has already been expended on this plant.—Age-Herald.

It would be a good idea for the farmers to hold meetings in every locality at an early date and discuss fully the use of commercial fertilizers next year. And at these meetings it would be a still better idea to resolve to try farming another year without the use of commercial fertilizers at all. We believe they would find it would pay them. Guano does not pay, and we believe the truth of the assertion can be demonstrated to every farmer if he will try farming just one year without it.—Evergreen Courant.

Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 22.—Mining circles are stirred up over the arrival of J. F. Allen from Kansas City, who is shipping a carload of specimens of ore from Tennessee, Georgia and North Carolina to Kansas City. Mr. Allen sad: "I am sent here by a syndicate to secure specimens of gold ore from this district. I will secure a carload, which will be shipped to Kansas City to the smelter, where it will be tested and an estimate be made."

When asked who formed the syndicate Mr. Allen said. "That I am not at liberty to say. I don't see why there should not be gold here. You have everything else in this district, and I would not be surprised at any time of hearing of diamonds and pearls being found. There is good prospect of gold being found in this section in abundance. Not another Klondike, you understand, but enough to pay the parties to take it out."

J. H. Eckels, the brains of the treasury department, has an article in the October Munsey on the financial condition of the country. His argument is first-class old-party doctrine, as he states the only real relief the people can get is by allowing the national bankers full swing in issuing their wildcat currency, thus entirely relieving the poor old government from the onerous duty of running its own monetary affairs. The noble patriots, both foreign and domestic, represented by Eckels, stand ready to sacrifice themselve to the utmost in carrying out the comptroller's ideas of finance. The article in question is wonderfully well written—so much so, in fact, that it must cause tears of joy to gurgle from the eyes of the faithful hidebound partisans of both old parties for both are owned by the same money ring. Mr. Eckels ingenuously states that the "greatest need in our country today is a sound currency issued by the national bankers of the United States." From their own standpoint Mr. Eckels' admirers are eminently satisfied that this is the truth, the whole truth, s'help 'em. Any old fairy tale, so long as it is against the interest of the working classes, is accepted as gospel truth by your fanatical old party idolator, and so long as the party prospers the people can go to blazes. —Reno (Nev) Plaindealer.

NOTICE.

To Confederate Soldiers and Widows

I have to day received warrants on the State Treasurer for all of those who made application before me this year as Confederate soldiers and widows of such, and the same are ready for distribution at this office. Please call, or send written order for same.

D. R. McMILLAN,
Judge of Probate.

Columbiana, Ala., Nov. 22, 1897.

BLOCTON ITEMS.

The editor has moved to McGraw Town.

Tuesday was pay day and all of the mines were idle.

Mr. J. B. Wadsworth left Monday for a short visit to Huntsville.

Mr. Thomas McCumber has been in town several days on business.

Married, in No. 2 town recently, D R Richard and Miss Mary Hillman.

B. M. Huey and wife spent last Sunday in Bessemer with relatives and friends.

Rev. George E. Boyd, the popular pastor of the Woodstock circuit, was in Blocton Monday last.

Pastor Whitten, of the Methodist church, preached the thanksgiving sermon at the Baptist church Thursday.

Attorney Logan, of Centreville, was among the audience at the M. E. Church Sunday night. He is a handsome man and a good lawyer.

Rev. Sutton Smithermau preached an excellent sermon last Suuday at the Third Baptist church. Subject, "Unbeliet."

Presiding Elder Dobbs spent last Monday with his good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Whitten. He is a popular preacher and good presiding elder.

The Blocton cemetery, near Mt. Carmel, looks better and is in a better condition than it ever has been. Our people have not forgotten the dead.

The mines are running more regular than they have for some time, and would run full time if the cars could be had. The company has plenty of orders.

Supt. P. B. Thomas, of Hargrove was circulating among his numerons friends here Monday. His face always wears a smile when in Blocton greeting his friends.

The music and singing at the Methodist church last Sunday night were exceptionally good. Professor Wallwork can play a cornet equal to the best. The solo by Prof. Verner was very good.

The church workers of Mt Carmel are collecting money to ceil the church and put in a stove. There will be preaching on the second Saturday and Sunday, instead of the first. G. W, Freeman, pastor.

Pastor Whitten preached twice last Sabbath on "The Battle of the Giants." At night he touched up the licensed liquor traffic pretty lively, and also showed the awful consequences of the drinking habit.

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Estate of Sarah E. Wells, Deceased.

To the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited, creditors of said estate:

The said estate having been reported insolvent by H. R. Wells, administrator thereof, the 13th day of December, 1897, has been appointed to hear and determine upon said report. You are, therefore, hereby given notice to be and appear at my office, at the Court House of said county, on said day, to contest the same, if you think proper.

Witness my hand, af office, this 8th day of November, 1897.

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Local.

Mr. Sam Large, of Calera, was in the city Sunday.

Mr. J. L. Walker, of Helena, was in town Tuesday.

Sheriff Vest, of Columbiana, was in the city Friday.

J. W. Brantley, of Brierfield, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Charles Dunham, of Helena, was in town Saturday.

Mr. A. M. Cross made a business visit to Pelham Friday.

Dr. Hargrove, of Maylene, attended church here Sunday.

Mr. W. E. Trucks, of Six Mile, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. J. E. West visited his mother at Columbiana this week.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Mr. Gene Fancher returned home from Coaling last Thursday.

Mr. Emmett Welsh, of Birmingham, was in the city Monday.

Mr. O. P. Head and wife, of near Six Mile, were in town Tuesday.

Young ladies, the editor is single, and is a candidate for matrimony.

Dr. Givhan's horses ran away again Saturday, but did no damage.

We are sorry that the Birmark boys don't know what a goo-goo is.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Mr. Henry Burke, of Ashby, the hustling coaling man, was in town Saturday.

Dr. Wilkinson and W. L. Nolen bagged a good many birds one day last week.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Mr. Smith, of Maylene, section foreman for the Southern, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. James Oakley and Mr. John Mulkey and wife, of Ashby, were in town Saturday.

Latham & Co. will sell you cloaks and jackets at 25 per cent. below wholesale price.

Messrs. Sam Curry, M. A. Owen and C. G. Smith, of Brierfield, were in town Saturday.

Mr. Harrison Splawn, who lives near Centreville, was in town Saturday, selling cotton.

Mr. E. A. Camp, of Bismark, day manager at Birmingham Junction, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Andy Langston and sister, of Six Mile, were in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. W. Benton, of Saginaw, was in town Tuesday and bought a big bill of goods.

Call for Window Glass at H. C. & W. B. Reynolds. A large supply at reasonable prices.

Capt. D. W. Shivers has been on the sick list for the past week. He has been having chills.

Messrs. James Lucas, Wm. Walker and Jabe Thompson, of Dogwood, were in the city Monday.

Miss Carrie Lum sang a beautiful solo—Holy City—at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

The Industrial school has representatives from fifty out of the sixty-six counties in the State.

Mr. W. C. Berger, an experienced jeweler, recently from Centreville, is in town for a few days.

If you want a desirable building lot or a cheap home, call on or write to the Shelby County Bank.

Thanksgiving services will be held at the Methodist church to-day, to which everybody is invited.

Mr. Michael W. is getting very fleshy—in fact, so much so that he has discarded his knee pants.

Mr. William Walker, of Blocton, president of the Shelby County Bank, was in town Monday.

Mr. Charley Lanore, representing Cawthon & Coleman, druggists, of Selma, was in town Monday.

Messrs. R. J. Rotenberry, Charley Wyatt and J. M. Farrington, of Six Mile, were in the city Saturday.

If you want something pretty, and something that will keep you warm, get a cloak from Latham & Co.

Messrs. John and Walter Mulkey, two of Bibb's enterprising young farmers, were in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Sam. J. Morgan, of Blocton, spent Sunday and Monday in our town with his brother, G. W. Morgan.

Latham & Co. have purchased a large quantity of ladies' and children's cloaks and jackets at a great bargain.

We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Ida Broadhead. The family have our sympathy in their hour of distress.

The city market has just received a large supply of pumpkins and cushaws. Also, about forty frying size chickens.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

Mr. John W. Alexander has the thanks of the NEWS force for a nice package of home-raised pecans presented Tuesday.

Mr. H. Pfaff, acting receiver for the Brierfield Coal & Iron Co., was in town Tuesday looking after the interest of the stockholders.

You had better go to Latham & Co.'s and get one of those cheap cloaks before they are all picked over. They are going like hot cakes.

The NEWS man spent Saturday night and Sunday last very pleasantly at Bismark, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Thompson.

Mr. Walter Brown, an old Montevallo boy, but now with Obendorf & Ullman, Selma, was circulating among his many friends here Monday.

Rev. M. P. Reynolds filled the pulpit of the Methodist church Sunday night, and preached a very forcible and instructive sermon. His subject was "Dry Bones."

Mr. Dolph Banks, who has many friends here, has gone to Houston, Texas, where he will make his future home. We wish him success in the Lone Star State.

Mr. Lasenby, of Wetumpka, spent several days last week with his daughter, who is a pupil of the Industrial school. Mr. Lasenby was much pleased with the school.

Our wide-awake merchants, H. C. & W. B. Reynolds, had dirt broken Monday for their handsome new brick store, to be erected on the corner of Church and Main streets.

Mr. John Draper returned Monday evening from a two week's visit to his mother at Oxford. While absent he took in the Calhoun county fair, and reports a big time.

Mesdames DeYampert and Ogletree, of Montgomery, are visiting their daughters at the Dormitory. They are waiting for the weather to get cooler before returning home.

Just as we go to press, we learn that Mr. Pickett, of Aldrich, had the misfortune to lose his dwelling and all of his household and kitchen furniture by fire Tuesday night. No insurance.

W. H. Daniels, better known as "Billie, the Shoe Man," was in town this week representing a well-known Boston shoe house, with the best line coming down the pike, as he expresses it.

Mr. G. A. Lunsford, of Gold Hill, Ala., has just closed a deal with Mr. John H. McMath for his farm near town, and will remove to Montevallo on the first of January and put up a first-class dairy.

A huga juga was discovered near Montevallo last Friday by some fellows who had drank too freely of Chilton county dew. From the description we got of it, we would advise Barnum to get a corner on all of Chilton county output.

Dr. J. W. Pratt, of Aldrich, left Monday night for Seattle, Wash., where he will remain until spring, when Major Howison, of Randolph, and others will join him, and the party will go to Alaska. Dr. Pratt will superintend the construction of a boat while at Seattle, and have everything in readiness by spring.

Russell Bros., photographers, of Anniston, are in the city for a few days. On Monday they photographed the bank building, C. L. Meroney & Co's store, and the Industrial school buildings and grounds with all the pupils and teachers present. The latter picture will be placed in the catalogue of the Southern railway.

There will be union Thanksgiving service at the Baptist church next Sunday night at 7 o'clock. The first thanksgiving by M. P. Reynolds. The effects of giving thanks, P. L. Abernathy. Why give thanks, Prof. Simmons. Each of the above talks not to exceed ten minutes in length. After this there will be voluntary talks. All are invited to attend. There will also be some special music for the occasion.

We call attention to the card of Dr. E. A. Wilson, dentist, in another column. Dr. Wilson has recently returned from a trip through Canada and the Eastern States, and comes highly recommended. While away he purchased a complete outfit of the latest and most improved instruments. In his office, 117½ N. 20th street, Birmingham, Ala., everything moves by electricity, being the most complete of the kind in the city.

We call especial attention of our readers to the advertisement of the Brierfield Normal College and Commercial Institute. Profs. Collier and Gibbons, well-known educators, are at the head of this institution, and have a splendid corps of trained teachers. Young men and young ladies desiring thorough work, and who desire to be judged strictly by its results, can do no better than attend the Brierfield Normal College.

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NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK

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JAPAN DEMANDS INDEMNITY FROM HAWAII.

Shaker Colony to Be Established in Georgia—Latest Estimates of the Year's Cotton Crop—A Countess Suicides—No Foot Ball in Georgia.

W. S. Tyler, late professor of Greek language and literature in Amhurst college, died Friday night at the age of eighty-seven.

Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, has appointed Hon. Hal T. Lewis to succeed Judge Spencer Atkinson on the supreme bench.

At Augusta, Ga., William Moody committed suicide by shooting himself. Domestic troubles seem to have been the cause that led to the act.

At Athens, Ga., Miss Lizzie Cross, aged 17 years, committed suicide by taking poison. It is believed she was temporarily insane at the time.

The Japanese government has demanded the sum of $200,000 in gold from Hawaii by way of indemnity in connection with the emigration affair.

Robert Wiswall, a wealthy New England capitalist, fell down a flight of steps in Atlanta, and received injuries from the effects of which he will die.

A woman, about 20 years of age, who claimed she was the Countess Theresa Ulfeld, a Russian, committed suicide at Edinburg, Scotland, last week.

An artillery wagon loaded with powder and gun cotton exploded in Mexico City, Mex., killing four men and wounding eight soldiers and citizens fatally.

John Sangin, white watchman at the city pesthouse at Chattanooga, was struck by a train on the Nashville Railroad track and received injuries from which he will die.

Morrow Bros., at Clarksville, Tenn., have secured the contract for tobacco for the Italian government. About 15,000,000 pounds of dark tobacco is required for next year.

Mr. Coles' anti-football bill passed the Georgia senate Thursday by an almost unamimous vote. The bill has already passed the house, and now awaits the governor's approval.

A soldier of the First artillery named Joseph Kreig, died in the hospital at Fort Barancas, Fla., last Saturday. An autopsy was held and the attending physicians declared it yellow fever.

The 115th session of the Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is in session in Danville, and will continue a week or more. Bishop Oscar P. Fitzgerald, of Tennessee, is presiding.

The Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in Nashville Thursday in called session and elected George W. Cain treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Dr. Thomas B. Holt.

Gov. McLaurin, of Mississippi, has issued his proclamation making Greenwood a city, entitled to exercise all the rights and powers conferred by charter 93 of the code of 1892. Greenwood has a population of over 2,000 people, and is still growing.

Dr. J. R. Slingerland, the head of a Shaker colony in Ohio, is in Savannah for the purpose of taking steps to organize a colony in Georgia. He went out with parties for the purpose of looking at some land and says the colony will purchase 15,000 acres to start with.

The latest estimate of this year's cotton crop is 10,500,000 bales, against 7,750,000 in 1896 and 9,900,000 in 1894, the big crop year, making an increase of about 25 per cent over last year's crop, and an increase of about 10 per cent over the big crop of 1894.

At Chicago two policemen have been detailed to guard the residence of P. D. Armour. The reason for the precaution is a rumor from Minneapolis that a speculator who lost money in wheat has gone insane and left Minneapolis with the avowed purpose of killing Armour.

The New England cotton manufacturers have entered a protest against the loose way in which cotton is baled in the South, saying it is poorly ginned, poorly handled, poorly baled. overhooked and subject to robbery from the time it leaves the planter's hands until it reaches the mills.

Commissioner General Powderly, of the Immigration Bureau, received a telegram from Inspector Baldwin, in Mississippi, stating that he had secured the arrest of nineteen others of the party of Austrian stave-cutters, making forty-seven in all. Inspector Baldwin was instructed to bring the forty-seven immediately to Baltimore for deportation to Austria and to leave a deputy to find the two still missing.

Since the McKinley administration came into office, March 4th last, twenty-seven American prisoners have been released in Cuba.

The National Odd Fellows' Home and Sanitarium will be opened under favorable auspices at Gainesville, Fla., November 26. By this benevolent enterprise a pleasant and agreeable home and sanitarium will be afforded to the afflicted and ailing members of the order throughout the United States.

It is officially stated that the government considers it necessary that all Spanish residents in the island of Cuba, from the ages of 14 to 40, should enlist as volunteers on behalf of the government. It is asserted that the chiefs of the volunteers assured General Pando that his proposal met with their approval.

The Interstate Commerce Commission desires to correct the recently published statement that only the New York Central & Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroads are fully equipped with safety appliances. Out of 436 roads that have reported to the commission in the matter of safety appliances, 75 roads, or 17.20 per cent., will be equipped with automatic couplers by January 1.

The memory of the most famous crime ever committed in Arkansas—the assassination of Hon. John M. Clayton—has been revived by the receipt of a letter by Governor Jones, written from Pitts, Ga., by a person signing the name of Luther Akins. The writer of the letter recalls the crime, inquires about rewards, and states that he can locate the murderer and produce proof of guilt.

CANADA WILL NEGOTIATE.

Will Send a Commission to Washington to Act Jointly With a Similar One.

Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Louis Davies have returned to Ottawa, Ont., from Washington. Within a couple of hours after their arrival a meeting of the cabinet was held at which the premier explained the recent negotiations with President McKinley and his ministers. As a result of the meeting, it is stated that the cabinet has decided to send a commission to Washington composed of men familiar with the various questions involved to meet with a similar body of men appointed on behalf of the United States, with Ex-Secretary Foster at its head, and to endeavor to reach a settlement on all boundary and other questions at present at issue between the two countries.

Six Cases of Fever at McHenry.

Six well-marked, although mild cases of yellow fever were reported at McHenry, Miss., Friday. The old patient was discharged November 2d, seventeen days ago, and the people felt confident that the fever had run its course. These cases will probably be the last, as jack frost is now taking a hand in the fight.

NEW ORLEANS.

There were six new yellow fever cases Friday and no deaths. There was another cold morning and a trace of frost, and the germ is considered dead, the new cases having been contracted during the recent warm spell and only developing now.

MOBILE.

A light frost was noticed at Mobile Friday morning. There were two new cases of fever and one death for the day.

Contract for Road Awarded.

The contract for the construction of the El Paso and Northeastern railroad was awarded to George S. Good & Co., of Lockhaven, Pa., Friday.

This road opens to El Paso the rich gold and coal fields of the White Oaks country and one of the finest agricultural and stock districts in the state of Texas. Vast quantities of material for the new road are arriving and the contractors will begin throwing dirt Monday.

A light frost was reported in New Orleans Thursday morning, and the fever will soon be a thing of the past.

The Competitor's Crew Pardoned.

The state department at Washington has been notified that the crew of the Competitor, captured in Cuban waters in 1896, charged with filibustering, tried and sentenced to death, have been pardoned by the Queen and will be returned to New York.

There were four prisoners, namely, Alfred Laborde. the captain, a native of New Orleans; William Gildea, Ona Melton and Charles Barrett.

Toll Gate Raiders Active.

The toll gate raiders are again active in Kentucky. At Nicholasville thirty-five masked men rode up in front of the court house square and gave three yells for the inauguration of free toll roads in Jessamine county. The first gate on the Lexington pike and the first gate on the Kenne pike were soon destroyed. Another party of seventy-five horsemen passed on to the Sulphur Well pike. The first gate there was cut into kindling wood. Three gates on the Danville pike shared the same fate. Fully 300 night raiders are out.

SECRETARY BLISS' REPORT.

Big Reduction in the Amount of the Pension Roll Expected.

NEW LAWS FOR ALASKA RECOMMENDED.

Indian Population of the United States Given—Opening of the Wichita Reservation Would Promote That Country's Development.

Secretary of the Interior Bliss, in his annual report, made public last week, submits estimates aggregating $156,532,419 for appropriations by congress for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899.

Discussing pensions, he says 200,000 pension claims are awaiting adjudication, and it is estimated that 40 or 50 per cent of these will be finally admitted. If they are rapidly adjudicated they will swell the pension roll from $5,000,000 to $7,000,000. When, however, these claims are adjudicated, and the first payment made thereon, the amount of the pension roll will decrease very rapidly, possibly to $125,000,000 or $130,000,000 the first year.

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About the Indians.

To total Indian population of the United States, exclusive of the New York Indians and the five civilized tribes, approximates 177,178, located on 177 reservations, which contain approximately 33,404,837 acres. Of these, 4,545 have accepted allotments of land, which aggregate about 644,147 acres.

Secretary Bliss says while the opening of the Wichita reservation in Oklahoma to white settlement would greatly promote the development of that country, yet, in view of the unsettled condition of the questions affecting their rights, until there is further legislation he does not see how it can be done without causing great injury and distress.

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Concerning Alaska.

Concerning Alaska Secretary Bliss says existing conditions demand a radical change in the laws relating thereto and he recommends that the public land laws be extended to that district; that additional land offices be created and appropriations made to carry them into effect; that the granting of way for railroads, telegraph and telephone lines and the construction of roads and trails be specifically authorized; that provisions be made for the incorporation of municipalities, providing for the holding of elections, defining qualifications for voting and giving such powers as are used and exercised by municipalities elsewhere; that the legal and political status of the native population, which is in doubt, be defined; that citizenship be extended to the Metlakahtla Indians, who emigrated from British Columbia, and under authority of an act of congress, approved March 3, 1891, to occupy Annette island; that complete territorial government be authorized and established and that represenation in congress be granted.

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Work on the Nicaragua canal is still suspended, and the company reports liabilities consisting of the amounts still due the concessions to the company of $6,705,000 of bonds, and not exceeding $100 cash liabilities outstanding unpaid; assets, unused capital stock, $518,500 first mortgage bonds, and the 2,420 shares of capital stock received in liquidation, the concession, rights, privileges, franchises, etc., which it now owns; plants, equipments, lands, railway supplies and other property in Central America, including the lands between the lakes and the Pacific.

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A recommendation is submitted for separate appropriations for the civil service commission, to be expended under its own supervision.

A Fatal Street Duel.

J. W. Harris, of the Waco (Texas) Times-Herald, a morning paper, and W. A. Harris, his brother, on one side, and Judge G. B. Gerald, a prominent citizen, fought a duel on the street Friday evening. W. A. Harris was shot dead, J. W. Harris wounded fatally, his body being paralyzed, and Gerald shot in the side. He may die. The trouble was the outcome of the mobbing of W. C. Brann, publisher of the Iconoclast.

SLAVERY GOD'S INSTRUMENT,

Said a Colored Bishop, at a Conference in Virginia.

Bishop L. H. Halsey, of the African M. E. church, addressed the Virginia conference of the M. E. church, south, at Danville, last week, by invitation. In the course of his remarks he declared that the institution of slavery was an instrument in the hands of God for the spread of the gospel, and it is the mission of the southern negro, who has been civilized and Christianized through slavery, to Chaistianize their fatherland—Africa.

MORGAN TALKS ABOUT HAWAII

NEED HAVE NO FEARS OF FOREIGN OPPOSITION.

Since His Return He Favors Annexing the Island Stronger Than Ever.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, member of the committee on foreign relations, has reached Washington on his return from Honolulu, where he went to post himself on the annexation question. For the first time, he submitted himself to an interview on the result of his trip, and in part said:

"My conclusions, based on my observations, are only a full confirmation of what I had previously believed, that it is our national duty, and will be in every way advantageous to all concerned, to annex Hawaii to this country. I have studied the questions from the most authentic and reliable sources. The establishment of an outpost of the United States within the tropics, and 2,200 miles from our coast, challenges the inquiry whether such action is necessary to our national welfare. Our northwestern possessions on the Pacific along the Aleutian Archipelago, are over 1,000 miles west of Honolulu. This gives us control of practically the entire American coast of the north Pacific. The intervention of the British possessions from the straits of Fuca to the northern boundary of Alaska creates a powerful reason for our occupation of Hawaii. Without imputing to Great Britain any other motive than to extend her national policy of commercial conquest, it seems very obvious that if she should acquire dominion of Hawaii and open and fortify Pearl harbor, her military fortress at Esquimalt, on the island of Vancouver, co-operating without, would cut our coast line in two and would leave us incumbered with a mass of territory in Alaska, whose defenses would be almost impossible, and the enormous advantages of which would be lost to us. The Vancouver coal fields would give the British navy almost irresistible advantages in case of war and virtual dominion of commerce in time of peace.

"There would not be the slightest difficulty in the character, condition or wish of the 31,000 native people of Hawaii. They are far better adapted to American citizenship than many millions of those whom we have welcomed here from southern Europe and better adapted than the Indians, Mexicans and native Alaskans.

"Except among the few who expect personal favors and advancement from re-establishment of the royal government, the general body of the Hawaiian population will rejoice in the honor, safety, peace, and prosperity which annexation will bring. Morally and practically, the silent invasion of Hawaii from the orient (the Japanese) violates all the declared policy and often expressed purposes of the United States, to protect those people against foreign interference. The island as a national possession would richly reward us for expenditure of a hundred millions. The annexation would cost us nothing and will not at present excite the open opposition of any nation."

A SINGULAR MISTAKE.

In Attempting to Capture a Murderer One Officer Shoots Another.

News of a singular mistake, which came near having a tragic ending, comes from Uhland, Ala., near Columbus, Ga., while the sheriff with a posse of men were endeavoring to capture a negro murderer, who was located by the officers in a house near Uhland. The building was immediately surrounded. The sheriff and Frank Peppers, one of the posse, went to the back of the house to prevent the desperado escaping in that direction. For some reason the sheriff sent Peppers around to the front of the house again. As Peppers turned the corner of the house he was perceived by Gus Farrows, another member of the posse, who, thinking it was the negro who was trying to escape, blazed away at his brother officer with a double-barreled shotgun. Peppers fell to the ground, and Farrows was about to pour a load of buckshot into him if he attempted resistance, when he happened to perceive his mistake.

Most of the shot lodged in Peppers' arms, and although he is seriously wounded he will probably recover. The sheriff, hearing the shot, rushed around the house, thinking that the negro was escaping. In the midst of the confusion the negro slipped out the back door and escaped.

Steamer Bluff City Burned.

The magnificent Anchor Line steamer Bluff City, one of the finest and newest boats on the Mississippi river, which left St. Louis Wednesday bound for New Orleans with forty passengers and 1,000 tons of miscellaneous freight on board, burned to the water's edge at Chester, Ill., Thursday.

All passengers and the crew escaped to land without injury, but nothing on board was saved. The total loss will aggregate $100,000. A number of valuable race horses, being taken to New Orleans for the races there, lost their lives.

A MODERATE IMPROVEMENT

Colder Weather Has Done Much to Accelerate Retail Trade.

AN ACTIVE DEMAND FOR IRON PRODUCTS.

Some Planters Have Been Compelled to Sell Cotton at a Loss—Cotton Goods Weak—Wheat Exports Unusually Heavy for the Week.

Bradstreet's review of trade says: There is a moderate improvement in staple prices and in distribution of woolen goods, shoes, hats and hardware in the region tributary to Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha. Tennessee and Louisiana jobbers report a revival of demand from the interior merchants, with some of the business delayed by yellow fever quarantine. Trade reports from Georgia and Texas are quite irregular. Some cotton planters are compelled to sell cotton at a loss to meet advances made earlier in the season, and have little or no surplus with which to buy merchandise. Others, notably in Texas, continue to hold cotton, which delays mercantile collections, and in some sections has an unfavorable influence. Colder weather northwest and in the central Mississippi and Missouri river valleys has helped retail business.

Manufacturers of iron, steel, agricultural implements, stoves, railway cars and woolen goods report an active demand and large output, although the appearance of speculative steel has resulted in weakening the prices of billets and a like tendency on the part of Bessemer pig iron.

Higher prices are recorded for wheat, corn, oats, syrup, hides, shoes, leather, and for turpentine. The reaction in iron and steel is likely to be followed by an advance if the present rate of consumption continues. Lower prices for wheat flour and pork are expected to recognize the advances in wheat and Indian corn, so that a lower price for copper is practically the only important decline for the week.

Wheat exports show a heavy increase alike over last week and last year, and with one exception, that of the second week in September, is the largest single week's total on record.

The total exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States this week aggregate 6,635,792 bushels, against 5,445,542 bushels last week, 3,937,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 2,916,000 bushels in 1895, 3,312,675 bushels in 1894, and 2,764,080 bushels in 1893. The total exports of the second week of September, 1891, were 6,974,000 bushels.

Corn exports also show a gain aggregating 3,209,790 bushels for this week, against 2,975,721 last year, 1,743,000 in 1895, and 189,000 in 1894.

There are 235 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 273 last week, 308 in the week a year ago, 323 two years ago, 295 three years ago, and as compared with 358 in the like week of 1893.

THREE THOUSAND SHEEP BURN.

Prairie Fire Ten Miles Wide Sweeps Through Texas Counties.

A terrific prairie fire passed through Lubbock, Hale and Crosby counties, Tex., last week, doing great damage to the ranges.

It originated east of Crosby county, burned eastward through Crosby before a severe west wind, until it reached a point north of Emma, when a norther arose, bringing the fire south in its awful fury. The flames came leaping, making a fire ten miles wide and traveling at lightning speed. At least 400 square miles of territory were burned. Cattle suffered and many were burned to death. North of Emma, three thousand sheep were burned in one flock and many farmers lost their winter feed, fire burning it in the stacks.

Tammany Grows Generous.

The members of the executive committee of Tammany hall have subscribed $20,000 for the starving people of Cuba and a like sum for the poor of New York city. The Cuban check was handed to Senor Tomas Estrada Palma and other members of the junta who had called to seek the aid of Tammany in behalf of their starving countrymen.

Train Wrecked in Arkansas.

Train No. 2 on the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis, which left Birmingham, Ala., for Kansas City, was derailed just west of Williford, Ark., Thursday morning. The combination coach, chair car and sleeper went over the bank, the combination car going into Spring river. The chair car and sleeper were both consumed. It is supposed that the truck gave way.

One passenger, J. T. Hoover, of Pleasant Hill, Mo., was fatally injured and about thirty others more or less seriously hurt. It is believed none of the latter will die.

IT was growing dark when Miss Martie, with her basket on her arm, came into the corner market to buy her Thanksgiving dinner. The basket was absurdly small, but Miss Mattie was little herself, and when she set it on the high counter and stood blinking in the bright light, the calf's head at her elbow seemed to be grinning at them both.

"Well, Miss Mattie," called out the market man, in his hearty fashion, "I see your mind is not set on a turkey this time, but just wait till I start this basket off for Cap'n Lawson's and I'll show you the right thing—a plump little duck I clapped into the safe this morning, thinking to myself that's the very moral of a treat for Miss Mattie."

Miss Mattie looked embarrassed and rubbed her forefinger uneasily over a small coin that lay in the palm of her hand under her glove. It was a silver five-cent piece, and she had taken it with much hesitation from a little store of pieces, most of them given her when she was a child. For herself she could have got along very well with bread and tea, but somehow it seemed a dishonor to all her happy past not to have something special on Thanksgiving; and so she had a feeling of real pity for it, lying there warm and snug in her palm, and so soon to go tumbling into the heap of clashing, jingling coins tossed about by the butcher's greasy fingers, or perhaps into the pocket of that horrible apron with blood-stains on it. Miss Mattie shuddered, but quickly recovered herself to say, cheerfully:

"Oh, thank you, Mr. Simmons; but don't you think ducks are a sight of trouble, what with the stuffing and the roasting and needing to be looked after and basted regular? I made up my mind to something simple, and I don't know anything that's easier got or more relishing than lamb chops. Two lamb chops is about what I thought of, Mr. Simmons. You know there's only me."

Mr. Simmons had not seen the five-cent piece, but he understood just as well as if he had, and he began to cut the chops at once, talking all the time to relieve his own embarrassment and assuring Miss Mattie that "if folks only knew it, there was nothing like lamb chops to encourage your appetite and strengthen you up all over."

"But you'll have to take three chops," looking curiously at the money Miss Mattie laid in his big hand, "or I'll have to make change, and change is scarcer than hen's teeth to-night. You might have company unexpected, you know, and an extry chop would come in handy."

Miss Mattie laughed so genially that the market man ventured to slip a sweetbread and a bunch of yellow celery into the basket on the sly. He would have loved to put in the duck, but that would have looked as if he suspected her reason for not buying it, and, bless you, he knew better than that. Some people have feelings, though their faces are red and their hands coarse and greasy.

Miss Mattie went very happily down the street. She had lighted her lamp before she went out, and a cheerful little ray smiled encouragingly at her as she came to the gate. All the other windows in the weather-beaten old house were black and empty and looked to the lonesome little woman as if all sorts of hobgoblins might be peeping out at her from the gloom behind them, for Miss Mattie's neighbors had gone away on a Thanksgiving visit and taken the whole family. At least they said "the whole family," but at the very moment Miss Mattie came to the gate a member of the family was huddled up in a corner of the doorway, cold, hungry and much perplexed to understand what had become of all his friends and why, in spite of his pitiful plea, no one came to open the door for him. He heard Miss Mattie and ran hopefully to meet her, limping as he came, for he had a stiff leg.

"Why, Tommy Barnes," said Miss Mattie, stooping to pat his rough yellow head, "you don't mean to say your folks have gone off to Thanksgiving and left you beeind. Well, if I ever! How dreadful—thoughtless—and you a cripple besides!"

Tommy kept on crying, but he had his eye on the door while Miss Mattie was fitting her key, and the minute it opened he darted in.

"That's right, Tommy," said Miss Mattie; "just make yourself at home. You and I'll have our Thanksgiving together. That extra chop will be wanted after all, and I'm going to make riz biscuits."

She put away her bonnet and shawl and hung the basket on a nail in the back-room without even looking at the contents, though Tommy Barnes watched her keenly with a shrewd suspicion of something good, and a faint hope which nothing in his past experience justified that he might come in for a share of it. Miss Mattie was accustomed to being alone, and she scarcely thought of Tommy, as she trotted about, setting the sponge for her biscuits in a pint bowl, putting a little cup of broth on the stove to warm for her supper, making her tea, toasting her bread, and at last sitting down by the table in the little green chair with a patchwork cushion. Up to this point Tommy had sat quietly by the fire, having learned by many severe lessons that little folks should be seen and not heard, but when Miss Mattie poured out the savory broth the delicious odor was too much for his fortitude, and with one bound he sprung into her lap.

"Bless me," said Miss Mattie, "if I hadn't clean forgot you, and you half-starved, I dare say. There, get down. I never could abide cats around my victuals."

She put Tommy gently on the floor, crumbled some bread into the bowl of broth, cooled it carefully and set it down for him to eat.

"It's pretty rich for me anyway," she said, as she made out her supper with toast and tea.

It was perhaps well for Tommy that he took an early promenade next morning around the back yards of the neighborhood, and secured several valuable tid-bits, for Miss Mattie had very little to offer him. She baked her delightful little [illegible] biscuits, and enjoyed them immensely, finding them lighter and more digestible without butter. She read a Thanksgiving psalm and went about trying to sing in a little chirrupy voice like a brown sparrow. She brought in the small basket and flushed over the unexpected treasuretrove, but took it kindly as a bit of neighborly goodwill. The sweetbread, white and plump and all ready for cooking, reminded her of old Mrs. Morrison, just beginning to sit up and watch the people go by the window. What a toothsome dainty this would be for her, and what a delight that she should be able to take it to her as she went to church, yes, and some of the celery, too, for a relish. The chops were transferred to a plate on the shelf, the sweetbread wrapped in a fine old napkin and laid back in the basket with the best half of the celery, and the biscuits Miss Mattie had saved for dinner.

"The cold bread will go just as well with chops," she reflected, and prepared for church with a glow of happiness such as she had not known in a long time.

It helped to a real feeling of thankfulness, especially when she thought of old Mrs. Morrison, and how pleased she had been with the unexpected gift. She laughed a little to herself as she returned to her own door after service, remembering how when Sally Morrison had commiserated her on being alone Thanksgiving Day, she had assured her she had company invited—Tommy Barnes, from the next door, who was spending a couple of days with her, the rest of the family being away.

"I hope 't wa'n't a sinful untruth," she said, smiling at Tommy, who lay peacefully sleeping on the braided rug, "but if old Miss Morrison had set in to have me stay to dinner, I shouldn't a' known how to get away, and she is such a talker."

With a long, clean apron over her best frock, Miss Mattie began cheerfully to make her small preparations for the Thanksgiving feast. She had meditated leaving one chop for breakfast, but her walk and happiness had made her hungry and she decided to cook them all.

But where did she put these chops—she was getting so forgetful—she could have sworn she put them on the shelf—could she have left them in the basket after all? Her perplexed eyes fell from the shelf to the floor, and there, just peeping from the wood-box was the plate, and two small, very small, bits of bone, gnawed quite clean and white.

Ungrateful Tommy Barnes, lying there in peaceful slumber, with those precious chops rounding out your yellow sides, if justice had befallen you then and there you might not have lived to steal again. But into the midst of Miss Mattie righteous wrath came the reflection that Tommy must have been hungry, and the fault after all was partly her own for putting temptation in his way, "though how anything could have been further out of his way than that shelf, I don't really see," she added, dolefully.

At that minute Tommy Barnes waked from his nap, transformed himself into a camel, yawned in a frightfully tigerish fashion, and proceeded to sharpen his claws on the rug, the sacred rug into which had been braided some precious old garments dear to Miss Mattie's heart. It was a straw too much to have insult added to injury, and springing from her chair, she cuffed Tommy in such vigorous fashion that three or four hearty blows found their mark before the astonished sinner could withdraw his claws and bound out at the back door, left ajar in the search for the chops. At that instant a resounding knock on the front door sent Miss Mattie's heart to her throat with a sudden leap, as if justice were already coming to take her in hand for unreasonable cruelty.

When Miss Mattie was peacefully pattering about, unconscious of the cruel trick fate and Tommy Barnes had played her, Mrs. Deacon Giles was surveying her husband with a disturbed and tearful face.

"You don't mean to tell me," she repeated, "that the minister's folks ain't comin' at all, and you and me has got to eat this big dinner alone? Here, I stayed home from church to tend to it. Oh, you needn't to look as if you thought it was a judgment. Josiah I wouldn't be such a hippercrit as to pretend to be thinkin' of spiritooal things when I was wonderin' if Sarah Ellen would remember to baste the turkey. Seems to me they might let us know sooner."

"But I told ye, mother, it was a telegram come just before church. You can't regerlate telegrams like the weekly newspaper, or stop folks from dyin' unexpicted."

"Then, why didn't you rush round and get somebody else? Mercy sakes! 'Twon't seem like Thanksgiving at all——"

"SHE WAS TUCKED IN THE YELLOW SLEIGH."

"Didn't seem to be anybody to ask but old Mis' Morrison and Marthy Ellison. I drove round by the Morrisons, but the old lady was just having something relishing Miss Mattie had fetched in. They said they invited her to dinner, but she had comp'ny; one of them Barneses next door."

"Fiddlesticks!" said the deacon's wife, in a very disrespectful tone, "You just drive straight back and bring Marthy Ellison up here to dinner. Tell her I don't take any excuse, and, if she can't come otherways, she can bring her comp'ny along, though the way them shif'less Barnesses impose on her is a mortal shame."

Good Deacon Giles had learned docility in many years of experience, and the double knock at Miss Mattie's door followed as quickly as could be reasonably expected. Miss Mattie attempted neither excuse nor hesitation, but accepted her good providence with radiant delight.

"Mother said to fetch your comp'ny along," said the deacon, glancing doubtfully about the small room. "We heard you had one of the Barneses. I kinder hope 'tain't the cross-eyed one that stole my pears."

"Oh," said Miss Mattie, laughing into the little mirror, as she tied her bonnet, "he's had his dinner and he's gone out."

She didn't say that he had eaten hers also, but at Mrs. Giles's hospitable table, under the genial influence of generous fare and pleasant old-time reminiscences, she told the story of Tommy Barnes and the lamb chops in a way that made the deacon lose his breath with laughter. And when she was tucked into the yellow sleigh for the ride home, Mrs. Giles stopped at the door to say:

"I put some bits of bones and things in a basket under the seat for Tommy. Takes a sight of stuff to reely fill up a cat fur 'nough to give his moral principles a fair showin'."

Tommy was on the step waiting to welcome Miss Mattie, which shows his forgiving disposition, and, though he got as much as was good for him out of the basket under the seat, Miss Mattie very wisely concluded that the mince pie, roast chicken and cranberry sauce could hardly have been meant for his delight, so she locked them in the cupboard, saying decidedly:

"This time, Tommy Barnes, I'll give your moral principles a fair showing." EMILY HUNTINGTON MILLER.

THE JOYS OF THANKSGIVING.

On Desert Air.

Winthrop—"If Freddie is going to spend Thanksgiving with his grandmother, perhaps you'd better buy him that tin horn."

Mrs. Winthrop—"I spoke to him about it, my dear, but he said it would do no good to him, as grandmother is deaf."

O HEART, GIVE THANKS.

O heart, give thanks for strength, to-day,
To walk, to run, to work, to play!
For feasts of eye; melodious sound;
Thy pulses' easy, rhythmic bound;
Ten servants that thy will obey;

A mind clear as the sun's own ray;
A life which has not passed its May;
That all thy being thus is crowned,
O heart, give thanks!

Feet helpless lie that once were gay;
Eyes know but night's eternal sway;
Souls dwell in silence, dread, profound;
Minds live with clouds encircling round;
In face of these, thy blessings weigh!
O heart, give thanks!

—Emma C. Dowd.

THE JOKERS' BUDGET.

COLD VICTUALS.

Jones-Brown—Will you contribute to my Klondike grub stake?

Brown-Jones—Yes, I'll contribute the ice.

ANOTHER MASTERPIECE.

"Have you seen Pegreen's new painting?"

"No; what's the subject?"

"'Death on a High-Grade Wheel,' a companion piece of 'Death on a Pale Horse.'"

'TIS THE GUN.

"Why is it that Chumpley always buys another new gun at the opening of the game season?"

"Because the one he had the year before never killed anything."

PLENTY OF THEM.

"You say you love my daughter?"

"I love her, sir, with every fiber that I possess."

"Every fiber?"

"Yes, sir. I'm in the rope and cable business, sir."

THE CHEERFUL IDIOT.

"I see," said the shoe clerk boarder, "that there is a king in Africa who has been drunk for fifteen years."

"That," said the Cheerful Idiot, "is what might be called a soaking reign."

THE OLD, OLD DELUSION.

"Darling," he whispered, "it costs no more to keep two bicycles in repair than one."

Love is eternal; its delusions, even, are mutable only in respect of their terms.

IT WOULDN'T WORK.

"One touch of nature, you know, old man——"

"Of course, of course; but you're not nature, and consequently I refuse to be touched."

Thus the promptness with which he saw the point saved him.

SIZED HIM UP.

An Irishman, who had jumped into the water to save a man from drowning, on receiving a sixpence from the rescued man, looked first at the sixpence and then at the donor, saying:

"Be jabers, I am overpaid for that job."

EVERY SEAT WAS TAKEN.

Barnes Tormer—Every seat was taken at our last performance.

Roscius de Hamm—I heard about it. I was told that the audience carried off the benches as the only way of getting any return for their money.

AS BETWEEN MEN.

"Yes, dear, I met your father, and told him that I wanted to talk with him as one man with another."

"And"——

"Well, that was the kind of talk I got. With all the temper he has, I am sure he would never have used such language in talking to a woman."

KEEPING HER WORD.

"Madam," said the attorney for the defense, "do you recognize the prisoner as your husband?"

"No, sir," she indignantly replied, "I told him when he got into trouble before that if he repeated the offense I would never recognize him again!"

TRYING TO DEFRAUD HER.

Horton—How is it that you always put on such a long face and talk so discouragingly when your wife happens to be present? At other times you are one of the most enthusiastic prosperity boomers I know of.

Henley—I promised her away along last spring that I'd get her a new sealskin sacque this fall, if business picked up.

IN HARD LUCK.

Billiken—What's the matter, Williken?

Williken—Matter enough. You know, some time ago I assigned all my property to my wife, to—to keep it out of the hands of—of people I owe, you know.

"Yes."

"Well, she's taken the money and gone off—says she won't live with me because I swindled my creditors."

AREA.

"Let me," urged the merchant, "sell you a cyclometer. It will tell you just how much ground you have covered."

The man with the slender legs took the cyclometer in his hands, gazed upon it earnestly for a moment, and then smiled bravely through his bicycle face.

"Have you none that registers in acres?" he asked, with a palpable effort to be bright.

HE COULDN'T HELP IT.

"Why is it," asked the young lady who was being shown through the establishment, as she stopped beside the man who gets up the "funny column," "why is it that you humorists always look so solemn?"

"Because if a fellow has to make a living at it this joking becomes a mighty serious business."

Then, of course, she said:

"Why, how funny!"

Some of the consular offices of the United States have been held by the same men for 20 years, and Mr. Hardegg has been consul in Syria for 26 years.

THE MOBILE AND OHIO.

Birmingham News.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a reference to the constantly reviving rumor that the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, which is building an extension from Columbus, Miss., to Montgomery, Ala., via Tuskaloosa, with branches to Brookwood and Blocton, is going to come into Birmingham by a line to be built from Blocton or Brookwood to Bessemer, where it is stated that the Mobile and Ohio will come into control of the Birmingham, Powderly and Bessemer steam dummy line recently sold to the Birmingham Railway and Electric Company, and thus enter the city.

A News reporter received authentic information on this subject from Chief Engineer Merriwether, of the Mobile and Ohio, at the Morris Hotel this morning. The reporter put the question to Mr. Merriwether point blank as follows:

"Mr. Merriwether, is the Mobile and Ohio Railroad coming into Birmingham?"

"That the Mobile and Ohio Railroad would like to come into Birmingham," replied Mr. Merriwether, "there is no doubt, but it is equally true that the road has no such intention at present. The road has no more idea of building a line to Birmingham at this time than I propose to do it individually. There is absolutely no truth in the report that we are heading this way.

"It is true," continued Mr. Merriwether, "that a party of suvreyors have been in the field on a line coming this way from Blocton, but what they are there for I do not know. I have been asked if they represent us, and I have said they do not. What they are doing I do not know, but I do know that they are not surveying a route to Birmingham for the Mobile and Ohio Railroad.

"For one thing, the Hanover Construction Company cannot build to Birmingham under the present contract. There were four million of 5 per cent. bonds issued, and the contract plainly states that they are to be used to build the extension from Montgomery to Columbus with extensions to Blocton and the Warrior coal fields. There is no provision for doing anythiug else, and we could not consider a line to Birmingham under the funds thus raised.

"We have been somewhat set back on the Warrior extension by not finding the coal mines in operation we expected to find. For this reason we may have to push on to Brookwood, but that is all the further extension we can make now.

"No; we do not meditate coming into Birmingham; we have not bought or dickered for the Birmingham, Powderly and Bessemer dummy line: we have no project laid out for entrance into this city."

Mr. Merriwether, speaking of the construction of the extension from Columbus to Montgomery, said; "Rails are now laid from the Columbus end to within fifteen miles of Tuskaloosa. We expect to be in Tuscaloosa by December 1, and trains will be able to operate between Columbus and Tuscaloosa for work of construction if not for regular service, by January 1."

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This period also compares with our First Missing Word Contest last year, in which Mr. M. L. Brittain secured the prize—$1,033.50. As that was our First Contest, there were more than 5,000 subscribers received during the time, who did not enter for prize. It will not be so this time, for the plan is widely advertised and we have paid out within the past twelve months **NEARLY $5,000 CASH** upon the Five Missing Word Contests. The series has been of extraordinary interest, and the idea seems to grow in the public's favor.

The book containing the sentence is a standard publication, and has been sealed up and placed with Mr. W. A. Hemphill, President and Business Manager of The Constitution, who will hold it safely until January 1, 1898.

The sentence speaks for itself and submits a very plain proposition for you to solve.

The Contest Began November 1, 1897.
The Contest Ends January 1, 1898.

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THE CONTEST BEGAN NOV. 1ST—We began then to keep accurate account of the subscriptions received with guesses and on December 1st we will publish how much is to the credit of the subscribers guessing, and during December we will publish each week how the fund has grown.

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BILL ARP'S WEEKIY LETTER.

HAS MORE TRIBULATIONS DURING HIS LECTURE TOUR.

ANOTHER RIDE ON FREIGHT TRAIN.

However, All's Well That Ends Well. Philosopher Visits Spot Where Great Men Are Buried.

Charlotte, N. C., is a growing city of 20,000 people. Charlotte has the best advertising sketchbook I ever saw. It is beautifully printed and illustrated and seems to be founded on facts. They are distributed from all of the hotels and are pleasant reading on the train. It tells all about the health and climate and altitude and business and resources and public morals, but what amazed and impressed me most was the circle map that shows the number of cotton mills within a radius of 100 miles from Charlotte. On this map are black dots numbering the mills at every town and the aggregate is 210, or about 62 percent of all the mills in the south. These mills operate 1,621,000 spindles and 14,000 looms and are capitalized at $50,000,000. This little book contains a tabular statement of all these mills by name and capacity. Charlotte has eleven of her own.

Now, I was ruminating about this in connection with five cent cotton. And there is some comfort in it, for we keep at home all the profit there is in manufacturing and we give employment to thousands of our poor and dependent people. Suppose that every township in Georgia had a cotton mill and that all its earnings were spent and scattered in the community, then we wouldn't feel so bad over the low price of the great staple. We would indirectly share in the profits of manufacturing.

Once again I visited the old time-honored cemetery—the first graveyard of old Mecklenburg county. I was sorry to see that it has of late been neglected and has grown up in briars and weeds. I took note of some of the old inscriptions, and this one especially attracted my attention:

"Oh, Crux—ave spes unica.

"Sacred to the memory of Patrick Harty, who was born in Tipperrary, Ireland.

"It is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins.—II Maccabees 12, 46."

There lies a good Roman Catholic, thought I. He went to purgatory and the priest prayed for him. Then I ruminated about Maccabees not being in the sacred canon, but was in the Apocrypha, and the Apocrypha was ruled out of the King James version in 1826. Then I turned to an old Bible that had the Apocrypha and found that the 12th chapter of II Maccabees had only forty-five verses, but the last three had the same injunction to pray for them who are dead, and furthermore that Judas Maccabees raised among his soldiers 2,000 drachma as a sin offering for those who were slain. I make no comment on this. Martin Luther translated the Bible and left in it these two books, as he said, for human consideration.

There is another tombstone at Cheraw that interested me, for it marks the grave of no man or woman now known. It reads as follows:

"My name—my country—what are they to thee
What—whether high or low my pedigree;
Perhaps I far surpassed all other men,
Perhaps I fell below them all—what then?
Suffice it, stranger, that thou seest a tomb,
Thou knowest its use—it hides no matter whom."

The other morning about daybreak I left Charlotte for Lumberton, on the Wilmington road. The breakfast house was 70 miles away at Hamlet, and when I got there I heard the conductor say: "Twenty minutes for breakfast." But I dident hear him say change cars for Wilmington and points this side. You see I am getting quite deaf in one ear and can't hear at all out of the other, but my wife says it is astonishing how quickly I hear the breakfast bell. We had a splendid meal, and I regained my seat in the same car. When about a mile from town the conductor called for my ticket, and recognized me as bound for Lumbertown. He frantically pulled the bell cord and told me to get off and hurry back, for maybe I could catch the Wilmington train. Right then I was distressed, for I knew there was no other train that day, and I was billed to lecture that night. The sand was shoemouth deep, but I gripped my baggage and foxtrotted about 200 yards and suddenly discovered that I would have to put on brakes for my wind was giving out. Another hundred yards and I had to stop and blow, for my heart was thumping like a bass drum, and there is so much heart failure nowadays that I got alarmed and put down my valise and sat on it. Just then I saw my train steaming away like a snake in the grass, and I involuntarily exclaimed, "Farewell, vain world, I'm going home." So I took my time and made haste slowly, and when I reached the station was the picture of disappointment and dispair. "What can an old man do but die?" I murmured. Wish now I had my photograph as I was foxtrotting through that sand, and then another as I saw that train steaming away without me. But all's well that ends well. I found a freight train that was going to leave for Lumberton at 11 o'clock, but the conductor couldent say when it would get there. I wired my friend that I was left, but to hold the fort, for I was coming—and he did. It was only forty-four miles, but it took us over eight long hours to get there. I had only time to wash up and brush up and eat supper, but I found a good house full awaiting me. My subject was "The Cracker and the Cavalier," and my friend introduced me by saying: "Ladies and gentlemen, I have the pleasure of introducing to you the distinguished Georgia cavalier, who will now proceed to address the North Carolina crackers." Well, this brought down the house to start on, and put everybody in a good humor, especially when I apologized for my delay and portrayed my trials and tribulations. Lumberton is a good old town, and has the best waterworks that I have seen anywhere. They have four blowing artesian wells for public use, and many more private ones. These public ones, including pipes and everything, cost less than $1,000, and I know of many a town that would give $10,000 for similar privileges. Lumberton does not realize what a treasure that water is, for it is cold and pure.

The next stop was at Weldon, in Halifax county. I don't know what those people have done to McKinley, but he has already appointed eight negro postmasters in the county and six of them have accepted and are in office. The people are hot, I tell you, for the negroes outnumber the whites and brag that "their time has come at last, thank the Lord."

It used to be that when a man wasent irreverent enough to tell a man to "go to hell" he would tell him to go to "Halifax." I understand now what he meant. It has been nearly fifty years since I stopped at Weldon and the town hasent changed much. The people are high-toned and have good manners, for they live close to the Virginia line and come from aristocratic stock. From Weldon I journeyed to Washington, on Pamlico sound, a lively city of 6,000 people. I was escorted to the Ricks House, where all the drummers congregate, for Mrs. Rick is a mother to them all, and they love her. I found her house full of them. They come and they go on every train. I like the drummers and sympathize with them, for they are far from home and many of them have families and have to leave them, as I do, to make a living. I am a drummer myself, but I don't like the name. It is slang and does not fit such a respectable class of gentlemen. It origated from the old militia musters when drum and fife were used to call up the boys and get them in line. The sergeant would cry out: "Oh, yes; oh, yes; all who belong to Captain Jones' company parade here." Then the drum would rattle and the fife would whistle and the boys would gather and fall into line. Drumming now means come right here and buy my goods, and the drummer rattles his tongue with earnest alacrity. I feel sorry for them now, for 5-cent cotton has nearly ruined their business. But they keep going. They are everywhere. They get on and off at every station by night and by day. They keep up the hotels and largely help out the railroads. They are smart and good-looking and well behaved and know more about everything than any other class. They are constantly rubbing against the world and absorbing knowledge.

Well, this is the historic region where Sir Walter Raleigh's lost colony was planted and where Virginia Dare was born. I saw Virginia. Her name was on a beautiful steamer that was loading at the wharf. A sweet little girl laughed at me for not knowing all about Virginia Dare a long time ago. Her father says that Mr. McMillan, of Red Springs, has written a book about the lost colony and that the Croatans now have free schools that are separate from both white and black races. The lost colony amalgamated and miscegenerated with these Croatans and no doubt but that Virginia Dare's blood flows in some of their veins.

From here I am homeward bound and am happy on the way.—BILL ARP in Atlanta Constitution.

To Become Coal Barons.

The Vanderbilt interests have a scheme on foot aiming at the control, through the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, of the soft coal markets of both East and West. Every part of the enterprise, from the ownership of the coal lands to the final delivery of the product, will be managed by one head, representing one interest.

A Mexico City dispatch says: Vera Cruz and Matlazan show clean bills of health, there being no fever in either city.

Passed the Painful Stage.

"Can you ride your bicycle yet?"

"Oh, yes! It seems just as easy now as it did before I began to learn."—Puck.

ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Hon. John L. Cobb Dead.

Hon. John L. Cobb, ex-state treasurer of Alabama, died at his home in Montgomery Wednesday night. He was 56 years old and had been prominent in business circles for years.

Cotton Gin and Lumber Yard Burned.

Fire at Hartselle recently destroyed the cotton gin and lumber yard belonging to Robert Sobatka. The loss was total. Forty bales of cotton and 30,000 feet of lumber comprised the principal loss outside of buildings.

Hon. Woodley C. Campbell Dead.

Hon. Woodley C. Campbell, city alderman from the first ward in Montgomery, coroner of Montgomery county, captain of a Montgomery cavalry company and a prominent business man, died at 7 o'clock Thursday morning in Atlanta. He had tbeen here several weeks under treatment of specialists. He had been in failing health for more than a year, as a result of an abscess on his liver.

Men at Work on New Extension.

The Nashville. Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad now has a force of 150 men at work near Cluttsville on the extension of the Middle Tennessee and Alabama. They are putting three miles of track to make a "Y" between Cluttsville and Madison "X" Roads. The line as surveyed, leaves Huntsville to the left. The contractors say that as soon as spring opens the line will be completed from the "Y" on through to Decatur.

Working for Armor Plate Plant.

Congressman Underwood, of the ninth Alabama district, the leader of the movement for the location of a government armor plate plant in the southern states will endeavor to have a provision attached to either the naval appropriation or to the sundry civil bill for the erection of an armor plate plant to be located at Birmingham.

He has been in correspondence with numerous western and southern members of congress and says he finds that a vast majority will support a measure of this kind. Mr. Underwood is very sanguine of success in his undertaking.

Acknowledges That Fever Existed.

Greensboro, Hale county, has acknowledged at last that yellow fever has prevailed in that city. Dr. Geddings, the government marine hospital surgeon, who has been in Selma disinfecting and fumigating the nine houses in Selma wherein existed yellow fever, received a telegram from Surgeon-General Wyman stating that the mayor and the board of health at Greensboro requested that someone be sent there to investigate and fumigate the houses. In the telegram Dr. Geddings was ordered to go at once to Greensboro and report to Mayor Randolph.

Seeking an Independent Organization.

A conference to organize an independent colored Presbyterian church in the United States is in session at Birmingham. The colored Presbyterians in the South have ever since the war affiliated with ths Southern Presbyterian assembly, but gradually they have been showing a disposition to flock to themselves, until the idea of organizing an independent church has finally taken shape in the conference which is now in session. The proposed church is to have national jurisdiction. The Southern Assembly is represented at the meeting by its committee on colored evangelization, of which Dr. A. L. Phillips, of Tuskaloosa, is secretary, and the Northern Assembly also has prominent members present to counsel the ministers and elders.

Iowa Farmers Locating in This State.

J. E. McMichael has just arrived in Morgan county as an advance guard for a large party of emigrant Iowa farmers, consisting of eleven families, who, he says, are traveling overland with all their stock, wagons and personal property, headed for Decatur. The distance they will cover is more than 800 miles. McMichael came on first in order to make certain essential arrangements. The large party will arrive here in a few days. McMichael says they are only a small number compared to the exodus that will come here a little later on, as soon as they can complete their arrangements to get away. This first party have obtained three large fertile farms about six miles west of Decatur, where they will locate.

Alleged Systematic Robbery at Huntsville.

The committee of aldermen, who have in charge the construction of city sewers at Huntsville, has made the startling allegation that the city has been systematically robbed for several weeks past, and right under their noses at that. The discovery was that a number of negroes, who have at some time been employed in the trenches, and since discharged, have been drawing money regularly every Saturday night for a week's work without having worked at all.

All of these negroes belonged to a gang superintended by C. M. Tardy. Investigation of the matter begun Monday morning with a called meeting of the city council. The sewer committee was instructed to make a thorough investigation. A closed meeting of this committee was held, and several of the laborers, who have drawn money to which they are not entitled, were placed on the witness stand, and testified that they have been paid a small amount each week to answer their names at roll call and to make application for their wages on pay day.

The city council held a special meeting, and Alderman J. D. Humphrey, paymaster in the sewer construction corps, resigned his position and demanded that his books be thoroughly investigated.

LETTER FROM WILSON.

Commissioner Culver Receives a Communication from Agricultural Department.

The following interesting communication has been received by Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, from Hon. James Wilson, secretary of the national bureau of agriculture:

"I will not have time to make speeches in Alabama, except at the technical institutions at Tuskegee and Auburn, and these will be only informal. I would be pleased to meet your farmers and spend a good deal of time with them, but my duties here are exacting, and my purpose in visiting the south is to study the conditions and consult with gentlemen like yourself, who are familiar with these conditions. I want to learn more about the south, so as to make this department as useful as possible to our people. This will be my business down there. and I must do it as rapidly as possible. I cannot be longer than four or five days in your state.

"I wish to meet the fellows in the field with their coats off and see what their greatest difficulties are. I would like to see what you have done to the soils of Alabama, to what extent they are used, what recuperative methods are used on the depleted soils, etc. I will make inquiry into the dairy industry of the state. During my stay here I intend making repeated visits to the south. This will be my first visit to Alabama, but I hope it will not be my last."

APPROACHING COMPETITION.

Trains on the M. & O. Extension Will Soon be Running.

The Mobile and Ohio railroad will be operating trains within ten days. The trains will be running from Tuskaloosa to Columbus, Miss. The road is complete in every detail to within ten miles of Tuskaloosa. The contractors, by using their new track-laying machine, complete two miles daily. The false work on all of the bridges between Tuskaloosa and Columbus has been finished. On the bridge across the Warrior river the crossties and rails are being laid. The iron work for the permanent bridges is on hand in Columbus, snd will be shipped by the first train over the line. The building of this extension has broken all records for quickness.

The grading from Tuskaloosa to Montgomery is almost complete. All that remains to be done in this line is the completion of the trestling. The rails for this end are in Tuskaloosa, having been taken there by the Alabama Great Southern road.

The corps of engineers at work between Birmingham and Blocton continue their surveying to Bessemer. On account of the extreme ruggedness of this part of the country the progress is very slow.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Fire destroyed six houses at Elyton last Thursday, entailing a loss of $4,000.

The Alabama Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, meets in Union Springs on the 15th of December.

The annual convention of the Alabama Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association will convene in Birmingham, Dec. 2, and will continue two weeks.

R. A. Smith, of Fayette, has been justice of the peace for a longer period, perhaps, than any man in the state. He has held that office for nearly forty years with but few breaks.

Mrs. C. M. Wright has been commissioned to take charge of the postoffice at Leighton. Her husband, who was first appointed under McKinley, has been appointed deputy United States marshal by Hon. D. F. Cooper.

At the State Health Department at Montgomery Clerk Brassell has gone sufficiently into the matter to ascertain that the total cost to the state of quarantine will be about $9,000. Only a few more of those employed in the service are to be settled with.

Thursday night the Methodist church at Oak Bowery, near Opelika, was completely destroyed by fire, together with all the furniture, carpet and organ. The building has been standing there in a magnificent grove of massive oaks for nearly hall a century.

VICTORY OR DEATH.

Manifesto is Sent Out to All Cuban Sympathizers.

The Cuban constituent assembly, which met recently at Camaguey to remodel the constitution and elect a new president, issued a manifesto which reached the office of the Cuban junta in New York Friday.

The document is dated at Layaha, October 18, 1897, and is signed by Domingo Mendez Capote, as president of the assembly. The manifesto is addressed "by the representatives of the Cuban people to all those who have the independence and future welfare of Cuba at heart."

The document says that the assembly before adjourning deemed it its duty to proclaim, among other things:

"No special laws, no political reform or autonomy, nothing, in short, that the Spanish government may be willing to grant that means Spanish sovereignty over Cuba shall be accepted by the Cubans as a settlement of the war.

"Independence or death is and shall be the unalterable and sacred motto of the Cubans.

"The Cubans have not resorted to arms in order to obtain any political measures which does not once and for all solve the Cuban question. That is the reason we will accept nothing short of absolute independence.

"It is our purpose to constitute an independent state, orderly, prosperous and happy, over the ruin of a worn out colony.

"We are firmly determined to carry on war until victory or death crowns our efforts."

EXPLOSION OF NITRO-GLYCERINE.

Almost Wipes Chesterfield, Ind., Off the Map.

Chesterfield, Ind., was almost wiped off the map at an early hour Friday morning by an explosion of eighty quarts of nitro-glycerine which had been brought overland from Montpelier and placed in an open field half a mile from town. Marion Mansey and Sam Maguire were working in a gas well near by when the explosion occurred. Mansey was thrown fifty feet, but not fatally injured. Maguire was also thrown a hundred feet in the air and badly lacerated, but will recover.

James Gold's house, 300 rods distant, was blown to pieces. The explosion tore a hole in the ground down to the water line, and, so far as can be learned, was spontaneous. A three-ton engine was torn to fragments, and and every living animal near by was killed instantly. The little town of Chesterfield is a mass of ruins, every house being moved from its foundation.

WEDDED TO PELAGIC SEALING.

Canada Declines a Proposition Looking to a Suspension for a Year.

A reply has been prepared by the dominion government of Canada, and forwarded to Washington, in respect to the negotiations which are now going on between the countries. The government will not say what the reply is until it reaches Mr. Foster, at Washington, but it is understood that it is a refusal to stop pelagic sealing for a year, as the United States requested. The whole question depended upon this, and therefore it would appear that the negotiations are to fail in their object. However, there is a report that the Canadian government has proposed an alternative proposition for the consideration of the United States, which could be laid before congress at its next sitting and passed in time to deal with pelagic sealing and the questions of dispute next season.

M'KINLEY IS CAREFUL.

Has No Recommendations for Action Relative to Cuba.

It is understood that the President in his message, will suggest to congress that it would be inadvisable at present to take any action which would complicate the situation in Cuba. It is said that he will suggest that the passage of resolutions recognizing belligerency or independence would be inexpedient while the measures of reform proposed by Spain and to be carried out by Gen. Blanco, are being introduced. The release of the Competitor and other American prisoners, will be referred to as gratifying, and as relieving the United States from the necessity of intervention upon the ground of the protection of American life and property.

New Peruvian Cabinet.

A telegram from Lima, Peru, announces the formation of a new cabinet, as follows:

President of the cabinet and minister of interior, Lopez Dehando.

Minister of foreign relations, Dr. Grique de la Riva-Aguero, of the former cabinet.

Minister of justice, Dr. Jose Antonio de la Vallee Y Pardo.

Minister of war and navy, Col. Jose Rosa Gil.

Minister of the treasury, Signor Ignacio Rey, of the former cabinet.

Minister of public works, Dr. Ricardo L. Flores.

Rainmakers in this country have been apparently inactive this season, but a drought would have revived interest in their plans and theories. In Europe their experiments have attracted more attention. Germany offers a reward of $2,500 to any one who can produce a downpour of rain at moderate expense. It is suggested that inventors in this line should also discover how to stop excessive rains, with resulting floods. The favorite devices for rainmaking thus far are cannon explosives, balloons that burst at an elevation, compressed gasses and electric connections between the clouds and the earth.

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SANDALS WORN BY OXEN.

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"He must have thought me deaf and dumb."

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To Remove Tan and Freckles.

The juice of cucumbers pressed out with a lemon-squeezer is one of the most effective and simple remedies known for removing sunburn.

For removing freckles take one cup of milk and two spoonfuls of grated horseradish, and let it stand for one hour; then strain and bathe the face and hands in it.

A half a pint of rosewater and one spoonful of lemon juice is considered excellent for bathing the face in to remove tan.

A complexion wash, which is very highly recommended and removes freckles, is made of a quarter pound of oatmeal soap, shaved fine into one quart of soft, boiling water; stir until it is smooth and cool; then add a half pint spirits of wine and a quarter ounce of oil of rosemary.

The danger that lies in the use of inflammable hair washes, and which has already manifested itself in the death of two women in the city of London, has induced so eminent a scientist as Lord Kelvin to write a letter upon the subject, which was regarded of enough importance to be published in the London Times. The washes that have been responsible for these disasters are composed chiefly of gasoline or benzine, and are used by hairdressers to remove the natural oil that will collect in the hair of a healthful person. During such cleaning process explosions have followed and death has in two notable instances resulted. Lord Kelvin says that the explosion was due to an electric spark generated by rubbing or handling the hair. All persons are familiar with the experiment of producing electric sparks by stroking a cat's back, and Lord Kelvin holds that the evaporation of the benzine forms, with the air, an explosive gas that may be easily ignited by an electric spark. He says: "Ignition of vapor of benzine by electric spark is well known to dyers in their process for cleaning silks and other fabrics by boiling in large cauldrons of liquid benzine. When the goods are taken out of the cauldron and spread out to dry on a table explosions have often taken place, and I believe it is quite certain that an electric spark, caused by some slight friction between dried and partially dried portions of the fabrics, is the incendiary." Since the absence of a flame or a fire in a room does not insure immunity from these terrible accidents the ladies had better resort to the use of some other agent for cleaning the hair than those, the basis of which is an inflammable liquid that generates a gas easily exploded by an electric spark.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR DECEMBER 5.

Lesson Text: "Christ's Humility and Exaltation," Phil. ii., 1-11—Golden Text: Phil. ii., 5—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

1. "If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies." Consolation here is literally "one called to your side," and comfort is "one speaking beside you." So we might read, "If there is anything in Christ being ever with you and ever talking to you, and in having the constant companionship and guidance and teaching of the Holy Spirit, if there is anything in the tenderness and compassion of the Father manifested in the Son by the Spirit, then let it be seen in you to the glory of God that Christ may be magnified."

2. "Fulfill ye my joy, that ye be like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind." Oneness of the members of the body in the service of the head is something greatly desired by our blessed Lord, as is very manifest in His prayer in John xvii., and it will also be the great desire of all who are fully one with Him. Not only does He comfort us with the assurance, "As the Father have loved Me, so have I loved you," but He also adds, "This is My commandment, that ye love one another as I have loved you" (John xv., 9, 12).

3. "Let nothing be done through strife or vain glory, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves." Another reading is, "In nothing follow self seeking." Jeremiah said to his scribe, Baruch: "Seekest though great things for thyself? Seek them not" (Jer. xvi., 5). Although the whole land was Abram's and not Lot's, yet rather than have strife Abram told Lot to take his choice and go whither he would. When the Philistines strove for the wells which Isaac had reopened, Isaac did not resist, but kept on yielding until there was room for all and the strife ceased (Gen. xiii., 8, 9; xxvi., 22).

4. "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others." Not enviously, as some would pervert it, but desiring the welfare of others as much as or more than your own. Love seeketh not her own (I Cor. xiii., 5). Let Episcopalians seek and rejoice in the welfare of Methodists, and so Methodists of Baptists, Baptists of Presbyterians, and so one, all uniting heartily to seek the honor of the Head in the completion of His body, the church, which has no name but Christ (I Cor. xii., 12, 13).

5. "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His (Rom. viii., 9). Now, every penitent sinner who truly receives Christ receives also the Spirit of Christ, but some are more controlled by and manifest more of that Spirit than others. It is the privilege of every believer to be filled with the Spirit (Eph. v., 18), and led by the Spirit and to walk in the Spirit, and when one is only willing to have no will but the will of God, no choice but God's choice, no way but God's way, no service but what He appoints, God will quickly fill that one with His Spirit and continue to fill him day by day and moment by moment.

6. "Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God." Another reading is, "Deemed not his equality with God a thing to grasp at." He was not always saying: "I am God; I created all things; I own the universe; I do as I please in heaven and on earth, and therefore you must bow to Me, and if you don't I will make you, for I have all power." Those who are always grasping at their position as if they might lose it, or at least some of the honor belonging to it, are very small people, or people of very small minds, whatever their position may be.

7. "But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant and was made in the likeless of man." He took not on Him the nature of angels, which would have been a very great humiliation, but as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise took part of the same (Heb. ii., 14, 16). He emptied Himself of the glory which He had with the Father before the world was, and consented to endure the limitations of a mortal body for over thirty-three years—not only so, but he consented to endure such limitation under the most limited of earthly conditions, such as the manger at Bethlehem, the humble home and the carpenter's shop at Nazareth.

8. "And being found in fashion as a man He humbled Himself and be came obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and give His life a ransom for many (Math. xx., 28). He consented to be despised and slandered and misunderstood, persecuted, blindfolded, buffeted, spit upon, scourged, led as a lamb to the slaughter, crucified.

9. "Wherefore also God hath highly exalted Him and given Him a name which is above every name." He is now at God's right hand, with the Father on His throne (Rev. iii., 21), and in due time all kings shall fall down before Him and all nations serve Him (Pa. lxxii., 11). By His work and by that alone, which He has finished without help from man, eternal life is freely given to every one who receives Him, and a share in His glory and a place on His throne (John xvii., 22; Rev. iii., 21).

10. "That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth." And so it shall come to pass, for God has purposed it. "The Lord of Hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass, and as I have purposed, so shall it stand" (Isa. xiv., 24). John saw the consummation of it in his vision when he heard every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, saying, "Blessing and honor and glory and power be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever" (Rev. v., 13). There is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we may be saved.

11. "And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." It shall surely be, to the everlasting comfort and bliss of some and to the everlasting woe of others. Saved and unsaved shall all confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. The saved shall rejoice in Him as their Lord, while the unsaved shall have to confess Him as Lord to their everlasting confusion, but in each God will be glorified. See II Cor. ii., 15, 16. A good test as to whether we are now honoring Him as Lord is seen in verse 14 of our lesson chapter. If by the Spirit we have confessed Him as our Lord and daily do so, there can be in our lives no murmuring or disputing, no strife or envy. He is not Lord of these things.—Lesson Helper.

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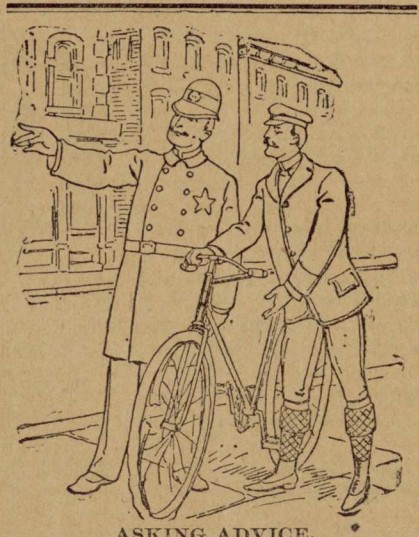
Fortunes in Laces.

Large sums of money are represented by fine old laces. It is said that the Astors own lace worth $3,000,000, and that the Vanderbilts value theirs at $4,000,000. The pope is content with only $75,000 represented in lace, and the Princess of Wales boasts a collection worth $250,000.



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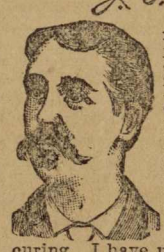

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CLIFTON NEWTON.

Silver is the wheel of time. Just let 'er roll.

Mark Hanna will ride his party or get a good job.

If gold raised the price of wheat what lowered the price of cotton? We guess it is Republican prosperity.

Hon. John L. Cobb, ex-state treasurer of Alabama, died at his home in Montgomery on the night of Nov. 24th, aged 56 years. He had been prominent in business circles for years.

Topers may take warning from the fate of the score of men who died this week near Maplesville as a result of drinking wood alcohol. It would ultimately have been as bad if they had drank whiskey, for all alcoholic drinks eventually shorten life.

Charles L. McCormack, foreman of the T. C. I. & R. R Co.'s Robertstown furnaces at Bessemer, shot himself through the heart in his sleeping room at Bessemer about 10:30 o'clock Monday morning, 29th ult. It is thought the shot was accidental. The deceased was a brother of G. B. McCormack, general manager of the T. C. I. & R. R. Co. at Birmingham.

TRUE OF BOTH RACES.

At the recent meeting of colored Presbyterian ministers in this city, the Rev. L. J. Washington, while making a strong plea for the education of his race, said:

"The negro has the power of the ballot in his hand. With this power and uneducated, the negro race is a curse to the country. An ignorant man has no more business with the ballot than has a monkey with the Word of God."

This is a golden utterance and it should be kept before the people. It is not applicable to the blacks alone; it applies with equal force to the whites. It is a disgraceful farce to allow hundreds of thousands of men in this country to vote when they cannot read their ballots. It is dangerous folly to allow the vote of an illiterate negro or white man to kill the ballot of an educated and patriotic citizen.

Corrupt men and demagogues will always control the votes of the ignorant, whether they are white or black. Washington is right. The ballot in the hands of an ignorant man is a curse to the country. When intelligent negroes admit this it should cause the whites to make an effort to reform the evil.—Age-Herald.

Gov. Johnson returned to Montgomery Monday from Baltimore, where he has been for a week with Mrs. Johnson, whom he reports as already greatly relieved by the Johns Hopkins treatment, and that she will be entirely restored to her usual good health before a great while.

A HEAVY CORPSE.

San Francisco, Nov 29—Mrs Theresa Cardoza, a well known resident of this city, who died on Saturday, was buried yesterday in the Italian cemetery. She weighed over 600 pounds, and the undertakers had to break down the stairs of her late residence in order to lower the body into the hall. A special casket bound with iron was constructed for the remains, and as it was too large for any hearse in the city it was taken to the cemetery in a heavy express wagon. Mrs Cardoza had been married twice and leaves five children, the youngest being eighteen months old.

SOME GOOD USES OF "IF."

Chicago News.

If there is nothing in a man opportunity never troubles him.

If beauty was taxable there would be no delinquents among the fair sex.

If women are ever elected to congress there will be more than one speaker of the house.

If some men had to work in order to obtain a living they wouldn't live very long.

If your wife had it to do over again the chances are she would never marry you.

If there were anything in a name we might plant bird seed and expect to harvest a crop of birds.

If the shoe fits wear it—unless you are a woman, then, of course, you will want a size or two smaller.

If the wife could make biscuits like her husband's mother used to make and the husband would buy his wife clothes like her father use to buy, few marriages would be failures.

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By far the prettiest and most enjoyable entertainment of the season was the "Thanksgiving Service" of the Nautilus Club in the college chapel last Thursday evening.

The musical numbers were beautifully rendered by the most talented young ladies in the school: the literary features unexcelled. The exercises were opened with prayer by Rev. M. P. Reynolds, followed by a responsive reading of the 136th Psalm. "America" was patriotically sung by the club and audience, and the roll call was answered with a Thanksgiving quotation by each member.

The president, Miss Margaret McArdle, in a prettily worded address, welcomed their friends and explained the object of the club, and the following programme was quite entertaining:

Reading of governor's proclamation, Miss Morrow.

Vocal solo, Miss Lum.

Reading, Miss Bozeman.

Recitation, Miss Robinson.

An original story, Miss Coates.

Vocal selection, Miss Brown.

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History of Thanksgiving, Miss Lenoir.

Thanksgiving hymn, Club.

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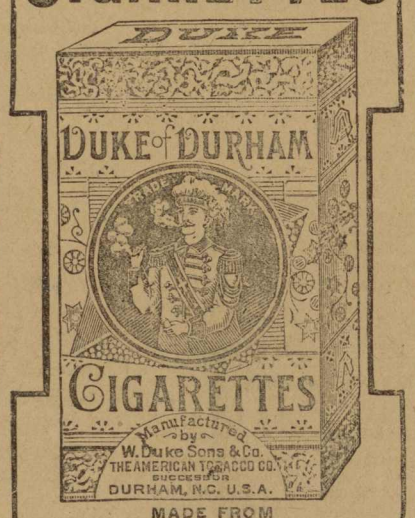

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Miss Bessie Hoskins, of Aldrich, was in the city Sunday.

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Mr. Richard Weaver, of Maylene, was in the city Saturday.

The NEWS is here to stay. We expect a new outfit soon.

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Mr. Burgess Little spent Friday night in Blocton on business.

Henry Pitts attended Uncle Sam's court at Birmingham last week.

Mr. Louis Bowden made a business trip to Birmingham Friday.

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Mr. James Roebuck went to Columbiana on legal business Monday.

Attorney Arthur Leeper, of Columbiana, was in the city Saturday.

The editor is taking a special course at the Brierfield Normal College.

Friends, we make mistakes and will thank you when you tell us of them.

Mr. M. Wolowitz, of Birmingham, visited his son, Michael, here last week.

Our advertisers are up to date. It will pay you to see them before buying.

Messrs. W. L. Hubbard and John Bell, of Brierfield, were in town last Saturday

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Mr. G. D. Mitchell spent Saturday and Sunday with his family at Blocton

Mr. Jim Milender, a cattle buyer from Birmingham, was in town this week.

Mr. John Carlisle left a few days ago on a visit to his mother at Talladega.

The wedding bells will ring on the South Side in the near future. Guess who.

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Messrs. A. G. Battle and John McKinney, of Six Mile, were in the city Monday.

Mr. C. D. Lawrence, of Selma, representing Clay & Hubbard, was in town Monday.

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Mr. S. A. Curry, one of Chilton county's most prosperous farmers, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Marion Caldwell, of Bismark, spent Saturday and Sunday in Blocton with his father's family.

Dr. John Goodwin, dentist, of Sloan, Ala., was in town Monday, and gave us a pleasant call.

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Mr, Walter Carlisle returned to Montevallo Sunday, after an absence of several weeks in Talladega.

Mr. J. E. J. Walters, representing the Lanier Broom Manufacturing Co. of Blocton, was in town Friday.

Mr. F. S. Rice, representing E. E. Forbes, Birmingham, was in town Tuesday, enroute to Centreville.

Capt. D. W. Shivers left Thursday of last week for Gallion, Ala., his old home, to recuperate his health.

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Cotton is brought here from Birmingham. There have been several bales brought here from the Birmingham district this season.

Messrs. Cary and Killough returned from their hunt on the Warrior river last Thursday. They report killing six deer and four turkeys.

The NEWS was misinformed last week about Mr. Dolf Banks going to Texas. He went to Talladega, but returned to Montevallo Friday.

Mr. J. E. Wilkinson, Jr., of Prattville, Ala., after spending a week with his brother, Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, of our town, returned home Monday.

Mr. Zeke Fancher, who has been in Texas for several years, returned home Sunday, accompanied by his wife and baby. Zeke's many friends are glad to see him back.

Mr. B. F. Barbour, who did the plumbing work for the Industrial school, is in town this week winding up his work. While here he gave the NEWS office a pleasant call.

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Mr. W. H. Abernathy, of Birmingham, representing Arbuckle Bros., of New York, was in town Monday. Mr. Abernathy is a brother of Rev. P. L. Abernathy, of our town.

Mr. J. W. Little, one of the Southern's most popular railroad men, was in the city Saturday. Wes is a clever boy, and his many friends in Montevallo are always glad to shake his hand.

Mr. P. Burnett, of Uniontown, Ala., is visiting his daughter, who is a pupil at the Industrial school. Mr. Burnett gave us a pleasant call yesterday, and ordered the NEWS sent to his address.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says. "My child is worth millions to me: yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Rev. P. L. Abernathy left Monday for Florence, where the annual conference of the M. E. Church, South, convened yesterday. It is earnestly hoped that Bro. Abernathy will be sent back here next year.

Capt. H. C. Reynolds returned yesterday from a trip to Tuskegee and Selma. He anticipates a full attendance of the trustees of the Girls' Industrial school to-morrow, including Gov. Johnston and Congressman Plowman.

At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of Spring Hill Academy, Pickens county, Miss Melissa Thornton, a pupil of the Girls' Industrial school, was elected to fill a vacancy in that school caused by the death of Elder M. G. Lofton.

Mr. E. S. Ambrose, of Bismark, was in the city Monday. He told us that he had bought out the livery stable at Blocton recently owned by R. H. Hubbard, and that he took charge last Friday. We wish him success in his new venture.

Mr. L. Hacker, one of our merchants, went to Birmingham Sunday via Calera, and then went to Blocton Monday, where he remained for several days. He left his store in charge of his clerk, Michael Wolowitz, who will keep the business straight.

The Lanier Broom Manufacturing Co. of Blocton, Ala., shipped 165 dozen brooms to Birmingham merchants last week. They make the best brooms for less money than can be had elsewhere. It would pay our merchants to write them for prices. See their "ad" in this issue

The four Birmingham sports who drove a drag into Montevallo on Thanksgiving day got the cold shoulder for reasons which they doubtless understood and appreciated afterwards. They were not in such "high spirits" when they "dragged" themselves back.

The NEWS doesn't propose to give advice to the farmers of Shelby county. We know they know more about farming than we do. But we ask them where are they? We would like for them to get together and see if they can't do something to better their condition. We would suggest a club.

Dr. John Goodwin called at our office Tuesday and showed us some curious specimens of teeth which he extracted from some of his patients. One of the teeth was a peculiar looking object. The lower molar showed the salivary calculus deposited on it in a lump one inch long and one half inch thick. He has another tooth ate out with sanguinary tartar. These teeth are peculiar specimens, and if you meet with the doctor you would do yourself justice to see them, for he is always willing to show these curiosities, and any time you have any trouble with your teeth you will do well to have Dr. Goodwin examine them, as he charges nothing for examination.

Married, at Concord church, on Thanksgiving day, Mr. William Fancher, of Centreville, and Miss Lula Eddings, of Dry Valley. The church was handsomely decorated, and the doors and windows were closed, and the house beautifully illuminated. Immediately after the ceremony the happy young couple left for Centreville, their future home, followed by the good wishes of all present.

Felix Dotson, the barber, was arrested week before last for carrying concealed weapons and using profane language in the hearing of females. He gave bond for his appearance at court, and his case was set for last Thursday. Dotson and his witnesses went to Columbiana Thursday morning, and he was tried in the county court and came clear of the concealed weapon case, but was convicted of using profane language in the hearing of females, although the female witness against him testified that she did not hear any profane language used.

When asked for information in regard to the case, the above facts were given us by Dotson and one of his witnesses.

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DORMITORY NOTES.

Did you see Mamie's new ring?

Gone crazy yourself, you loony.

Look out, girls, the infirmary is ready.

Isn't it strange how fond some people are of ambrosia?

Turkey! Gobbler! Turkey! Goose! Geese! Goose!

Mn mn mn—i i—sign, "Kitty." Ha, ha—O. K. Good-bye.

Burgess don't think it's fair for Captain to cash all the checks.

Only three weeks until Christmas, and the girls are beginning to wonder how long will be the holiday vacation. I wonder?

Didn't the girls look pretty last Thursday in their uniforms? Those Oxford caps certainly become the happy, smiling faces.

Mrs. W. E. Flemming, of Montgomery, was here Monday to see her daughter, Miss Mannie Bell, one of the pretty Dormitory girls.

The steps or stiles over the college ground fence have been replaced by pretty gates. Girls, don't prop the gates open and let the pigs in, please.

The latest beverage invented by the young ladies of the Girls' Industrial school is known as "cafe a la selle." It is coffee salted instead of sugared.

Some of the fair students at the Girls' Industrial school would like to know the name of the "mean, horrid thing" who substituted quinine for tooth powder.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Calloway, of Snowdon, enroute to Birmingham, stopped over a few hours Tuesday with their daughter, Miss Inda, who is a pupil in the institute.

The recital Saturday night by Miss Adele Barnett for the school girls at the chapel was quite a success. Miss Barnett is an artist, and Miss Bessie Hoskins, of Aldrich, sings very sweetly.

The Board of Trustees of the Girls' Industrial school will meet in our city to-morrow to review the workings of the school. They are sure to be royally entertained and greatly interested

If those young men or boys who go around making night hideous with their tin horns and pans would "cheese their racket," the citizens of Montevallo would appreciate it. Boys, it's not Christmas yet.

The three literary societies of the Girls' Industrial school held a called meeting Tuesday evening to arrange for united action on a Christmas programme. Great things may be expected from them during the coming holidays.

Miss Veda King, who has lately been travelling in Guatemala, arrived here last Saturday night and enrolled herself as a pupil at the Girls' Industrial school. Her new school mates keep her busy telling tales of her travels, of which they never seem to weary.

The Thanksgiving service at the chapel last Thursday was very pretty. The sermon by Rev P L Abernathy was a masterpiece. The solos of Miss Lum and Mr Will Abernathy were very sweet, as was also the quartette, "Pilot Me," by Mrs Cothran, Miss Crumpton, and Messrs Gibson and Abernathy.

Mrs. DeYampert, after spending several days with her daughter, Miss Linda, at the Dormitory, left Monday for her home in Montgomery, much to the regret of the many friends she has made. The visits of such charming and intelligent ladies as she always make us proud and happy, and we are loth to bid them adieu.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. F. F. Crowe & Co.

BRIERFIELD DOTS.

Hello! how is this for good times? The long looked-for wane of prosperity has come and gone, and the long faces are to be seen in the country villages.

Cotton down, down, is the cry.

Prof Gibbons took in the marriage at Concord church Thanksgiving day between Mr W E Fancher, Jr., and Miss Lula Eddings, and reports a grand time. Rev F M Wood, of Jemison, officiated.

The school took holiday in the afternoon on Thanksgiving.

B M Large went to Six Mile Friday night, and came back all smiles.

Rev P L Abernathy preached his last sermon Sunday. Subject—"I know my Redeemer liveth." Hope conference will send him back.

The literary society gave our people a nice time in the shape of an entertainment last Friday evening.

Messrs. Joe Walker and E. E. Woodard are back in school after a long absence on account of sickness. Mr. Woodard spoke of going back to Tennessee when he began to recover, but he said he came to go to school, and is doing all O. K.

Rev. Jos. R. Wells has gone to Riverside.

The school is moving along nicely.

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Witness my hand, at office, this 8th day of November, 1897.

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How much the heart may bear, and yet not break!
How much the flesh may suffer, and not die!
I question much if any pain or ache
Of soul or body brings our end more nigh.
Death chooses his own time; till that is sworn
All evils may be borne.

We shrink and shudder at the surgeon's knife.
Each nerve recoiling from the cruel steel,
Whose edge seems searching for the quivering life;
Yet to our sense the bitter pangs reveal
That still, although the trembling flesh be torn,
This also can be borne.

We see a sorrow rising in our way,
And try to flee from the approaching ill;
We seek some small escape; we weep and pray;
But when the blow falls, then our hearts are still;
Not that the pain is of its sharpness shorn,
But that it can be borne.

We wind our life about another life;
We hold it closer, dearer, than our own.
Anon it faints and fails in deathly strife.
Leaving us stunned and stricken and alone;
But, ah! we do not die with those we mourn;
This also can be borne.

Behold! we live through all things—famine. thirst,
Bereavement, pain; all grief and misery,
All woe and sorrow; life inflicts its worst
On soul and body—but we cannot die.
Though we be sick, and tired and faint, and worn—
Lo, all things can be borne!
—E. A. Allen in Chicago Standard.

Brought to Time.

BY MARION E. PICKERING.

Jerry Sanborn wheeled his shining new tandem out of the woodshed and carefully propped it against the piazza railing. Then he strode across the yard, shading his eyes with both sunburned hands, and peered intently at a snug farmhouse nestling against the neighboring hill.

"Tilly's got home from Sandport. That's her pink gown a-flittin' in and out of the garden. Now if I can only wheedle her into takin' a mornin' ride we'll see who's master of the situation. Two years now she's been puttin' me off in that bewitchin' way of her'n, and I'm tired of it. I hain't been spendin' my winter evenin's readin' up about Napoleon Bonaparte and General Taylor and all of them other determined fellers for nuthin'. I've been altogether too meachin'. It's high time I put my foot down and made Tilly come to reason, and I'm a-goin' to do it!"

Jerry set his jaws grimly, sprang astride the saddle, whirled rapidly down the winding road and soon presented himself, cap in hand, at the door of the Morgan homestead. Tilly herself appeared promptly, her comely face alive with dimples and her bright blue eyes dancing with mirth.

"Took a run over to show you this new machine o' mine," announced Jerry, with a sidewise wave of the hand.

"I saw you coming up the hill," responded Tilly demurely. "You looked for all the world like a big, long-legged grasshopper,"—with an irrepressible giggle.

"I only wish you darst try it a bit and see what an easy runnin' concern it is," pursued Jerry, a sudden flush mantling his broad forehead and losing itself in his curly locks. "But, of course, 'twould be risky, considerin' you ain't used to it," he added apologetically.

"Humph! There's never been a colt on the place that I couldn't bridle and ride, and 'tisn't likely I'm afraid of a newfangled contrivance like that," replied Tilly loftily.

"Well, I s'pose you might try it, but I warn you it's dangerous business," hesitated Jerry. "You have to take in sail a bit," with a critical glance at her newly starched gingham. Tilly darted upstairs and soon appeared in a trim walking skirt, with a jaunty Tam O'Shanter pinned securely to her shining brown braids.

After a few preliminary failures, she was securely seated and the tandem glided smoothly along the shady country road. Tilly sat erect, firmly grasping the handle bars with her plump fingers and thoroughly enjoyed the novel experience.

"Pshaw! This is as easy as riding old Roan to plow. Now I'm going home to finish my ironing."

"No, you're not, Tilly Morgan. You won't go home until you have given a plain answer to the question I have been askin', off and on, for two years or more," announced Jerry peremptorily, while his heart thumped heavily against his ribs and the roar of the Atlantic seemed surging in his ears. "Steady there!" as Tilly gave an indignant bounce that threatened to capsize the wheel.

"Jeremiah Sanborn, I'll never speak to you again! There's Uncle Moses and Aunt Debby and Dan out in their dooryard. I'll call for help as true as I live if you don't stop this minute," scolded Tilly.

"They can't catch up," replied Jerry coolly, gradually increasing speed.

Despite her valiant threat, Tilly sailed by the open mouthed trio with flaming cheeks and downcast eyes.

There was a long silence, while the tandem bowled merrily along. The perspiration streamed from Jerry's crimson forehead. The sun was mounting higher, the road was up grade, and Tilly was no lightweight.

"Jerry," she faltered at length coaxingly, "please take me home.

"You know the condition. Reckon we'll reach Centreville by noon at the rate we're spinning," vouchsafed Jerry uncompromisingly.

Another prolonged silence.

"Jerry!"

"Well?"

"What do you want me to say?"

"I want you to name the day when you will come and be mistress of the little home I've had ready and waitin' for you for a year and a half," said Jerry, sternly.

Tilly glanced about her uneasily. Far in the distance she could see the glittering church spires of Centreville.

"This is too ridiculous, Jerry."

"Well?"

"Will June 15 suit you?"

"Perfectly. Dismount and rest in the shade for a few minutes, and I will take you home at once."

Tilly meekly seated herself on a grassy rock beneath a hugh oak and covertly watched Jerry from beneath her long lashes. He was apparently engrossed in flecking every possible grain of dust from the shining spokes of the tandem, but his eyes shone with a triumphant light.

The long run home was performed in dignified silence.

Tilly sprung lightly to her feet. "I think you're just as m-mean as you can be, Jerry Sanborn," she sobbed as she flew into the house and slammed the door.

Safely inside, she hurried to the parlor and peeped through the blind. Jerry, with erect head and shoulders squared, was speeding down the hill, his long legs performing most extraordinary gyrations.

"My, wasn't he masterful, though! That's all I ever had against Jerry, he was too tame. If I said A, he had to say B, and so on through the whole alphabet. Now I'll get dinner out of the way and begin hemming my table linen."

And with a song on her lips Tilly whisked on a fresh apron, vigorously stirring the fire and darted down the cellar stairs after the potatoes.—Wheelman.

THE POLICE ROLL OF HONOR.

The Heroes of a Month - Drowning and Runaway Horses the Principal Source.

Hon. Theodore Roosevelt writes for the October Century an article entitled "The Roll of Honor of the New York Police." Mr. Roosevelt says:

Perhaps the best way to convey an idea of why we awarded medals is to give a list of the men thus rewarded for two months. In October, 1895, we, on the 1st of the month, awarded a medal to a patrolman for peculiar gallantry in stopping a runaway horse under circumstances which made the act one of great danger to himself, and which doubtless resulted in saving the lives of those in the vehicle. The patrolman thus rewarded was also later made a roundsman, and put in charge of the bicycle squad, our attention having been first called to him by this act. On the same day we gave honorable mention, but without a certificate or medal, to three other officers; one had also stopped a runaway horse; another had rescued a man from drowning, and the third had arrested an insane man armed with a revolver, under circumstances which went to show that the officer's coolness and presence of mind saved both himself and the onlookers from death or injury at the hands of the armed maniac. On the 8th of the month we gave a medal to an officer who had rescued a boy from drowning by plunging into the water between the wharf and the steamer from which the boy fell, at the imminent risk of being crushed to death between the two, a fate from which he and the rescued boy were saved purely by his pluck and his skill as a swimmer. Honorable mention was made of two other officers—one for rescuing a boy from drowning and one for stopping a runaway horse. On the 15th yet another officer received honorable mention for saving a man from drowning; and on the 22nd a sergeant and two patrolmen were commended for the coolness and skill they displayed in stopping a prize fight and arresting both the participants and the spectators, though they were an uncommonly tough crowd, and showed immediate fight.

Unique Punishment for Prisoners.

A new and unique mode of punishing prisoners at the city jail who break the rules of the institution was announced recently at a meeting of the board of visitors of the jail. The prisoner is compelled to stand erect on a barrel in the jail yard, in sight of the other prisoners, for one hour for the violation of any rule. The time is lengthened for the second offence. The board considers it a more humane and at the same time more effective manner of punishing offenders than keeping them in their cells with ball and chain to their feet, with simply bread and water for nourishment. The plan so far has worked satisfactorily, and has been the means of improving the discipline at the place.—Baltimore American.

There are four millionaires in England to one in France.

CIVILIZED CANNIBALS.

Some Interesting Facts About the Battaks of the Island of Sumatra.

Sumatra is one of the largest islands in the world, and has a population of 8,000,000. Respecting some of the tribes of the interior hardly anything is known, inasmuch as the island had been crossed by white men only two or three times. The immediate neighbors of the Acheenese are the Battaks, a most interesting race of cannibals, who are quite civilized in their way, having a written language of their own. They know how to make firearms, even boring their gun barrels. Also they carve gun stocks in correct style, and are acquainted with the art of making powder. They find their own sulphur and saltpetre, using pieces of bamboo for cartridge cases and bits of coral for bullets. They are excellent agriculturists, and raise cattle. In addition they are clever gold and silver smiths, making filigree work and weaving gold thread.

The Battaks only eat prisoners of war or bad criminals. Formerly the habit of cannibalism among them was universal, and human flesh used to be sold in the country in open market, some chiefs eating it daily as a matter of liking. It is considered the greatest possible insult to a foe or punishment to a person guilty of a grievous crime to eat him. Besides the question of economy is considered. At a feast it was cheaper to slaughter six slaves at 100 guilders than to kill six buffaloes at 150 guilders. When a distinguished person died two individuals customarily went through a lot of buffooneries at the graveside, after which they were killed and laid in the excavation, the coffin being placed on top of them. Cannibalism is more or less mixed up with the religion of these people, who have their wizards and witch doctors to practice incantations.

The Battaks build houses of planks and strong beams, placing them on piles for the advantage thus given in defending them. Many of their villages are on almost inaccessible pinnacles in the hills, favorite spots being little plateaus formed by the broadening of a mountain range. Commonly they are surrounded by palisades, with watch towers. Much art and industry is put into the carving and painting of the woodwork of the houses. An outbuilding serves as a sleeping place and council house, rice being stored in the upper part. No light is kept at night for fear of attracting ghosts, but in emergency candles of resin are used. Communal houses serve as sleeping places for the unmarried men, sometimes 100 of them together. Here are hung up the heads of slain enemies and other trophies.

Nearly all of the highest peaks in Sumatra are volcanoes, and most of these are active. In the immediate neighborhood of these mighty chimneys, which hurl out masses of ashes and stone, are the fertile lowlands, with a dense population. The destruction of 40,000 human lives by the eruption of Sumbawa in 1815, and the washing away of 16,000 people by "tidal waves," following the eruption of Krakato in 1883 are not solitary instances.—New York Sun.

The Largest Crane.

Absolutely the greatest mechanical giant in the world is now lifting stone on a new sea wall on the north coast of Scotland. Not even the monster cranes used for lifting the governmental great guns can compare with this Titan, as it is called. It is capable of lifting 100 tons, and it could pick up a modern locomotive with as much ease as the same locomotive draws a train of cars. It could lift the cubic contents of 100 carloads and strew them over a wide section of the landscape. Its daily work is the placing in position of fifty-ton blocks of granite, of which the new sea wall at Peterhead is being built.

The length of its arms, reaching out from the central point of support, is exactly 100 feet, and it can set a sixty-ton block in the sea 100 feet deep and 72 feet from the outer edge of the masonry wall. This long arm is balanced by a shorter weight arm that carries the engine house, with the machinery for moving the Titan forward or backward on a railroad set into the finished masonry, and to run out or in on the long arm a traveling car from which are suspended the four-sheaved blocks through which is received the cable that lifts the great pieces of stone. The Titan itself weighs 700 tons, and is built of steel. The long arm swings about on a turntable, just as a bridge swings over a river. The wall which it builds and then travels over as it slowly advances into the sea is nearly 50 feet wide.—Los Angeles (Cal.) Times.

Breaking Up and Breaking Down.

"A man may be all broken up," said Mr. Billtops, "and yet not be broken down at all. Grief breaks us up, but we get over that, while a break down may mean a collapse, with recovery doubtful or difficult. In cold climates where ice forms in winter the rivers break up in the spring, and they are all in a turmoil then, but when summer comes they flow along placidly. So it is with us. We may be all broken up and get over it, but a break down is quite another matter.—New York Sun.

IN THE LEADING PULPITS

DR. TALMAGE DISCOURSES UPON "GOD AMONG THE SHELLS."

Rev. William H. Lewis, of Bridgeport, Conn., Discourses Upon "The Gift of Religious Consciousness" — All Men Are Possessed of Spiritual Capacity.

The New York Herald has offered a prize of $1000 for the best sermon, and three subsidiary prizes aggregating $1000 additional for the three next best sermons. Ministers of all denominations have been invited to compete for these prizes, and the sermons offered in competition will appear in the Herald's Sunday edition. Rev. William H. Lewis, D. D., whose name is appended to the initiatory sermon, is rector of St. John's, the largest and most fashionable Episcopal parish in Bridgeport, Conn., and is considered one of the ablest preachers. His subject is: "The Gift of Religious Consciousness," and the sermon in full is as follows:

TEXT: "And another came, saying, Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin, for I feared thee, because thou art an austere man. * * * And he saith up to him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, thou wicked servant."—St. Luke xix., 20-22.

The lord of the parable, about to go away into a "far country," had given to each of his servants a certain amount to make use of while he was away. For these three the amount given is specified, but to all his servants he gave something. "To each man," the parable says, "according to his several ability." Only three are specially designated, because they serve as sufficient illustrations of the highest, the medium and the lowest gift. Each receiver seems to have known that the amount handed him was not a gift outright, but a trust, and that his lord would eventually come back and make an accounting. Each, therefore, treated his trust according to the opinion he held of his lord.

The substance of the parable is evidently this—that in every man living there is implanted a certain spiritual capacity or ability; that men have this capacity in degree, so that one has clear and distinct ideas of God and his duty, another has less, and another almost none at all. But the trust of a spiritual instinct or consciousness, and of a conscience which recognizes this consciousness, belongs to all. None is so low in the scale of humanity that the thought of God does not somehow enter into his life; and whoever has this gift has also the intelligence to know that he has it, and to ask himself, at least once in his life, if only once, what he shall do with it.

With this consciousness of God and this conscience there comes a sense of responsibility; and with that there comes a certainty of judgment. We indorse the reasoning of the parable when we excuse the man of small capacity by saying that he does not know any better; of another, that he ought to have known better, and of a third, that he did know better; and the popular judgment condemns each man with a severity according to his gift of capacity, his conscience, his educated or uneducated sense of the value of the gift which determines his use of it, and the very worst sin of all in the popular judgment is to have made no use of the gift. It was the servant who knew his gift and his lord, even though he knew him wrongly, and then made no use of his gift, who excited his lord's anger.

Make much of the thought, for it has much in it. If we grant the universal consciousness of God and the universal conscience, then every one is bound to conduct himself always under pressure of the thought that one day he will be called upon to answer to God for his use of these capacities. If a man only recognizes God by taking His name in vain, that is a recognition. And in actual fact there are many people who excuse themselves in their neglect of religion on the very grounds on which this man of the parable rested his defence—viz., harsh and distorted ideas of God and religion. They do not see that logically a man with harsh ideas of God ought to be the stricter in his life for that, if he shapes his conduct by his theory and if he expects God to judge him by his own confession. If my whole idea of religion is that it is such a straight and narrow way that I cannot walk in it without help from above, and, knowing that I must walk in it if I would be saved, I have yet never sought that help, shall I care to plead this neglect as an excuse when I come to stand before a righteous judge? Whether the napkin in which we tie up our religious consciousness be clean and white with the starch and bluing and ironing of a self-satisfied morality or filthy with the stains of every self-indulgence will make no difference with the fact that we tied it up and buried it. When capital combines for selfish purposes we know what to say of it; when an anarchist wants a division of capital for his own benefit we can deal with him. But when a man puts his thousands in an old stocking and hides it under his chimney hearth we simply call him a miser—a miserable one. He may plead that he had no faith in banks, but we condemn him nevertheless. Again the common judgment illustrates the parable.

In some shops you may find a device to keep check upon business transactions. A little disc springs up in full sight of buyer, seller and employer, records the price and drops out of sight again. But at the close of the day, when the accounting is made, the registry is there and the balance must agree with that. A man's conscience is like this—every thought of God and duty that comes into mind is on record there—a good thought, or a mistaken thought, or a bad thought, it held up its signal for a moment in the presence of all who cared to look and made its unalterable record of what was done. When the time comes the judges—God and conscience, and even the popular judgment—will be at the count, as they now are at the transaction. He is a daring thief who with these three looking on can try to take money out of the box and throw up a blank. Every thought of God and duty is a talent, a pound, bringing with it a demand for interest upon the original capital of God's first gift of spiritual consciousness and conscience. When the day of reckoning comes we shall be condemned by every opportunity we have had to know and to do better. No belief can possibly warrant neglect. Whatever we think of God we are bound to do something.

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THE SHELLS IN THE BIBLE.

Dr. Talmage Draws an Interesting Lesson From Them.

Dr. T. De Witt Talmage delivered in Washington a sermon on "God Everywhere." The subject of the sermon was "Conchology of the Bible, or God Among the Shells," as found in the text, Exodus xxx., 34: "And the Lord said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte and onycha."

You may not have noticed the shells of the Bible, he said, although in this early part of the second book God calls you to consider and employ them, as He called Moses to consider and employ them. The onycha of my text is a shell found on the banks of the Red Sea, and Moses and his army must have crushed many of them under foot as they crossed the bisected waters, onycha on the beach and onycha in the unfolded bed of the deep.

I shall speak of this shell as a beautiful and practical revelation of God, and as true as the first chapter of Genesis and the last chapter of Revelations or everything between. Not only is this shell, the onycha, found in the Red Sea, but in the waters of India. It not only delectates the eye with its convolution of beauty, white and lustrous, and seriated, but blesses the nostrils with a pungent aroma. I spoke to you last Sabbath of God in the great; now I speak of God in the small, God in the infinite, and God in the infinitesimal.

It is a secret that you may keep for me, that in all the realms of the natural world there is nothing for me so fascinating, so completely absorbing, so full of divine suggestiveness as a shell. What? More entertaining than a bird, which can sing, when a shell cannot sing? Well, there you have made a great mistake. Pick up the onycha from the banks of the Red Sea, or pick up a bivalve from the beach of the Atlantic Ocean, and listen, and you hear a whole choir of marine voices—bass, alto, soprano—in an unknown tongue, but seeming to chant, as I put them to my ear, "The sea is His and He made it."

As the shell is only the house and the wardrobe of insignificant animals of the deep, why all the wonder and beauty of construction? God's care for them is the only reason. And if God provide so munificently for them, will He not see that you have wardrobe and shelter? Wardrobe and shelter for a periwinkle; shall there not be wardrobe and shelter for a man? Would God give a coat of mail for the defense of a Nautilus and leave you no defense against the storm? Does He build a stone house for a creature that lasts a season and leave without home a soul that takes hold on centuries and æons?

But while you get this pointed lesson of providential care from the shelled creatures of the deep, notice in their construction that God helps them to help themselves. This house of stone in which they live is not dropped on them and is not built around them. The material for it exudes from their own bodies and is adorned with a colored fluid from the pores of their own neck. It is a most interesting thing to see these crustacean animals fashion their own homes out of carbonate of lime and membrane. And all of this is a mighty lesson to those who are waiting for others to build their fortunes, when they ought to go to work and, like the mollusks, build their own fortunes out of their own brain, out of their own sweat, out of their own industries. Not a mollusk on all the beaches of all the seas would have a house of shell if it had not itself built one. Do not wait for others to shelter you or prosper you. All the crustaceous creatures of the earth, from every flake of their covering and from every ridge of their tiny castles on Atlantic and Pacific and Mediterranean coasts, say: "Help yourself, while God helps you to help yourself." Have great expectations from only two persons—God and yourself. Let the onycha of my text become your preceptor.

But the more I examine the shells, the more I am impressed that God is a God of emotion. Many scoff at emotion, and seem to think that God is a God of cold geometry, and iron laws, and eternal apathy, and enthroned stoicism. No, no! The shells with overpowering emphasis deny it. While law and order reign in the universe, you have but to see the lavishness of color on the crustacea, all shades of crimson from the faintest blush to blood of battle-field, all shades of blue, all shades of green, all shades of all colors from deepest black to whitest light, just called out on the shells with no more order than a mother premeditates or calculates how many kisses and hugs she shall give her babe waking up in the morning sunlight. Yes. My God is an emotional God. And He says: "We must have colors and let the sun paint all of them on the scroll of that shell, and we must have music, and here is a carol for the robin, and a psalm for man, and a doxology for the seraphim, and a resurrection trumpet for the archangel. Aye, He showed Himself a God of sublime emotion when He flung Himself on this world in the personality of Christ to save it, without regard to the tears it would take, or the blood it would exhaust, or the agonies it would crush out. When I see the Louvres and the Luxembourgs and the Vaticans of divine painting strewn along the eight thousand miles of coast, and I hear, in a forest, on a summer morning, musical academies and Handel societies of full orchestras, I say God is a God of emotion, and if He observes mathematics, it is mathematics set to music, and His figures are written not in white chalk on blackboards, but written by a finger of sunlight on walls of jasmine and trumpet-creeper.

In my study of the conchology of the Bible, this onycha of the text also impresses me with the fact that religion is perfume. What else could God have meant when He said to Moses: "Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte and onycha. Moses took that shell of the onycha, put it over the fire, and as it crumbled into ashes, it exhaled an odor that hung in every curtain and filled the ancient tabernacle, and its sweet smoke escaped from the sacred precincts and saturated the outside air.

Perfume! That is what religion is. But, instead of that, some make it a mal-odor. They serve God in a rough and acerb way. They box their child's ears because he does not properly keep Sunday, instead of making Sunday so attractive the child could not help but keep it. They make him learn by heart a difficult chapter in the Book of Exodus, with all the hard names because he has been naughty. How many disagreeable good people there are. No one doubts their piety, and they will reach heaven, but they will have to get fixed up before they go there, or they will make trouble by calling out to us, "Keep off that grass!" "What do you mean by plucking that flower?" "Show your tickets!" Oh, how many Christian people need to obey my text, and take into their worship and their behavior and their consociations and presbyteries and general assemblies and conferences more onycha.

But what thrills me with suggestiveness is the material out of which all pearls are made. They are fashioned from the wound of the shellfish. The exudation from that wound is fixed and hardened and enlarged into a pearl. The ruptured vessels of the water animal fashioned the gem that now adorns finger or earring, or sword hilt or king's crown. So, out of the wounds of earth will come the pearls of heaven. Out of the wound of conviction the pearl of pardon. Out of the wound of bereavement the pearl of solace. Out of the wound of loss the pearl of gain. Out of the deep wound of the grave pearl of resurrection joy. Out of the wounds of a Saviour's death, the rich, the radiant, the everlasting pearl of heavenly gladness. "And the twelve gates were twelve pearls." Take the consolation all ye who have been hurt—whether hurt in body or hurt in mind or hurt in soul. Get your troubles sanctified. If you suffer with Christ on earth you will reign with Him in glory.

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

WAGES ADVANCED BY THE MISSOURI PACIFIC

The Battleship Iowa Proves to be the Finest of its Class in the World—Snow Storm in the West—Ravages of Fire—Other News Notes.

The Laurada, held as a filibusterer. has been released.

The city council of Opelika will purchase a lot and erect thereon buildings for a jail, clerk's office, etc.

Pensacola, Fla., had a disastrous fire last week, in which $100,000 worth of merchandise and property was destroyed.

The first snow storm of the season swept over Wisconsin Thursday night in the form of a blizzard, which lasted eight hours.

The forty-seven Austrian stave cutters, sailed from Baltimore on the Lloyd steamer North Star. They were deported.

George Crawford, of Memphis, a brakeman on the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley road, was killed Thursday at Clarksdale, Miss.

The Naval Trial Board is of the opinion that the new battleship Iowa is as one a vessel of her class as the world has ever seen.

Ten of the Mexicans who participated in the lynching of Arroyo, who made an assault on President Diaz, have been sentenced to death.

Mr. Ogilvie, the government surveyor, just returned from a year on the Yukon, reports in January, 1896, a temperature of 68.1 below zero.

A dispatch from Rome reports that a sanguinary conflict has taken place between the French and British at Nikka, in Lagos, Hinterland, Africa.

J. B. Embrey, a farmer, was shot and killed at Mount Sterling, Ky., by his tenant, L. A. Stull. They quarreled over a division of the tobacco crop.

The spread of the bubonic plague shows no signs of abatement at Poonah, Surat and elsewhere, in India. It has extended to Belgium and Ahmedague.

Walthall Camp, Confederate Veterans, of Meridian, Miss., will exhume the bodies of a number of Confederate soldiers whose resting place is in an old common and reinter them in the cemetery.

Governor McLaurin has issued a proclamation ordering an election in Quitman county, Mississippi, on Saturday, December 18, to fill the vacancy in the legislature caused by the death of J. R. Turner.

Fire broke out on the front street of Erin, Tenn., Thursday, destroying in one hour $15,000 worth of property. It was the second fire to visit the city within the past few weeks. Only eight business houses are left standing.

The planing mill of the Providence Lumber Company, in East Carroll parish, La., was burned last week, with a million feet of lumber, much of it quarter-sawed. Loss only partly covered by insurance, amount not stated.

The full-rigged ship Port Patrick of the Port Line, Glasgow, Scotland, Capt. Frank Hand, was almost wholly destroyed by fire at her dock in the East river, New York. Her cargo, valued at about $100,000, was also destroyed.

Arbuckle and the Havemeyer interests are hammering coffee down at New York. Rio No. 7 was put down to 9 cents by the Havemeyer interests and Arbuckle met the reduction. The war is on and there is no telling how low the price may go.

Alexander Brown & Sons, representing a syndicate of Baltimore, London, New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburg capitalists, have consummated the purchase of all the stock of the United Traction company, of Pittsburg, amounting to $20,000,000.

The organization of the Confederate Veteran's Reunion association was completed at Atlanta Wednesday. This is to be the active organization to prepare for the re-union to meet next year, the date of which is placed for June 21 and 22, the anniversary of the battle of Atlanta.

It was announced Friday that as a Thanksgiving present President George Gould, of the Missouri Pacific railroad system, advanced the salaries of all employees along the line 10 per cent.

William J. Bryan has given to the Missouri State university at Columbia $250, which is to be used annually for awarding a prize for the best essay on the science of government.

General Weyler has written a letter to a friend in Madrid saying he is prepared to support any political leader "to carry out the political heritage of Canovas," adding: "If I had been allowed to remain in Cuba the war would have been ended in May."

General Gonazales Lanuza, the famous Cuban criminal lawyer, who has been confined in a penal colony prison in Northern Africa for over a year, has been released. He is now on his way te Atlanta and will join his family there some time next week. General Ganzales was convicted of treason against the Spanish government in Havana and was sent to prison in Africa.

The appeal of the people of Ocean Springs, Miss., that the United States government, through the marine hospital service, disinfect places of yellow fever infection, has been acted on. It was decided that the marine hospital service proceed at once to fumigate all such places along the coast. The work will commence at Bay St. Louis. Biloxi, Scranton and other places up the coast.

The Nineteenth Illinois regimental monument erected on Missionary Ridge, near the Bragg headquarters, was formally dedicated Thursday, there being present at the ceremony about twenty-five survivors, all from Chicago. The monument is erected on the spot where the regiment first rallied and reached the crest of the ridge in the memorable engagement. The day is the thirty-fourth anniversary of the battle.

REBELS FIRING UPON HAVANA.

A Band of Insurgents Making It Lively for the Spanish.

On Sunday morning, for the first time in the history of the Cuban war, rebel bullets sought the palace in Havana, according to a dispatch from Havana. The shots came from Casa Blanca, six hundred yards across the entrance to the harbor, and while nobody was hurt, the palace with its numerous lights, was a shining mark, and must have heen hit. The Spanish authorities attempted to make light of the affair, but at the same time a reporter for La Lucha, who was on the spot, attempted to publish the facts and was arrested and is still incommunicado.

The attack on Casa Blanca was made by Brigadier General Raefel Cardenas and fifty rebels. They entered town shortly before midnight on horseback, and at the end of four hours each man led out of town a horse with one extra he had appropriated laden with clothing, provisions, silver plate and considerable money. Before they left they fired two volleys across the narrow harbor entrance at the palace and then coolly retired to a friend's house inside the Spanish lines and took supper, previously ordered. All this was done under the guns of Castle Moro.

It is learned from an insurgent source that the object of the rebels was to effect the release of Gen. Ruis Rivera and hand a citizen named Fumerio, who is known as a Spanish spy. They failed in the first only because of some misconception regarding the appointed time on the part of the confederates inside the prison, with whom arrangements had been made to admit the raiders into the fortress. Fumerio managed to escape across the harbor.

DOORS CLOSED AGAINST WOMEN.

Methodist Minister Refused to Let Mrs. Harris Preach.

Mrs. Harris, a female revivalist, has concluded a revival at Hillsboro, Ala., a few miles east of Courtland. Large congregations attended the services, including many from the adjacent counties, going forty and fifty miles to hear her.

The meeting was commenced in the Methodist Episcopal church, South, by authority of the board of stewards, but Rev. Anson West, presiding elder of the Decatur district, learning of the use of this church bo a female revivalist, went to Hillsboro and overruled the action of the board, interrupted the proceedings and caused a considerable flurry by officially closing the doors of the church to women preachers.

Mrs. Harris a widow of the late Robert Lee Harris, a noted evangelist of his time in this State.

State Normal College.

In spite of the scare from pestilence and quarantine, the State Normal College at Troy went on the even tenor of its way with a good attendance, and as good work as the state ever had done for it by any institution.

Troy enjoys the distinction of being 596 feet above sea level, and yellow fever has never come within fifty miles of it, and it is not believed by those well informed that the disease can spread at such altitude, if health measures are carefully observed.

Out of the several thousands of students in the State Normal College there in the ten years past, only two deaths have occurred at the college, and these from pneumonia and measles.

The college never had brighter prospects, and many new students are expected at the new term to open December 7. President Eldredge has calls for trained teacher from every direction, and the demand is above the supply. As school officers learn the value of teacher training they will insist more and more upon it. The State Normal College at Troy delights to serve school officers, schools and teachers.

WHEAT EXPORTS ARE HEAVY.

The Demand For Goods From the South Much Larger for the Week.

AS A WHOLE NO IMPROVEMENT NOTED.

Competition of Southern Mills, Overproduction by Manufacturers of a Single Staple Underlies Existing Large Stocks and Heavy Prices.

Bradstreet's financial review for the past week says:

Although speculation has been mainly in the hands of traders, an undertone of strength was apparent throughout the week's transactions on the stock exchange. There was no very severe pressure, and it is the general impression that stocks are in strong hands.

The approaching meeting of congress is regarded as the next speculative factor of importance, and it is concluded that large financial interests are waiting till the session begins and the attitude of the national law makers on the currency and Cuba is developed.

So far as the administration is concerned, the "street" at large has been favorably impressed, both by the pacific disposition that has characterized the negotiations with Spain and by the current reports that the President's message will deal largely with the currency and take a position satisfactory to sound money sentiment.

There was an absence of unfavorable development throughout the week, and more attention was paid to the continued increases in railroad earnings and to circumstances affecting the speculative position of particular properties.

London has not been a factor of any importance in our market, though the selling from that source has been larger than purchasing.

Notwithstanding the appearance of a demand for holiday specialties at some points in the South, at Chicago, St. Louis, and in sections tributary thereto, general trade throughout the country has shown no general improvement this week.

The Eastern cotton goods industry continues depressed. Consumers evidently do not intend to buy extensively until they beleive the price of raw cotton is ready to advance. Competition from Southern mills, more particularly overproduction by manufacturers who produce a single staple, underlies existing large stocks and the heaviness of prices. Converters and manufacturers of cotton yarns are situated relatively more favorably.

Other lines reporting seasonable distribution are manufacturers of woolens, clothing, shoes and jobbers of fancy groceries.

Iron and steel have not been in as active demand as expected, and are lower, notwithstanding furnaces and mills are supplied with orders sufficient to carry them well into next year. A favorable feature is found in advances in wages of operatives in various industrial lines.

Wheat exports, affected almost entirely in the holidays, showed considerable decrease from last week's total. The aggregate exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and from Canada this week are 5,465,153 bushels, against 6,653,000 bushels last week, and 3,513,000 bushels last year.

Corn exports also would have been larger but for this reason, amounting to 2,869,000 bushels, against 3,309,000 last week, and 2.920,000 last year.

There are 235 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 235 last week, and 296 in the week a year ago.

TO DESTROY THE EMPIRE

Is Alleged to Be the Purpose of the Austrian Social Democrats.

A special from Vienna says: Friday the Reichsweihr declared that the uproar in the lower house of the Reichstrath has no connection with the campaign against the language ordinance, but was due to the action of the International Social Democrats, who considered that the time has arrived to complete their destructive work against the state and empire. Continuing, the Reichsweihr says that in view of this fact the state cannot and will not yield.

Repetition of '49 Predicted.

J. W. Wilson, general manager of the Alaska Commercial company, of San Francisco, has just returned from Alaska, having made many trips to that country during the past few years. Mr. Wilson says the rush to the gold fields of California was nothing to what the wild stampede to the Klondike will be the coming spring. Already thousands of people in every state are getting ready for the trip. His advice to these prospectors is that they go prepared to withstand the rigors of the following winter, especially as there will be no reason to fear a scarcity of food.

M'KINLEY IN GOLD.

Scheme of Wealthy Capitalists to Make a Statue of the President.

Ada Rehan in silver is to be outshone by William McKinley in gold. The added fame which the actress acquired by posing for the Montana statue of solid silver, exhibited at the World's fair in 1893, is to be approached, if not eclipsed, by the president of the United States, who will furnish the figure for a life-sized statue of solid gold.

Mr. F. D. Higby, of Chicago, who has been commissioned by several wealthy capitalists to furnish such a statue for exhibition at the Paris exposition in 1900, is on his way to Washington to get the consent of President McKinley to pose for the figure.

"This statue, from the base up, will contain bullion to the value of $1,050,000," said Mr. Higby. "While it was designed primarily to place the statue on exhibit in Paris in 1900, the projectors of the Pan-American exposition to be held on Cayagua island, Nicaragua river, in 1899, are anxious to have it completed in time for exhibition there first.

SENATOR JAMES K. JONES.

He is Opposed to the Annexation of Hawaii.

Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the democratic national committee, has expressed his opinion of the Hawaiian annexation scheme, as follows:

"I am opposed to it:

"1. Because I am unalterably opposed to extending our territorial limits beyond this continent.

"2. Because the Hawaiian Islands are so remote from our coast line. Our defense in the event of war would be enormously expensive and troublesome to us.

"3. Because they do not comprise sufficient area to make a state, and their maintenance as a territory would violate the intent of the constitution.

"4. Because it would be almost impossible for congress to devise a government for them that would not result in confusion and failure.

"5. Because of the unfit and undesirable character of the population. No matter how favorable surroundings for improvement might be made, the large percentage of the population would remain unfit for citizenship.

"These reasons seem to me to be self-evident and convincing."

STAGE LINE TO KLONDYKE.

This is the Latest Proposed Mode of Getting to the Gold Fields.

An English company will establish a fast stage line from Great Falls, Mont., to Dawson City. The route is an entirely new one, and will be less than 1,200 miles. A portion of the route will be along the Mackenzie river. The line will be in operation early next spring, and the trip will occupy less than twenty days. They have purchased 600 horses, and engaged a superintendent for the line. The taverns for the accommodation of passengers and relay stations will be erected along the route, and an effort will be made to establish town sites. The company they represent is capitalized at $2,000,000.

Pension Rolls of Two States.

Georgia has this year upon its state pension roll the names of 10,437 men and women entitled to its privileges. They include 3,803 widows of confederate soldiers, 3,381 invalid soldiers, and 3,173 old confederate soldiers who are indigent. The widows are cared for by an annual appropriation of $240,000, the invalids get $190,000 and the indigents $150,000, making a total of $580,000.

In round numbers the pension list of Mississippi for this year amounts to 4,400. They get $17 each, except in a few instances where they receive $75. The pension list is steadily growing. The number of women (widows) drawing the pension greatly exceeds the men.

Mississippi's Convict Cotton Crop.

Hon. John D. McInnis, railroad commissionor, and member of the board of control, has been inspecting the convict farms and state crops. He is confident the state will make 4,000 bales of cotton and says he never saw such a crop of cotton in his life. He declares that land which was under water until the middle of June and then seeded to cotton will make one and a half bales to the acre.

A Record Cargo.

The British steamship Monarch, hence for Liverpool, went to sea Friday with the largest cargo ever floated, consisting of 22,535 bales of cotton, 60,000 bushels of corn, 11,200 sacks of cotton seed meal and 29,068 oak staves, being equivalent to 28,000 bales of cotton.

Received With Thanks.

Tom Cyrus, colored, was sentenced at Atlanta Thursday by Judge Candler to hang on December 22. "Thank you," he said to the Judge when sentence was passed. Cyrus killed Annie Johnson, maid of Governor Atkinson's wife.

CALL TO COTTON GROWERS.

President Lane, of the American Cotton Growers' Association,

ISSUES A STIRRING ADDRESS TO MEMBERS

Calling Them to Meet in Convention at Memphis, Tenn., December 20, to Devise Ways to Meet and Combat the Present Industrial Condition.

Hon. Hector D. Lane, of Alabama, president of the American Cotton Growers' Protective Association, has issued an address to the cotton growers of America calling a meeting of the association at Memphis, December 20.

President Lane's address is as follows:

"In response to the earnest request of a large number of the most prominent cotton growers of the South, representing nearly the entire cotton belt, I am again induced to call the cotton growers of the South to meet in convention for the purpose of and with the hope that through mature deliberation we may arrive at intelligent conclusions as to the best procedure to meet and combat the industrial conditions that now confront us.

"It is the opinion of the best minds of your country that this consummation can only be reached by a resolute, continuous and systematic rule of action laid down by authorized representation, and adhered to by the masses of the cotton growers.

"I shall not waste space by indulging in arguments of the necessity of this action. Five cent cotton and its natural effect is its own most potent pleader in this cause, and the sounding adjectives of the orator and the well-rounded sentences of the journalists are not necessary to awaken the south to the sad realization of our condition and what is to follow without remedial action on these lines. The importance of the situation addresses itself to our common country.

"There is no one interested in the material prosperity of the south who will not have to bear their pro rata of this burden. Upon the part of the American Cotton Growers' Protective Association I appeal to all of our people to join us in a patriotic, systematic and conservative effort to cure these ills that now afflict us. All agricultural societies are requested to send representation. We respectfully invite the presence of bankers, commission men, merchants and all those directly or indirectly interested in cotton growing."

TRESTLE GIVES WAY

And Twenty-three Loaded Cars Plunge Downward, Killing Two Men.

Saturday, as a heavy freight train, bound north, on the Kentucky Central branch of the Louisville and Nashville road, was passing over a wooden trestle near Winchester, Ky., the structure gave way, precipitating twenty-three coal laden cars to the rocks, 65 feet below. The engine and tender passed over safely.

A number of bridge carpenters were at work at the bottom of the trestle when it fell. Most of them made their escape. James Harris and Warren Burch, however, were not so fortunate, and were killed. Their bodies lie buried under hundreds of tons of coal, lumber, etc. The monetary loss is not known at present, but it will be heavy.

WAS IT SUICIDE?

Coroner's Jury Says Mason Payne Hung Himself, But There is Doubt.

The dead body of a negro was found swinging to a tree near the northern limits of Meridian, Miss., last week. The police were notified, and persons living near the scene identified the body as that of Mason Payne, a negro, about 17 years of age, who lived in that vicinity.

A coroner's jury was empaneled, and after a short investigation a verdict of suicide was rendered. The death of the negro was peculiar, and the theory of suicide is not accepted by his relatives, or wholly by the authorities.

He was found with his feet touching the ground, and a slight twine cord, doubled several times, had been used to accomplish his death, which was evidently due to strangulatian.

DON'T HEED RUSSIA'S WARNING.

Turkey Will Invest 1,500,000 Marks in Large Cannon.

In spite of the protest of the Russian government which recently intimated to the porte that if any considerable part of the indemnity paid by Greece should be devoted to the extension of the Ottoman armament the Russian government would insist upon a payment of the arrears of the Russo-Turkish indemnity, long overdue. Turkey has placed with Herr Krupp, the great German gunmaker, an order for 150 large cannon at a total value of 1,500,000 marks.

MANUAL LABOR AND PROFESSIONS.

The tendency of young men in this country to embark in the learned professions without the proper mental equipment and with no special aptitude for anything except avoiding manual labor is constantly on the increase. It is greatly to be deplored, for to such failure is almost the inevitable result. That means ruined lives, or an existence so soured, disgruntled and embittered as to be without pleasure or profit to their possessors and a tax upon the community where their lines are cast. And yet these same men, whose lives are eminent failures, might have achieved splendid success in some walk in life suited to their tastes and talents. Indeed it requires but a superficial degree of observation to demonstrate the fact that there are in almost any community fourth rate lawyers who would have been excellent auctioneers, dentists who would have succeeded as plumbers, physicians who would have adorned a meat stall, and even ministers of the Gospel who could have produced a far better horseshoe than a sermon.

Had they entered a calling congenial alike to taste and talent they might have been an honor to themselves and a blessing to the community, for a man is always that irrespective of his occupation, whenever he is a master of it. But the trouble with these young men is that they do not understand the dignity of manual labor. They do not realize that honors and fortune may be more readily realized outside of the so-called learned professions than in them, and that it is just as honorable to swing a hammer or to hold a plow as it is to make a speech in court or amputate a limb. Let them understand that it is not so much what a man does for a livelihood as it is how well he does it, and that manual labor is as honorable as any other, and then will the diploma factories cease to pour out on a long suffering world their annual horde of incapables only to be wrecked upon the shores of their own limitations. — Philadelphia Times.

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For the first Six Correct Guesses, as follows: $50 for the First Correct Guess and $10 Each for the Next Five, in their order, provided the same are received in our office on or before December 1st.

THE PERIOD COVERED

By This Contest shows about 16,000 expirations for The Weekly Constitution, and, of course, we want them all to renew and to enter the Contest.

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For the Missing Word Fund, and every additional subscriber entering the contest will swell the amount the more.

This period also compares with our First Missing Word Contest last year, in which Mr. M. L. Brittain secured the prize—$1,033.50. As that was our First Contest, there were more than 5,000 subscribers received during the time, who did not enter for prize. It will not be so this time, for the plan is widely advertised and we have paid out within the past twelve months **NEARLY $5,000 CASH** upon the Five Missing Word Contests. The series has been of extraordinary interest, and the idea seems to grow in the public's favor.

The book containing the sentence is a standard publication and has been sealed up and placed with Mr. W. A. Hemphill, President and Business Manager of The Constitution, who will hold it safely until January 1, 1898.

The sentence speaks for itself and submits a very plain proposition for you to solve.

The Contest Began November 1, 1897.
The Contest Ends January 1, 1898.

This contest lasts two months and the amount to be divided will probably be in the neighborhood of $2,000. There may be one correct answer, there may be a dozen, there may be more, but remember it costs nothing to supply a word, and you may get it correctly. Whether you do or not, you get

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Ten per cent of the Guessers' Subscriptions goes to the Fund to be divided. In other words, if this Subscription Fund amounts to $20,000 for the two months, the Fund to go to the successful guesser would be $2,000. Following are the conditions of contest:

WE PROPOSE TO PUT 10 PER CENT of the amount we receive for subscriptions, wherein the party subscribing enters the Missing Word Contest, into a fund for distribution among those who name correctly the missing word. For instance: If only one contestant gets the word right, he or she, as the case may be, will have all the money. If more than one strike it, the sum will be equally divided, each correct answer receiving its proportionate share of the fund.

THE CONDITION PRECEDENT FOR SENDING A GUESS at the Missing Word is that each and every guess must be accompanied by a year's subscription to THE WEEKLY CONSTITUTION; the guess must be sent in the identical envelope that brings the money that pays for the subscription; forgetting it, or leaving it out by accident or otherwise, or not knowing of the guess at the time you subscribed, or any other reason will not entitle one to send a guess afterwards. The guess must come with the subscription or not at all. Should a party send more than one guess, he or she will be entitled to a share of the fund for each correct guess sent; there will be no capital prize—every one will get a first prize. Persons may guess as many times as they send subscriptions.

THE CONTEST BEGAN NOV. 1ST—We began then to keep accurate account of the subscriptions received with guesses and on December 1st we will publish how much is to the credit of the subscribers guessing, and during December we will publish each week how the fund has grown.

THE CONTEST CLOSES JAN. 1ST—At which time we will pay out to the successful party or parties the full prize amount that has accrued in the contest.

In Making Your Answer You need not write the sentence out in full, just state simply the Missing Word for January 1st is "....."

The above is the plan of The Constitution Contest, which all subscribers to that paper and ours, subscribing under the clubbing offer announced elsewhere, may enter. Address orders to

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

W. H. Battle, of near Six Mile, was in town on business Monday.

Marion Wooten, of Dogwood, will leave for Lott, Texas, in a few days.

Misses Judie and Jessie Walker, from the Elliottsville neighborhood, were in the city Tuesday.

Mr E D Reynolds and wife, and Mr. S. J. Morgan, of Blocton, spent last Sunday in Montevallo.

Miss Sue Shuford, the pretty, dark eyed sister of Mrs. Best, has been visiting here for the past few days.

D. H. Gentry, of Chilton, was bitten in the back of the left hand last week by a hog. His hand is nearly well now.

Dr. Harrison of Dogwood is confined to his bed with an attack of pneumonia, which it is hoped may not prove serious.

Messrs. R. J. and C. W. Rotenberry, of Six Mile, were in the city on business Tuesday. R. J. bears his years gracefully.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Knight, of Tomax, Chilton County, were in town yesterday with two of their sons and their handsome daughter.

Mrs. John M. Fancher and Miss Sallie Dean will leave for Troop, Texas, one day next week. Mr Fancher will be a grass bachelor for one month.

Mr. H. A. Hodge, of Anniston, who has since last June worked with his teams on the Mobile and Ohio extension near Blocton, passed through Montevallo Saturday on his way home.

Mr. W. S. Killough, who went to work as a brakeman on the Southern about a month ago, has returned to town to nurse a crushed hand injured in the discharge of his duty at Birmingham junction.

Mr. J. W. Scott, section foreman of the Southern railway at Aldrich, was so unfortunate last Monday, while pulling a spike, as to crush the tip of the forefinger of his right hand. Some days must elapse before he will be able to resume his duties.

There was a happy wedding at Dogwood last Sunday. Miss Minnie Wooten became Mrs. James Butler, of Pelham. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's mother. The newly-wedded couple will reside at Pelham, and the News wishes them Godspeed.

All visiting town should see F. F. Crowe & Co,'s stock of Xmas presents, fireworks, dolls and other toys, candies and fruits, before making purchases.

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Call for Window Glass at H. C. & W. B. Reynolds. A large supply at reasonable prices.

If you want a desirable building lot or a cheap home, call on or write to the Shelby County Bank.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

Miss Allie Hughes, [illegible]olk, Va., was frightfully burned on the [illegible]nd neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. F. F. Crowe & Co.

THE TURN OF THE TIDE.

The above is the title of the nautical and temperance drama in three acts which will be played by a strong amateur company, under the management of Prof W C Carpenter, at the Masonic Hall, Aldrich, on Friday evening, December 10th. The drama will be well worth seeing, and all of Montevallo should go, as the proceeds will be devoted to the benefit of Aldrich academy. Miss Lee will act as pianist, so good music is assured. Admission 25 cents, children 15 cents. Doors open at 7.30

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

BRYAN'S LATEST.

Hon. W. J. Bryan tells the following good story:

A political speaker said from the stump that he could tell a man's politics from his looks. He pointed out a man in the crowd and said, "You are a republican." That man said, "Yes, how could you tell?" "From your looks," said the speaker. To a third man he said, "You are a populist." The man acknowledged the fact and wanted to know how he could tell. The speaker said as before, "From your looks." "And that man down further is a gold standard democrat." "No, I'm not," promptly responded the fellow, "I've been sick. That's what makes me look this way."

Latham & Co. have purchased a large quantity of clothing for men, youths and boys, which they are selling below cost.

HE IS STILL FIGURING.

A farmer near town last week bought a steer, butchered it, cut it up and peddled the meat in Montevallo. He sold round steak for 4 cts a pound and thought he was becoming rich. On his return home with a lot of stripped bones, he found that he had less money than he paid for the live steer, and now spends his time scratching his head and wondering what became of his expected profits.

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ARRIVAL OF MISS GIBSON.

Born, on Monday, December 6th, to Mr and Mrs S B Gibson, a daughter.

The above notice calls for congratulations from the News, the more so that the happy father assures us that both mother and child are doing well. We hope soon to see Mrs and Miss Gibson in Montevallo, but fear the latter will have a hard time dodging the 338 amateur nurses at the Institute who will want to make a doll of her.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Prosperity comes quickest to the man whose liver is in good condition. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are famous little pills for constipation, biliousness, indigestion and all stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

A NEW ROAD.

Chas W Cary, of the Montevallo Lump Coal Mining Company, says that a railroad a mile and a half long will soon be built to connect the Southern railroad with the mines at Dogwood. The State Geologist has reported in writing that the company is operating on the north outcrop of the Montevallo coal basin, and selling the same coal as the Montevallo Coal and Transportation Company of Aldrich.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa., says. "My child is worth millions to me: yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twenty-five cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure." It cures coughs, and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mrs. M B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

EVERYBODY COME!

A horse swapping convention and turkey shoot will be held in Montevallo on Saturday, December 18th. Come along, bring your wives and families to buy Christmas goods, also a dollar with which to subscribe to the Montevallo News.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure. F. F. Crowe & Co.

If you want something pretty, and something that will keep you warm, get one of those Clay Worsted Suits from Latham & Co.

Young ladies: if you do not go home Christmas, send mother and father a nice X'mas present. I keep them. J. W. Martin.

The School's Eventful Day.

Gov. Johnston and Other Distinguished Visitors Commend Capt. Reynolds' Work.

Judge Banks Lectures Ably.

Oysters and Ice Cream—Speeches and Singing—Examination and Satisfaction Mark the Trustees' Visit.

Friday, Dec 3rd, was an eventful day at the Girls' Industrial school, for it was visited by Gov. Johnston, Judge J. J. Banks, State Superintendent John O. Turner, and the following trustees: Rev. George B. Eager, Judge H. Austill, Judge A. H. Alston, Hon. W. W. Wadsworth, Hon. F. S. Moody, Col. W R. Dorsch, Hon. Virgil Boulden and Hon. John McQueen.

There being so much routine business to dispatch, they had only sufficient time to make a cursory inspection of the buildings and classes, but saw enough to elicit from them expressions highly eulogistic of the great work so far accomplished by Capt. H. C. Reynolds and his corps of able assistants. Nearly all their time was consumed in the office of President Reynolds, where they passed on accounts and formulated plans for the future.

All morning the young ladies of the cooking class had busied themselves in the preparation of a choice collation for their visitors, which was served at 1 p. m. in the dining hall of the dormitory building. Two tables, covered with snowy linen and tastefully laid, were in readiness when the governor, Judge J. J. Banks, the trustees, President Reynolds and the writer took their seats. Judge Banks had an hour before declared that the sight of the girls bearing covered dishes from the cooking class to the dining room had given him a wonderful appetite.

A blessing was asked by Rev. George B. Eager, of Montgomery, after which the deft handed, sweet-faced waitresses served raw oysters, fried oysters that were delicious, mashed potatoes, custard, ice cream, cake and coffee. All enjoyed the repast, but Gov. Johnston most of all, for he flavored his dinner by kissing every young lady to whom he was introduced, which made the mouths of the others water and engendered in them an ambition for the gubernatorial office.

The trustees passed the afternoon in executive session, and it was not until 3:30 p. m. that they found time to address the pupils, who were gathered in expectant readiness in the chapel.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction John O. Turner, by reason of a sore throat, made but a short speech, but it was to the point. After highly praising the work of President Reynolds, he commented upon the beautiful and intelligent countenances of the pupils, and assured them that his heart was in the work of educating the girls of Alabama. "Out of 600,000 children of school age in the State of Alabama, 240,000 can neither read nor write," he said, and added that it was his life-work to endeavor to secure educational advantages for all, and he

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NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

FURANCE EMPLOYEES' WAGES ARE ADVANCED

The Germans Dispatch Artillerymen and Marines to China—A Family Poisoned by Drinking Milk—A Bank Closes. A Passenger Train Wrecked.

Ex-Senator Pat Walsh was elected mayor of Augusta, Ga., Thursday by a plurality of 824.

Dr. Thomas W. Edwards, the American who died in Paris, left a fortune of perhaps $8,000,000.

President Pierola, of Peru, vetoed the bill recently passed by congress legalizing non Catholic marriages.

The State Piedmont Bank, of Morgantown, N. C., has closed its doors owing to inability to make collections.

In a fire damp explosion at the Frankerholz coal mine near Hamburg, thirty men were killed and fifty injured.

The gold output of the Cripple Creek district in November was $1,580,600, the largest in the history of the camp.

The board of health of Atlanta has decided that everybody must be vaccinated who has not already submitted to the operation.

Seven hundred blast furnace employes at Sharon and Sharpsville, Pa., have received an advance in wages of 10 and 20 per cent.

Thursday's condition of the United States Treasury showed: Available cash balances, $220,210,130 ; gold reserve, $157,396,039.

A passenger train on the Chicago and Erie was wrecked near Lima, O. It is reported the engine blew up and killed three persons.

The German naval department has sent instructions to Kiel to dispatch 200 artillerymen with field guns and 1,000 marines to China.

Jesse Bagley, with his wife and two children, were poisoned by milk at their home, near Dover, Tenn., and none of them are expected to recover.

At Paris Sybil Sanderson, the American actress, was received into the Catholic church two days before she married Antonio Terry, an immensely rich Cuban.

Peru is the first of the South American countries to open negotiations with the United States for a reciprocity treaty under the provisions of the Dingley law.

Governor Bloxham, of Florida, has received letters from several governors of states saying they will attend the national fish congress at Tampa New Year's Day.

Fire destroyed the gin house on Major John M. Billups' plantation, near Columbus, Miss., and destroyed twenty-two bales of cotton and 4,000 bushels of cotton seed.

At Canton, O., Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, mother of the President, was stricken with paralysis Thursday, and it is feared her death is only a question of a short time.

Cuban insurgents entered the town of Saco, near Baracoa, on the northeast coast of the province of Santiago de Cuba, plundered the stores and machetted about fifty persons.

It is reported that General Pando, who was placed in charge of the military operations in Cuba by General Blanco, has been killed in an engagement with the insurgents in Santa Clara province.

The British steamship Alberta sailed for Hull from Baltimore with 253,301 bushels of corn, the largest cargo of corn ever shipped from that port, and probably the largest ever shipped from the United States.

The president has appointed B. K. Bruce, of Mississippi, register of the treasury. Bruce represented Mississippi in the United States senate in reconstruction days. The position to which he is appointed is one he held some years ago.

The first snow of the season fell over Kansas Thursday night, extending over the entire State. The snow will generally benefit wheat. In Central Kansas wheat goes into the winter this season in better condition than in ten years.

In a street duel at Nashville, Ark., Thursday, Dr. Smith, a prominent physician, was killed, and J. J. Smith fatally wounded by W. W. Milwee. The tragedy was the result of a fued of long standing.

At Mouse Creek, Tenn., Frank Sherman was shot from ambush and fell dead on the spot. His son, who was with him, was seriously wounded. The murderers are thought to be relatives of the murdered man.

The Southern League of Baseball Clubs was organized in Atlanta Saturday afternoon with eight teams, as follows: Savannah, Charleston, Augusta, Columbus, Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile and New Orleans.

A charter has been granted to the Southern Sugar Refining Company at Richmond, Va. The maximum capital of the company is to be $1,000,000. The object of the company is to encourage the raising of sugar beets and to engage in the manufacture of beet sugar.

A special dispatch from Shanghai announces that the Emperor of China has declared that he would rather forfeit his crown than to agree to the conditions demanded by Germany as redress for the murder of two German missionaries, Nices and Hennelo, and the destruction of German mission property in the province of Shan Tun.

COL. CHIPLEY DEAD.

The Distinguished Floridian Passes Away at Washington.

Col. W. D. Chipley, of Florida, who has been ill at a hospital in Washington for some weeks, following an operation for carbuncle, died Wednesday morning. Colonel Chipley was a native of Alabama, and was about 60 years of age. He engaged in mercantile pursuits at Columbus, Ga., until late in the '70's, when he removed to Pensacola, Fla., where he has since resided. He became prominently identified with the building of railroads in Florida and at the time of his death was president of the Pensacola and Atlanta railroad. He represented his county in the state senate for several years, and was one of the most prominent men in the state. He was mentioned as the most probable nominee of the democrats for the governorship of the state, and in the contest for the United States senatorship a year ago was the leading candidate. Colonel Chipley was a man of wealth, and was noted for his philanthropy.

THE ARMOR PLATE BOARD

Makes a Report on Cost of a Plant, but Recommends No Action.

Th naval board, appointed by authority of congress to ascertain the cost of an armor plate plant, has made its report, through Commodore Howell, to Secretary Long. The report makes a voluminous document, treating every detail of the process of armor making essential to a correct apprehension of the cost of the plant and of the product. The cost of a plant suitable for the making of naval armor at the rate of about 6,000 tons per annum, which is fully equal to the capacity of both of the existing private plants, is set down as about three and three-quarter million dollars. No recommendation is made as to the location of the plant, but the board has accumulated much information as to the merits of various eligible locations, which may be had by congress if called for by it.

THE CRAZE FOR GOLD.

Rush to California and South Africa to be Eclipsed Next Year.

Consul Smith, at Victoria, B. C., in a report to the state department, discusses the subject of the Klondike fields. The advices received at Victoria indicate that the rush in 1849 to California, and later to South Africa, will be eclipsed by the gold seekers headed for the Yukon in the early months of 1898.

Agents from England have been at Victoria, making arrangements for 3,000 or 4,000 gold seekers. Merchants there have secured great supplies of outfit goods, and the transportation companies have made arrangements sufficient to make daily lines between that port and St. Michaels, Dyea, Skaguay and Fort Wrangle.

PLEASED WITH THE SOUTH.

Eastern Capitalists Investigating Its Resources for Cotton Manufacture.

The distinguished party of New York bankers, merchants and manufacturers who have been making a tour of the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee, have returned home.

One of the party, S. M. Milliken, of New York, said, speaking of the result of their investigations: "We have found the south a very inviting field for investment in the matter of cotton affairs. You have the cotton at your very doors, and your labor is not so well employed as in the east. Besides this, your labor is the home article, and therefore more contented, more tractable, and we have found, too, that your labor is willing to work for reasonable pay."

Mr. Milliken thought the result of their visit would be more money expended in cotton mills in the states visited.

CUBANS TAKE GUISA VILLAGE.

Their Artillery Destroyed Several Block Houses.

The insurgent generals, Rabi and Salvador Rios, besieged the village of Guisa, about fifteen miles from Bayamo. Their artillery destroyed several block houses, killing the military commander and one lieutenant. The garrison, after having lost fifty soldiers killed and wounded, surrendered.

The insurgents plundered the stores, securing rich booty, two months' supplies, a good quantity of ammunition and two hundred rifles. The Spanish have sent re-enforments to retake the town.

TRADE IS MUCH STRONGER.

Exports of Corn and Wheat Almost at Record-Breaking Point.

WOOLEN INDUSTRY PUTS ITSELF FORWARD

Wages Have Been Advanced For Nearly Thirty Thousand Workers in Woolen and Iron--Failures Heavy For the Week Just Ended.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: The monthly report of failures shows defaulted liabilities of $11,610,195 in November, against $12,700,856 last year. Because of three large failures for $3,250,000, not due to present conditions, the aggregate for November was only $1,100,000 less than last year and except for these would have been smaller than in August, September or October. The decrease in nearly all branches of business shows that payments have been remarkably good and defaults unusually small. Other evidences of the state of business are convincing except in speculative lines. Wages have been voluntarily advanced for nearly 30,000 workers in woolen and iron. Stocks also are stronger, having risen $1.87 for railways and $1.57 for trusts. The true value of the American railway stock is steadily rising with earnings which for November thus far are 20.9 per cent larger than last year and 3.7 per cent in the same weeks of 1892.

It is the season for waiting in most industries, but at least one other furnace has gone into blast and the lowest price of Bessemer at Pittsburg, after purchases of 30,000 tons, is $10.15 per ton, with $9.25 for Grey Forge.

The voluntary advance of 20 per cent in wages of worsted workers at Providence, restoring the rates of 1893, is evidence of the prosperity of that manufacture. After much hesitancy has been exhibited which may be justified, the woolen industry puts itself to the front, virtually declaring its ability to face any foreign competition. The purchases of Australian wool at Boston have again been large, 2,365,000 pounds out of 6,170,700 pounds of all-wool at the three chief markets, against 8,810,800 pounds for the same week last year. But other markets are extremely quiet, and Boston is doing the selling at prices not named.

The low price of cotton still hinders much activity in cotton goods. Still lower prices than ever have been known resulted in print cloths, and also in some grades of prints, and the market for cotton goods is markedly lower. The price of cotton is dropping in the face of an enormous foreign demand, just when an advance might be expected.

In the long run the outward flow of grain will affect prices, though the receipts show a much greater yield than had been expected. So the receipts of cotton from plantations exceed those from date of the great crop of 10,000,000 bales in 1894 tend to check speculation.

Failures for the week have been 356 for the United States, against 379 last year, and 28 in Canada, against 55 last year.

GOV. O'FERRALL ON LYNCHING.

He Suggests Remedies in His Message to the Virginia Assembly.

In his message to the general assembly which convened last week Governor O'Ferrall discusses the lynching question and proposes legislation to correct the evil. He urges that a heavy pecuniary penalty be imposed on each county and city in which a lynching occurs; that wherever the military may be called out to protect a prisoner in a county or city such county or city be charged with the expenses thereof and that officers who allow prisoners to be taken from their custody without first having exhausted all possible means to protect their prisoners, be summarily suspended until the question of their dismissal shall be determined by a jury.

How Atlanta Grows.

Permits have been granted in Atlanta this year for the investment of about $1,786,000 in buildings. The permits which will be issued this month will probably run the total up to about $1,800,000.

Twenty Congressional Contests.

The clerk of the house of representatives has received notices of twenty contests to be made in the next house. The report will be presented to the house on Monday next and affects Alabama as follows :

Second district—T. H. Clark, national democrat, versus J. S. Stallings, democrat.

Third district—G. L. Comer, national democrat, versus Henry D. Clayton, democrat.

Fourth district—W. F. Aldrich, populist, versus Thomas Plowman, democrat.

Fifth district—T. H. Goodwin, populist, versus William Brewer, democrat

INTERNAL REVENUE FIGURES.

Over Two Thousand Illicit Distilleries Destroyed During the Year.

In his annual report to the secretary of the treasury Mr. Forman, commissioner of internal revenue, estimates the receipts from all sources for the current fiscal year will aggregate at least $155,000,000, an increase over 1897 of about $8,300,000.

A comparative statement of the receipts during the last fiscal year is given in part as follows:

Spirits, $82,008,542; license over 1896, $1,338,472.

Tobacco, $30,710,297, decrease, $1,231.

Fermented liquors, $32,472,162; decrease, $1,312,072.

The cost of the collection of the revenue during the last fiscal year was $3,848,469.

During the year 2,241 illicit stills were destroyed and thirty-two were removed, 1,892 persons were arrested, one killed and three wounded. Of the stills seized and destroyed 228 were located in Alabama, 841 in Georgia, 463 in North Carolina, 149 in South Carolina and 182 in the Sixth Virginia district. During the last year ten officers were killed and sixteen wounded by moonshiners.

WOMEN GOING KLONDYKE.

Mrs. Hannis Gould, of Macon, Ga., Will Lead Females to the Gold Fields.

Mrs. Hannis S. Gould, a prominent Georgia woman, will undertake next spring to lead a colony of one hundred women in the Klondyke regions of Alaska.

It seems that Mrs. Gould has not determined, however, to take the women to the Klondyke with a view to making a fortune by digging gold. She has set out for the sole purpose of planting a woman colony there, and it is her plan to find employment for the women as cooks, seamstresses, trained nurses and housekeepers. Of course if any of them want to take up the pick and shovel and go to digging gold, it is not at all likely that Mrs. Gould will prevent them from this work.

DESTITUTION IN PINAR DEL RIO.

Thirty-four Thousand Concentradoes Now on the Charity of Spain.

Senor Canalejes, the special commissioner of the Spanish government, has returned to Havana from his visit to the province of Pinar del Rio. He says there are 34,000 "concentrado" peasants gathered in that country and in the neighborhood of towns for protection from insurgents or to prevent them from joining the enemy, and that they are all in want. Of this number 15,000 are orphans and the majority are children of tender years. The municipal authorities, the commissioner says, are without resources, and therefore unable to do anything to relieve the destitution.

Germany's Demands Upon Hayti.

The exact nature of Germany's demands on Hayti became known for the first time Thursday. The demands are as follows:

1. An indemnity of $20,000 (American) for Emil Lueders.

2. The promise that Mr. Lueders may return to Hayti, and there sojourn without danger of any kind.

3. A letter to my government in which you will express apology for the proceedings towards the German government in the whole transaction.

4. That the president of Hayti shall graciously receive the German charge d'ffaires at Port au Prince.

It was also announced that if indemnity was not given a warship would be sent or diplomatic relations be broken.

Medical College Burned.

Friday the Tennessee Medical college, located near Knoxville, was discovered on fire, and on account of poor protection it burned slowly to the ground. The college was one of the best institutions in the South and was well attended. The building cost $25,000, and was comparatively new. The owners, who are physicians, claim that the contents were worth $125,000. The insurance carried was only $10,000.

Justice Field is Out.

Justice Field's retirement from the supreme court, of which he gave official notice to the president last April, took place Thursday. If Justice Field had continued in office until next Tuesday he would have seen forty-four years of continuous service.

Atlanta's New Paper.

An application has been filed in Atlanta for the incorporation of the Phoenix Publishing Company. Among the incorporators are G. S. Appleton, of the Appleton Publishing Company, of New York, and D. R. Morgan, a son of J. Pierpont Morgan, of the same city. The capital stock is placed at $200,000, with the privilege of increasing it to $1,000,000. They ask the privilege of publishing an afternoon, Sunday morning and weekly newspaper in Atlanta. They ask the right, if deemed advisable, to publish a daily morning paper, and to establish agencies and branches in other places in Georgia and in other States.

THE SOUTH'S PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South for the Week Just Ended.

Among the most important new industries for the week ending December 4, The Tradesman reports the following: The Southern Bridge & Construction Co., capital, $25,000, Houston, Tex.; electric light plants at Thomaston, Ga., Donaldsonville, La., and Marion, Va.; large flouring mills at Sweet Home, N. C., Clover, S. C., and Lebanon and Rogana, Tenn.; the Carolina Ice Co., capital, $10,000, Wilmington, N. C., and the Dallas Ice Factory, Light & Power Co., capital, $199,000, at Dallas, Texas. The Chattanooga Roofing & Paving Co., will erect a $12,000 plant at Atlanta, Ga.; the Switzer Co., capital, $15,000, will build an oil mill at Columbia, S. C., and W. F. Thompson another at Devine, Texas. The Southern Sugar Refining Co., capital, $1,000,000, has been chartered at Richmond, Va., and the Southeastern Extension Cotton Mill Co., capital, $10,000, at Portsmouth, Va. Two extensive cotton mill plants will be put in near Thomaston, Ga., and a $10,000 tobacco manufacturing company has been organized at Lynchburg, Va. A $20,000 box and package factory will be built at Memphis, Tenn., a $5,000 furniture factory at Winston-Salem, N. C., and other woodworking plants will be established at Hartselle and Woodstock. Ala., Liberty, Ky., Dillton, Tenn., Corsicana, Tex., and Big Stone Gap, Va.

CONTINUALLY "ON TAP."

Central America to the Front With Another Revolution.

The latest mail from Guatemala conveys the information that President Barrios is threatened with another uprising. Advices have been received at the capital of the Central American Republic to the effect that conspirators are at work in the northern part of the country, close to the Mexican border, and are being aided by political enemies of Barrios in the eastern departments of the government. Behind the movement is said to be Gen. Castillo, who participated in the recent uprising.

Novel and Fearful.

Miss Bertie Wilson, of South Manchester, Ky., 16 years of age, met with a novel and fearful accident the past week. She was sitting in front of a coal stove, making a drawing, her head bent low, when, quick as a lightning flash, her celluloid comb caught fire. The blaze at once enveloped her head. She ran screaming into the dining room. Her father happened to be in and, keeping his presence of mind, seized a bucket of water and poured it over the girl's head. The flames were stopped, but not before all her hair was burned off and a large section of the scalp injured. Her clothing also ignited and her arms, back and shouldsrs were badly burned.

Awful Conditions in Cuba.

A consular officer in Cuba writes the state department, that no less than 150,000 of the peasantry of the interior, who were concentrated in the coast towns, have died of hunger and exposure, mostly old men, women and children. He says the remnant left alive, are helpless and hopeless. Their homes were long ago reduced to heaps of cinders and ashes. Their fields are wastes. If they are returned to whence they were driven by Weyler, they must starve, for they have neither seed, nor animals, nor strength of their own, with which to begin anew.

Corner in Wheat.

It has been reported at the chamber of commerce at Minneapolis, Minn., that the Peavey Elevator Companies have made a combine with the Pillsbury Companies, and secured control of not only the wheat in Minneapolis but all the wheat stored in the elevators throughout the Northwest.

Pillsbury recently predicted that wheat would go to $1.50, and this is consistent with the rumor of the corner.

Three Points Settled.

The Georgia legislature has practically settled three of the most important phases of the convict problem. They are: The State shall lease out all able-bodied convicts. It shall have supervision over all misdemeanor convicts, and shall establish a farm for all women, juvenile and infirm convicts.

Germany's Threats.

The semi-official Post says: "Should Hayti refuse the German demands for an indemnity on account of the alleged illegal arrest and imprisonment of Herr Lueders, a German subject, sharp measures will follow. We shall first bombard the coast forts, and if they are persistent we shall bombard Port au Prince and the government buildings."

Endorsed the Chicago Platform.

The North Carolina Democratic State committee, which held a session at Raleigh the past week, reaffirmed the the Chicago and State platforms of last year.

BILL ARP'S WEEKLY LETTER.

PRESENCE OF BURGLARS IN TOWN DISTRESS THE PHILOSOPHER.

TRAMPS ARE ADEPTS AT THIEVING.

The Discussion of Co-Education Elicits Some Very Timely and Well-Intended Remarks.

"Hark, hark, the dogs do bark;
The burglars have come to town."

For 15 years this has been an orderly, peaceable and honest town. Ever since the saloons were abolished there has been no disturbance of the public tranquility. During all that time our doors have not been locked at night nor has our chicken roost been robbed by the fowl invader. The presence of our faithful dog may have been our protection, for there have been some few chickens stolen in these parts. Our neighbor, Charley Patterson, suffered some in that way until he bought the old gallows on which a man was hung a few years ago and built a chicken house of the timber. Since then he can hardly get a darky to put chickens in it by day, much less to take them out by night. But our negroes in and around Cartersville are a clever, industrious people and as honest as mankind are generally. The domestic servants will take some liberties with little things that they think we won't miss, but they have many good traits that are a set-off, and so we compromise on general principles.

But now the burglars have come to town and alarmed the whole community. I believe they come from up north where every bad thing comes from, even to bad weather. The other day a tramp came to our house and asked for something to eat. He was fairly good looking and well dressed. My wife got him a lunch and asked him where his home was, and where he was going. He smiled and said he had no home and was raised in an orphan asylum up north and was going to Atlanta in search of work.

"How do you travel," said she, "if you have no money?"

"Well, I ride on the freights until they put me off," he said, "and then I wait for another one and ride some I am just taking a little trip now more to see the country."

There were two of these fellows in town and they took the rounds asking for something to eat and always got it. My opinion is that they are professional thieves and their purpose in calling at so many houses is to prospect the premises. The night after they were at our house burglars entered four houses and stole money. They took $90 from under a sleeping man's pillow and smaller sums from the pockets of other men. A few nights after they entered three houses and took a fine gold watch from under a banker's pillow and the next night a watch and some money at another place. They take no clothing nor anything to eat. They are white folks, I tell you, and are experts in their business.

Well, of course, the whole community is aroused and especially the women. My wife is not a timid woman. She is more afraid of snakes than of men, but she, too, got alarmed and made me get the hammer and the screwdriver and some bolts and nails and fix up every door and window. She held the lamp and watched me all round from room to room, and I mashed a great blood blister on my finger and it hurts yet. When all was done to her satisfaction and we got ready to retire, she suddenly told me not to lock the back hall door, for Uncle Sam had to come in there in the morning to make a fire. Considerate woman! She knew that I didn't like to get up out of a warm bed to unlock the door. Reckon she thinks the burglars wouldn't be so impolite as to come in at the back door. Bet they don't get any watch from under my pillow, for I haven't got any. Forty years ago they got mine just that way in old Dr. Thompson's hotel in Atlanta, and I have never carried one since. They got my pocketbook, too, and a little money and some valuable papers. They were from up north and were very clever men, considering, for in about a week they sent me all my papers back through the mail and the letter was postmarked Philadelphia. They will give a man back everything they can't use. Bill Fort told me that they were a kind-hearted set of thieves and he had known them to lean over and kiss a sleeping man after they had robbed him.

No, it is white folks who are stealing these valuable things. Negroes haven't got above chickens and turkeys yet. I heard the other day of an old darky who prayed every night during Christmas for the Lord to send a turkey to him, but the turkey didn't come, and so he changed his prayer and asked the Lord to send him to a turkey and his prayer was answered that very night. A negro don't hanker after gold watches. He wants something to eat.

But now I want to know what is all this racket about that they call co-education. I thought it was just another fad and would soon pass away, but it seems to get bigger and bigger the more they talk about it. One would think there were no female colleges in the land and that the boys were getting all the education when the truth is there are more educational facilities for girls in this state than for boys. I don't know what it all means. Do the girls want to mix with the boys and improve them and be inspired by them? Then why should not the boys claim a similar privilege and go to the female colleges and to the girls' industrial school at Milledgeville? If we are going to bunch, let us bunch the whole concern and include the agricultural attachments and let the girls do some plowing if they want to. But I reckon its just the new woman who is contending for the abstract right to go to the university. Of course they won't go, for their fathers won't let them as long as the female colleges are open at Macon and Athens and LaGrange and Decatur and Rome and other places. There is plenty of education for them there without the co-. The best mothers, I know, never got higher than a high school and the best co-education is for the girls to get married young and go to raising children and chickens. If they do that diligently, they will learn enough in a lifetime and be as happy as their college-bred daughters. I've never been entirely satisfied that such obstruse sciences as chemistry, astronomy, ricgonometry, fluxions, calculus, Greek, rhetoric and logic were of any use to the average boy, much less to the girls. I went to college and my wife didn't, and I have to take a back seat now sometimes. I married her when she was only sixteen. but if she had spent four years in college she would have been so smart she wouldn't have had me, and I reckon I wouldn't have had her, for no prudent young man will marry a girl who is smarter than he is—it is dangerous. Pick out your girl and take her young and co-educate her yourself.—BILL ARP in Atlanta Constitution.

Cuban Presid nt and Cabinet Elected.

Consul-General Lee has informed the state department that the insurgents in Cuba elected and installed, at Yaza, Porto Principe, on October 20, the following officers: President, Bartolo Masso; Vice-President, Domingo Meudez Capote; Secretary of War, Jose B. Aleman; Secretary of the Treasury, Earnisto Font Sterling; Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Andres Moreno de la Torre; Secretary of Interior, Manuel R. Silva; General in Chief, Maximo Gomez; Lieutenant General, Calixto Garcia.

Debarred From the Mails.

The postoffice department is taking a firm stand against the so-called "missing letter" and "missing word" contests which are being inducted by a number of publishers to increase the subscriptions of their papers. All newspapers and periodicals containing advertisements of this character are forbidden transmission in the mails. This law, it is now announced at the postoffice department, will be applied to all schemes which are violations of the law, or in which advertisements of them are published.

Fire Adds to Distress.

News has been received of a terrible fire which occurred at Jaruco, a town of about 10,000 inhabitants, in Havana province. About 110 houses were destroyed, with nearly all their contents. No accurate estimate of the amount of damage can be made. Hundreds of families have been rendered homeless and the situation at Jaruco is very distressing. The fire originated in an accident.

Dauntless Lands a Big Cargo.

The filibustering steamer Dauntless arrived in port at Jacksonville, Fla., Friday, after having successfully landed another expedition in Cuba. The Dauntless is reported to have landed a large cargo, in which was a twelve-pound Hotchkiss gun. A large quantity of quinine was also landed for the insurgents.

Government Will Make a Bid.

The government has fully decided to qualify as a bidder at the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad on December 16th next, in case of the failure of the reorganization committee to guarantee the government what is regarded as a fair and just figure for its interests. Whether the president and the attorney general, however, will exact the full amount of the government's claim of approximately $13,000,000 is not known. It is learned that some days ago the reorganization committee submitted a proposition which was positively declined.

Governor Griggs to be Attorney General.

It is stated that the position of attorney general, to succeed Mr. McKenna, who will be nominated to the supreme bench to succeed Justice Field, has been offered to Governor Griggs, of New Jersey, and that he has consented to accept.

Daniel Will Succeed Himself.

The Virginia democratic legislative caucus nominated Hon. John W. Daniel to succeed himself in the United States senate.

A WEEK'S NEWS IN ALABAMA

Commissioner Culver Calls on the Farmers to Organize.

ENTIRE FAMILY MURDERED IN HALE COUNTY

Successful Still Raids in Cleburne—The Coal Output for the Year—Federal Grand Jury Makes a Sensational Charge—Other News Notes.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver has issued a letter to the farmers and land of Alabama calling upon them to meet with him to organize an agricultural society for the purpose of advancing the agricultural interests of the State.

He calls attention to the low price of cotton, which has existed several years, and says at the present rate the farmers will soon be in bankruptcy. He recommends planting a diversity of crops and reducing the acreage of cotton. An agricultural society, composed of practical farmers, could be of great advantage to the farming industry, as each member's experience would be helpful to the others.

Mr. Culver requests that five or six representative men from each county meet him at the State capitol Wednesday, January 12, for the purpose of organizing the society and perfecting plans for the organization of counties and precincts. The probate judges will be asked to assist in the selection of these delegates. He asks that all citizens, whether farmers or not, assist in the proposed plan.

ENTIRE FAMILY MURDERED.

Details of a Foul Crime Committed Near Greensboro.

John Singly, his wife and their 12-year-old son were murdered Wednesday night eight miles north of Greensboro hy a negro named Bill Scott.

After the deed Scott entered their home, and breaking open a drawer, secured $700 in money and made his escape.

Mrs. Singly and her son died instantly, but Mr. Singly lived until 2 p. m. Thursday and told the story of the crime and the name of the negro who committed the deed.

Scott induced Singly, upon some pretense, to go a short distance up the road with him, and then knocked Singly down with a stick and cut his throat. He then went to the house, brained the mother and son, cut their throats, procured $700 from a drawer and made his escape.

Citizens have offered a reward of $500 for Scott's capture, and the governor will be asked to offer a like amount.

STILLS RAIDED IN CLEBURNE.

Three Stills Destroyed, But the Operators Escaped Officers.

Internal Revenue Collector J. F. Creen has just finished a tour of Cleburne county and succeeded in destroying three flourishing illicit stills. They were situated as follows:

Five miles southeast of Jenkins: One forty-gallon still, copper worm, flake stands and 400 gallons of beer were destroyed.

Three miles southeast of Grantly: One forty-gallon wood still, four fermenters, 500 gallons of beer and a lot of tools were destroyed.

Three miles northeast of Grantley: One forty-five gallon copper still, wood cap, flake stand, eight fermenters and 700 gallops of beer were destroyed.

The combined capacity of the three plants was about forty gallons of whisky per day. No arrests were made. The operators apparently got wind of the fact that the officers were in the vicinity and kept out of sight.

A abama Coal Output.

The output of coal in Alabama during the year 1897 will exceed that of 1896 by a couple of hundred thousand tons. This is the surmise of State Mine Inspector James D. Hillhouse.

Speaking of the report, Mr. Hillhouse stated: "I believe the output this year will reach the 6,000,000 tons mark. It will exceed last year's output by at least 200,000 tons. The output last year was something over 5,700 000. The six million mark would have been increased by several hundred thousand tons if the lay-off on the part of the miners during the summer had not occurred. Since that time the output at the various mines in the state has been enormous. The first part of the year shows a large output also."

Official Scandal Refuted by the Court.

In the United States court at Birmingham Thursday nine cases against W. H. Hunter, three cases against Sandy White, six cases against C. C. Reid and one case against W. C. Reid for presenting false claims to the government were nol prossed and dismissed from the docket. These cases grew out of an investigation instituted some years ago resulting from a report of a United States grand jury.

KEEN TO KEEP HIS OFFICE.

The Postmaster at Mobile Refuses to Turn Office Over to His Successor.

The newly appointed postmaster, P. D. Barker, republican, has in vain endeavored to obtain possession of the postoffice at Mobile from Postmaster Rapier, democrat. The latter's attorneys have raised an entirely new point of law, which Inspector Tate says has never been raised in his experience. Postmaster Rapier's commission expires in December, 1898. Mr. Barker was appointed by President McKinley in October last.

Mr. Rapier has had no notice of his removal, although Inspector Tate served upon him telegraphic instructions from Postmaster General Gary saying Rapier should acknowledge Barker's commission as notice of removal, no other notice being customary with the department.

Mr. Rapier's attorneys hold that the language of the statute relating to postmasters of the first class is special; that it provides that the president shall appoint and may remove such officers by and with the advice of the senate. Consequently, as Mr. Rapier's commission had not expired, and Mr. Barker's appointment has not been confirmed by the senate, nor Mr. Rapier's removal confirmed by the same body, Rapier is still postmaster.

AS A COTTON MARKET

Birmingham Will Have a Place Among the Great Centers.

Secretary Hester, of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, has written the Commercial club of Birmingham that if statistics on cotton receipts are regularly furnished him that Birmingham will be listed on the exchange among the interior towns. These statistics will be furnished by the local cotton buyers, who have also been in correspondence with Secretary Hester, and henceforth Birmingham will be known as a great cotton market, as well as the leading iron, coal and industrial market of the south. The cotton receipts this year will probably reach 150,000 bales, which will give Birmingham about fifth place among the interior towns of the south. If the increase continues at the same ratio, in the next few years as it has in the past. Birmingham will rank even higher.

Announced His Candidacy.

Hon. L. W. Hunter, of Lowndes county, late receiver of public moneys under the Cleveland administration, has announced his candidacy for the democratic nomination for state commissioner of agriculture.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

An ice plant is being erected at Daphne.

A foundry and machine shop will be erected at LaFayette.

The Florence Buggy Company has asked for a receiver.

Lauderdale's cotton crop this year will exceed that of list by 25 per cent.

A branch station of the United States weather bureau has been located in Ashville, and they get daily reports on the weather.

An issue of $10,000 for 6 per cent twenty-year city of Huntsville bonds has been sold to Rudolph Kley, Bolt & Co., of Cincinnati, for $10,926. The city will devote this sum to street improvements.

The Bell Telephone Company has had estimates made on a line from Anniston to Birmingham and will go to work at once to make this extension of its line. It will also extend its line from Anniston to Atlanta.

The gin of James Wilder, of Blue Pond, was totally destroyed by fire, together with four bales of seed cotton, three bales already ginned, and 2,600 bushels of cotton seed. It is supposed to have been the work of incendiaries.

The result of the late election in the Second regiment, Alabama National Guard, has at last been announced. Adjutant-General Ligon issued an order announcing the unanimous election of Tom O. Smith, of Birmingham, as major of the regiment.

The state convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which was postponed on account of the epidemic, has served notice that the meeting will be held at New Decatur in the latter part of this month. The session will last one week.

Refugee and Military Camp Suggested.

Governor Johnston has made a suggestion which will likely be received in the State with a good deal of favor. It is briefly this: That the State establish, at some central point, a permanent combination State encampment ground and refugee camp. It is estimated that this can be easily done at a cost of $10,000.

The governor has not defined in his own mind all of the details of the scheme, but his idea appears to be to locate some entirely desirable place, build three commodious and permanent cooking houses, storage rooms, etc., and to provide and keep stored away on the premises tents sufficient to accommodate some 30,000 people.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR DECEMBER 12.

Lesson Text: "Paul's Last Words," II Tim. iv., 1-8, 16, 18—Golden Text: II Tim. vi., 7—Commentary on the Lesson by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

1. "I charge thee therefore God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom." These are some of the last words of Paul by the Spirit to Timothy, his dearly beloved son in the faith (chapter i., 2), of whom he said that he had no man so dear unto him (Phil. ii., 20, margin). He had been urging him to be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; to endure hardness as a good soldier and please Him who had chosen him; to study to show himself approved unto God.

2. "Preach the word. Be instant in season, out of season. Reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine." In chapter iii., 16, 17, he had said that all Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable that the man of God may be thoroughly furnished unto all good works, and now he extorts him to use that word faithfully, the word which he had known from childhood (iii., 15). Paul teaches to hold fast the faithful word (Titus i., 9); to hold forth the word of life (Phil. ii., 16), and to rightly divide the word of truth (II Tim. ii., 15).

3. "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears." How long we have already been in those times I cannot say, but that we are in them no one can question. Lovers of self, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof (chapter iii., 1-4), are things too plainly seen. Some men who have the rule in church affairs do not hesitate to ask for pastors who will give them the thought of the age rather than the word of God, and there are pastors who are more ready to please the people than to preach the preaching which God bids them. False prophets as in the olden time.

4. "And they shall turn away their ears from the truth and shall be turned unto fables." Then because they receive not the love of the truth that they might be saved, God shall send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie that they all might be judged who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness (II Thess. ii., 10-12). It is surely a woeful sight to see large congregations gather to listen to those who discard portions of the word of God and call other portions myths.

5. "But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry." There is no pattern for a minister or evangelist but the Lord Jesus Himself. He was filled with the Spirit, led by the Spirit, spoke the words which the Father told Him and did always those things which pleased the Father (John xii., 49; viii., 29). When He suffered, He said, "Even so, Father," and He finished the work which the Father gave Him to do (Math. xi., 26; John xvii., 4).

6. "For I am now ready to be offered and the time of my departure is at hand." Long before this He had said, "I am ready—not to be bound only, but also to die for the name of the Lord Jesus" (Acts xxi., 13). It was His constant desire that Christ should be magnified in His body whether by life or death (Phil. i., 20). He knew that to die would be gain and to be with Christ would be very far better (Phil. i., 21, 23). But now He seemed sure that He was soon going home. He speaks of it as His departure. The body would die, the tabernacle be taken down, but he, Paul, the person in the body, would depart to be with Christ, and would be absent from the body and present with the Lord.

7. "I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith." It is the fight of faith, and the life of faith, and the walk of faith (I Tim. vi., 12; Gal. ii., 20; Col. ii., 6). It is believing God all the way through and all that He has said. As Paul put it elsewhere, "Believing all things that are written in the law and in the prophets" (Acts xxiv., 14). It is not a faith that can ever be made to suit the times. As Dr. Weston says, "If Christ taught as many teach He would never have been crucified for it." We must earnestly contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints, and remember that Paul said, "If any one, even an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel, let him be accursed" (Jude iii.; Gal. i., 8, 9).

8. "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day, and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing." Crowns, as I understand it, are rewards for service to be given to those who earn them, that they may have somewhat to cast at His feet in that day (Rev. iv., 10). They are not given to us when we die, but only at the appearing of our Lord at the resurrection of the just (Luke xiv., 14; I Pet. v., 4; Rev. xxii., 12). I have often referred to the other four to be given to the faithful for four distinct kinds of service, but this one is for those who in all their service carry with them a certain attitude of soul—viz, loving His appearing. When He comes to the air for His people, I firmly believe that every saint will meet Him, but many may be ashamed and many receive no crowns (I John ii., 28; I Cor. iii., 14, 15).

16. "At my first answer no man stood with me, but all forsook me." To stand alone for the right is intimate fellowship with our Lord, who said to the eleven, "Ye shall be scattered and shall leave Me alone, and yet I am not alone, for the Father is with Me" (John xvi., 32). David was awfully alone when his faithful 600 turned against him and talked of stoning him, he being at the time in like painful circumstances with themselves, but it is written that David encouraged himself in the Lord his God (I Sam. xxx., 6).

17. "Nothwithstanding the Lord stood with Me and strengthened me, that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the gentiles might hear, and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion." He hath said I will never leave thee nor forsake thee, so that we may boldly say the Lord is my helper (Heb. xiii., 5, 6). Happy are those who can say from the heart, "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid, for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song." (Isa. xii., 2).

18. "And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me unto His heavenly kingdom, to whom, be glory for ever and ever. Amen." Yet in the face of this and Phil. i., 6, and II Tim. i., 12, and similar strong assurances, there are those who insist that Paul feared lest after all he might be lost. Perish the thought that any true child of God can ever perish!—Lesson Helper.

A Sheriff Resigns.

George F. Hart, sheriff of Covington county, has sent his resignation to the governor. It is understood that Hart surrendered the place because he could not give satisfaction.

THE WEEKLY NEWS.

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SALUTATORY.

It is customary for the new occupant of an editorial chair, the chair in this case being an empty dry-goods box, to take the public into his confidence as to his views and purposes; so I conform to custom.

I have been in the past, am now and always shall be an ardent bimetallist. I believe that instead of retiring the $356,000,000. of greenbacks now in circulation, more should be issued as the population and volume of trade increase. I believe in a tariff on the necessaries of the people sufficiently high to maintain the wages of the American workingmen who manufacture them, but no more; while on the foreign made luxuries of the idle rich a prohibitory tariff should be levied. On minor questions, as they may arise, I shall express my honest opinion.

My immediate and chief purpose is the upbuilding of the town of Montevallo and the Girls' Polytechnic Institute, which adorns it. Governor Johnston said to me the other day that within five years from now that school would accommodate and have one thousand pupils. In that event, Montevallo will have a population of five thousand at the expiration of five years.

I wish every one resident in the country tributary to Montevallo to know that his visits and his news will always be alike welcome at this office.

I desire no subscription from anyone who "simply subscribes to keep up the paper," nor any advertisement from anyone who does not believe his expenditure will bring him adequate returns.

I ask appreciation of all in this paper that is worthy, and outspoken condemnation of whatever may be unworthy.

A. S. CARRUTHERS.

If you cannot speak well of another, say nothing evil.

Petty jealousies are out of place in a community striving to grow.

General Miles asks for more soldiers. He had better acquire some horse sense first.

Whiskey is not needed in Montevallo. The fresh mountain air is sufficiently stimulating.

The public did not name Cleveland's son correctly, but they know what to call his father.

Why not complete the incorporation of Montevallo? Incorporation is invariably a sign of progress.

The gold "Democrats" are wailing because the silver Democrats will not let the financial question sleep. No wonder!

Tennyson's dream of a female educational paradise will be realized when 1,000 fair maidens answer the call of the college bell.

Those who are selling their cotton for 5 cents take some comfort in the thought that every cotton producing State voted for Bryan and 10 cent cotton.

In several places in this issue, periods usurp the place of commas. The paper is short on commas, but long on periods. Next week they will be at a parity.

If some men spent as much time attending to their own affairs as they devote to those of others, they would find that their increased business would permit them no time for gossiping.

It is gratifying to know that farmers in the Birmingham district realize that better prices are paid in Montevallo than in the Magic City for cotton, and are marketing their product here.

The Montgomery Advertiser has gone into ecstacies over what it styles "The vindication of Grover Cleveland's wisdom."

Pray when did Grover Cleveland acquire any wisdom?

Well, it is time for the howling law and order people of the North to come down and attend to the negroes. Three of them lynched one of their own race the other day.—Columbiana Chronicle.

Mr. J. L. Peters is the candidate of Shelby's democracy for circuit judge, and they want him to win and will exert themselves to the accomplishment of so desirable a result.—Shelby Sentinel.

A young lady found a purse in church and notified the pastor that she had it, so if anyone reported the loss it could be returned. The next Sunday the clergyman made the following announcement from the pulpit: "Someone lost a purse last Sunday evening, and if the owner wants his property he can go to Helen Hunt for it."—Greensboro Watchman.

If the arrogant gold-bugs persist in their plan to place a life-size golden statute of Mark Hanna's puppet, McKinley, in the American court at the Paris exposition, the advocates of silver should raise a popular subscription and place beside it a silver statute of W. J. Bryan. The latter would have less intrinsic value, but would be the more handsome of the two.

President McKinley's message to Congress is just what might have been expected from a man who was elected to office by a combination of trusts and monopolies, and over whose head hangs like the sword of Damocles an uncancelled debt of $118,000. He evades the Cuban question, hedges on civil service reform, advises retirement of the greenbacks, praises the late useless monetary commission and only shows any American spirit in his recommenation that Hawaii be annexed. McKinley was an honest man, although mistaken on the tariff question, before his financial necessities made him the debtor and puppet of the soulless Mark Hanna. He must be tolerated until March, 1901, but is more to be pitied than execrated.

SEVEN POINTERS.

Rogan's for toys,
Rogan's for dolls,
Rogan's for fruits,
Rogan's for fireworks,
Rogan's for X'mas presents,
Rogan's for holiday goods,
Rogan's for china and glass ware.

New Orleans new crop molasses just received. H. C. & W. B. Reynolds.

The long looked for bill of the Christmas presents at Crowe and Co.'s store has arrived, so the girls can secure the articles they selected.

GIRLS' POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

(Concluded from Page 1.)

The School's Eventful Day.

would go before the next legislature and ask an appropriation of $50,000 for the Girls' Industrial school

"Every night when I kneel to my Creator, I pray for the girls of the Industrial school," he concluded, and the girls clapped until their little hands must have been sore.

Gov. Johnston followed with a happy speech. He said that the school was his pet, and wished the people of Alabama to make it their pet and foster it.

Among other things he said, "I thought at dinner that all the pretty girls had been picked out to wait on the tables, but as I look into your faces I realize that there are no ugly girls here. Many of you are daughters of my personal friends, but now I regard each and every one of you as my friend. It is a pleasure for me to be here, and I hope and know that the institution will grow until it is indeed 'The Pride of Alabama.'

"The education of Alabama's girls is even more important to the State of Alabama than that of her boys, for men are like jay-birds—here today and gone to morrow, but women are here to stay and mould the minds of the next generation. Those here should not have as their sole purpose the obtaining of an education, but should leave the institution upon graduation with the idea of a great mission in life.

"Your president, Mr. Reynolds, has unselfishly and devotedly done a great and noble work with the limited means placed at his command, but more buildings and a gymnasium (applause) are needed, and if it lies in my power they shall be built.

"Be as active in your bodies as in your minds, and as lovely in your minds as in your bodies."

He concluded by saying with a humorous twinkle of his eye, "Some of the young ladies have testified their affection for me, and if the whole 338 wish to give me a similar token of affection, I am prepared to receive it."

His conclusion was greeted with much laughter and applause. after which the pupils marched out to the strains of music.

In conversation with the writer, Gov. Johnston afterwards stated that he was pleasingly surprised at the work accomplished by President Reynolds. He left shortly afterwards for Birmingham.

THE EVENING'S AMUSEMENT.

The school chapel was filled at 7.30 p. m. by an expectant throng. After all had joined in singing the national anthem, Miss Carrie Lum, who has a clear and sympathetic voice, sang "Snowflakes" very sweetly.

President Reynolds introduced Judge J. J. Banks as the lecturer of the evening, and stated that to the recently organized Nautilus club was due all credit for Judge Banks' visit.

Judge Banks lectured on Mexico, describing a trip which he had taken into that republic in 1895. His language was chaste and beautiful, verging upon poetry in some of his descriptions of scenery, and his account of a bull fight was so vivid that his auditors listened with bated breath. His semi-humorous, yet truthful story of a Mexican courtship witnessed by him was most interesting to the young ladies, and when he stated that the Mexican lover was not permitted a private interview with his inamorata until after marriage, some of the girls cried, "Oh, oh!" As a master of oratory Judge Banks proved himself the peer of any man in Alabama, and the long continued clapping with which his fair audience rewarded him must have pleased him exceedingly.

Miss Mamie Brown, who is one of the loveliest of Montevallo's lovely girls, looked in her pure white dress like a pearl as she sweetly sang, "Whisper and I shall hear."

The day of excitement and pleasure was concluded by a short speech from President Reynolds, in which he expressed his gratification at the enconiums bestowed upon the school by the trustees, and felicitated the pupils upon their excellent showing.

The young ladies, after shaking the hand of Judge Banks until he must have imagined himself Bryan, went to their several boarding-houses to enjoy pleasant dreams, leaving President Reynolds a proud and happy man.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Miss Kate Campbell leads all the other ladies of Montevallo in the Age-Herald's voting contest.

The young ladies desiring heavier soles on their foot gear in this cold weather should call on Pynor, the shoemaker, Montevallo News building.

A card bearing the admonitory legend, "I am late," stood on the pulpit of Methodist church last Sunday. Misses Kate Campbell and Wilma Saunders appreciated its significance.

Misses Bernice and Annie Dickson returned on Dec. 4th to their home in Montgomery. Their departure is much regretted by the many friends which they made while here, especially by their associates in the Polytechnic club.

The pupils in the dressmaking department earned and collected for work done in the month of November the sum of $130.65, more than all paid for tuition in that department. The amounts received by the several girls ranged from 50 cents to $20. Considerable work is now being received from various parts of the State, including wedding dresses and other outfits.

The young ladies of the Girls' Polytechnic Institute are invited to subscribe for a copy of the Montevallo News, either for themselves or their friends at home. Subscriptions will be received by H. C. & W B. Reynolds, F. F. Crowe & Co., or at the Montevallo News office.

The girls have a new ditty which they sing at 5 p. m. The refrain is something like this:

"Are you coming home to eat?
Are you coming home to eat?
Are you coming home to supper,
There are biscuits, hash and meat;
Are you coming home to eat?
Are you coming home to eat?
To your ever welcome supper,
Are you coming home to eat?"

One would think that the postoffice had already been removed to the store of F. F. Crowe & Co., judging from the swarms of girls who visit it every evening. However, the sweet creatures are only attracted by the dainty Christmas presents which he exhibits, and which comprise the finest assortment of glassware, china ware and other nick-nacks ever brought to Montevallo. The girls may club together and buy one for the editor, if they please.

Girls, when you want to catch a train at Calera, go to Kroell's livery stable for a conveyance. Office at store. Special rates to school girls.

J. A. F. Pynor, shoemaker, who left Montevallo about six weeks since, has returned to his former love and has located in the same building as the Montevallo News, where he is in readiness to make and repair boots and shoes for every one who likes good foot gear.

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Local.

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Will Harrison says that "she" said last Sunday that he is a hot muck-a-dy-muck.

Harry Reynolds is suffering from a cold, but will be able to eat a whole turkey, at X'mas.

Mr. Fred Grove has a tale to tell about a cat, a tumble, three chairs and his wife. Ask him about it.

For choice Christmas presents, firewerks, dolls and other toys, candies and fruits, go to F. F. Crowe & Co.

A new livery stable will be started on January 1st by Messrs. L. N Bowdon and W. P. McConaughy, who are now purchasing horses, rigs, etc.

Big lot of after dinner coffee spoons—cheap. at J. W. Martin's.

The trustees complimented all employed at the school upon their work, but especially Mrs. Babb, Secretary Gibson, Prof. Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Farrington.

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Geo. Lawrence is confined to his bed with a bad cold, verging upon pneumonia. His brother, W. B Lawrence, of the Southern Railway. is here in attendance upon him.

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A LESSON ON ORNITHOLOGY OF THE BIBLE

Drawn by Dr. Talmage—His Sermon an Extract from Christ's Sermon on the Mount—God Among the Fowls of the Air.

TEXT: "Bear ye one another's burdens."—Gal. vi., 2.

Every one is a burden bearer, having his load of want, suffering and responsibility.

Some appear so fortunate that we doubt whether they share in the sorrows of mankind. They have wealth, friends, health, wisdom and virtue. What can their burden be? They have at least a responsibility commensurate with their blessings; and, perhaps, if we knew more of their lives, seemingly so blessed, we would find that they also have a burden, all the heavier because borne in secret.

Men often think that if they could change their circumstances, even slightly, they would escape trouble, but this is an illusion. The sick recover health, the poor become rich, the lowly gain the coveted positions of honor, and their common testimony is that having gained these advantages their burdens are no less heavier. In fact, the normal condition of man is that of a burden bearer. We "are born into trouble as the sparks fly upward."

How can this fact of burden bearing be reconciled with our belief in a heavenly Father? Some contend that all suffering is due to sin; that if man had not sinned he would have had no burden. Jesus, however, repudiates this thought. For when the Jews asked Him: Who did sin, this man or his parents, that he was born blind? He answered, Neither. Much suffering comes indeed as the punishment of sin, but some suffering has its source in the exercise of our holiest affections, as that of a mother bearing the burden of an unfortunate or wayward child.

In seeking further for a solution to this problem we find that the really great men of the world bear its heaviest burdens, so that, it is said, "a man's greatness may be measured by his sufferings." Burden bearing enables a man to do two things—to test his strength and by using to increase it. And what splendid characters have thus been developed! Widows in poverty giving their all! Martyrs of the sick room showing marvelous patience! Heroes of the faith made such by their struggles with unbelief! Did not God intend such results? Then that is the reason why He sometimes lays on men such heavy burdens.

This leads up to the explanation of burden bearing suggested in the text—"Bear ye one another's burdens." The picture of the world's sorrow is very dark, but it has in it a bit of blue sky, through which faith looks up and beholds the eternal goodness.

Burdens are put upon men that they may help one another bear them. Without suffering how could we realize our dependence upon God or feel the need of human sympathy and love? No opportunity would be given to help a fellow man in trouble or to sigh in pity over misery beyond our relief.

Grant, then, that the chief reason why men have burdens is that they may help one another, how great is the duty laid upon us. In the fulfilment of that duty two ways are suggested. Those that are able may take the burden from weaker shoulders and bear it themselves. St. Paul says, "We that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak." Or strength may be given to those upon whom the burden is laid to bear it themselves. The latter is the more effective aid. A word of instruction, an act of kindness or an expression of sympathy is sometimes all that is needed.

A teacher once refused to take the advice of the committee and expel a bad boy from school. The boy, knowing of his teacher's confidence, began to do better, and continued with such perseverance that he afterward became eminent. He was thrice elected Governor of New York and once to the United States Senate. He was also under one President Secretary of War and under another Secretary of State. A word of encouragement proved to be the turning point in the life of William L. Marcy. How many may have failed because of the lack of such a word?

There is an Eastern legend that runs thus: In a forest near a great city a golden ball was let down out of heaven every day at noontime, and whoever should touch this ball, it was said, would acquire certain wonderful virtues. So many tried to reach it. But it was always lifted just above them. One day there was in the crowd waiting for the descent of the ball an old man and a little boy. And the old man said to the others: "If to-day none of us can reach the ball, let us lift up this child so that he may touch it and receive the blessing." Acting on this counsel, when the tallest of them could not reach the ball, they stood together and lifted up the boy till, with his tiny hand, he touched the golden ball and, lo! not the boy only, but every person forming the living pyramid felt the thrill and received the magic gift.

So it is, my friends, in life. When men stand together, shoulder to shoulder, bearing one another's burdens, then God bestows upon them His best blessings.

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GOD AMONG THE BIRDS.

Rev. Dr. Talmage on Ornithology of the Bible.

TEXT: "Behold the fowls of the air."—Matthew vi., 26.

My text is an extract from the Sermon on the Mount, and perhaps it was at a moment when a flock of birds flew past that Christ waved His hand toward them and said: "Behold the fowls of the air." That is, study their habits. Examine their colors. Notice their speed. See the hand of God in their construction. They are almost human, for they have their loves and hates, affinities and antipathies, understand joy and grief, have conjugal and maternal instincts, wage wars, and entertain jealousies, have a language of their own and powers of association.

Thank God for birds, and skies full of them. It is useless to expect to understand the Bible unless we study natural history. They were at the creation placed all around on the rocks and in the trees and on the ground to serenade Adam's arrival. They took their places on Friday, as the first man was made on Saturday. Whatever else he had or did not have, he should have music. The first sound that struck the human ear was a bird's voice.

As a bird first heralded the human race into the world, now a bird will help the human race back to the world that had shipped a sea that had overwhelmed everything. Noah stands on Sunday morning at the window of the ark, in his hand a cooing dove, so gentle, so innocent, so affectionate, and he said: "Now, my little dove, fly away over these waters, explore, and come back and tell us whether it is safe to land. It was a bird that told them when to take possession of the resuscitated planet. So the human race were saved by a bird's wing; for, attempting to land too soon, they would have perished.

Isaiah compares the desolations of banished Israel to an owl and bittern and cormorant among a city's ruins. Would the prophet illustrate the fate of fraud, he points to a failure at incubation, and says: "As the partridge sitteth on eggs and hatcheth them not, so he that getteth riches and not by right shall leave them in the midst of his days and at his end shall be a fool."

The quickest way to amass a fortune is by iniquity, but the trouble is about keeping it. Every hour of every day some such partridge is driven off the nest. Panics are only a flutter of partridges. It is too tedious work to become rich in the old-fashioned way, and if a man can by the falsehood make as much as by ten years of hard labor, why not tell it, and if one counterfeit check will bring the dollars as easily as a genuine issue, why not make it?

But yonder in this Bible sky flies a bird that is speckled. The prophet describing the church, cries out: "Mine heritage is unto me as a speckled bird, the birds round about are against her." So it was then; so it is now. Holiness picked at. Consecration picked at. Benevolence picked at. Usefulness picked at. A speckled bird is a peculiar bird, and that arouses the antipathy of all the beaks of the forest. The church of God is a peculiar institution, and that is enough to evoke attack of the world, for it is a speckled bird to be picked at. The inconsistencies of Christians are a banquet on which multitudes get fat. They ascribe everything you do to wrong motives. Put a dollar in the poor box, and they will say that he dropped it there only that he might hear it ring. Invite them to Christ, and they will call you a fanatic. Let there be contention among Christians, and they will say: "Hurrah! the church is in decadence." Christ intended that His church should always remain a speckled bird.

Disaster, failure in business, disappointment, bereavement, is God's way of shaking us out of our comfortable nest in order that we may learn to fly. You who are complaining that you have no faith or courage or Christian zeal have had it too easy. You never will learn to fly in that comfortable nest. Like an eagle, Christ has carried us on His back. At times we have been shaken off, and when we were about to fall He came under us again and brought us out of the gloomy valley to the sunny mountain. Never an eagle brooded with such love and care over her young as God's wings have been over us.

Across what oceans of trouble we have gone in safety upon the Almighty wings. From what mountains of sin we have been carried and at times have been borne up far above the gunshot of the world and the arrow of the devil. When our time on earth is closed, on these great wings of God we shall speed with infinite quickness from earth's mountains to heaven's hills, and as from the eagle's circuit under the sun, men on the ground seem small and insignificant as lizards on a rock, so all earthly things shall dwindle into a speck and the raging seas of death so far beneath will seem smooth and glassy as a Swiss lake. Oh, the goodness of God in showing the birds how to build their nest! What carpenters, what masons, what weavers, what spinners the birds are! Out of what small resources they make what an exquisite home, curved, pillared, wreathed. Out of mosses, out of sticks, out of lichens, out of horse hair, out of spiders' web, out of threads swept from the door by the housewife, out of the wool of the sheep in the pasture field. Upholstered by leaves actually sewed together by its own sharp bill. Cushioned with feathers from its own breast. Mortared together with the gum of trees and the saliva of its own tiny bill. Such symmetry, such geometry of structure.

Surely these nests were built by some plan. They did not just happen so. Who draughted the plan for the bird's nest? God. And do you not think that if He plans such a house for a chaffinch, for an oriole, for a bobolink, for a sparrow, He will see to it that you always have a home? "Ye are of more value than many sparrows." Whatever else surrounds you, you can have what the Bible calls "the feathers of the Almighty." Just think of a nest like that, the warmth of it, the softness of it, the safety of it—"the feathers of the Almighty." No flamingo outflashing the tropical sunset ever had such brilliancy of pinion; no robin redbreast ever had plumage dashed with such crimson and purple and orange and gold—"the feathers of the Almighty." Do you not feel the touch of them now on forehead and cheek and spirit, and was there ever such tenderness of brooding—"the feathers of the Almighty."

So also in this ornithology of the Bible God keeps impressing us with the anatomy of a bird's wing. Over fifty times does the old Book allude to the wing—"wings of a dove," "wings of the morning," "wings of the wind," "sun of righteousness, with healing in his wings," "wings of the Almighty," "all fowl of every wing." What does it all mean? It suggests uplifting. It tells you of flight upward. It means to remind you that you, yourself, have wings. David cried out, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove that I might fly away and be at rest." Thank God that you have better wings than any dove of longest and swiftest flight. Caged now in bars of flesh are those wings, but the day comes when they will be liberated. Get ready for ascension. Take the words of that old hymn, and to the tune unto which that hymn is carried sing:

Rise my soul and stretch thy wing,
Thy better portion trace.

Up out of these lowlands into the heavens of higher experience and wider prospect. But how shall we rise? Only as God's Holy Spirit gives us strength. But that is coming now. Not as a condor from a Chimborazo peak, swooping upon the affrighted valley, but as a dove like that which put its soft brown wings over the wet locks of Christ at the baptism in the Jordan. Dove of gentleness! Dove of peace!

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly dove,
With all thy quickening powers,
Come shed abroad a Saviour's love
And that shall kindle ours.

Cremation.

Among the ancient Greeks both cremation of the dead and burial in the earth were practiced, though it is uncertain which was the more common. The ashes of the dead were sacredly preserved in urns. Among the Jews burial prevailed, as it has since among Christian nations.

FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.

FINGERS START TO SCHOOL.

Here, little finger, you start this rhyme,
And don't be so poky and slow;
You, gold finger, begin on time,
And don't let one lesson go;
You middle finger, be good and kind,
Tho' you are so stout and tall;
You, forefinger, your teacher mind,
And don't think of playing ball;
You, little thumb, don't bob about,
But listen and be still;
And you, little hand, whate'er you do,
Do it with a will.

—Woman's Home Companion.

BATHING AN ELEPHANT.

F. Fitz Roy Dixon tells of "A Baby Elephant" that was captured by friends of his in Ceylon, in an article that he contributes to St. Nicholas. Mr. Dixon says:

Her daily bath afforded her great enjoyment. A broad, shallow stream, with a sandy bottom, flowed through the estate, and in a large pool Rengan used to scrub her down every day. Of course he went into the water also, and she would lie down and roll, sometimes with all four legs in the air, but always keeping the tip of her trunk out of the water so that she might have air to breathe. When she had done enough of this sort of nonsense, according to Rengan's idea, he used to make her come out and lie down on a sand-bar, and then he would scrub her down—a process of which she seemed highly to approve—after which she would be once more washed down, and then she would trot off beside her keeper, both clean and glistening, and remain a short while in her stable, whilst he went off for his dinner. He used to bring her back a handful of boiled rice, usually rolled up in a banana leaf, which she received with great satisfaction.

ISLAND THAT IS A BIG MAGNET.

One of the most dangerous places in all the seas is near the coast of Denmark, where there is a little island that goes by the name Bornholm. The seas do not run unusually high about it, nor are currents strong, but when the mariner approaches it the needle of his compass begins to act in the strangest and most unaccountable manner. Instead of pointing north, it switches around and points to Bornholm, so that if it happens to be dark and stormy the pilot may guide his ship straight on the rocks, thinking that he is making due north. This strange condition exists for the reason that Bornholm consists almost entirely of magnetite or magnetic iron, and it draws the compass needle like a powerful horseshoe magnet.

This influence is felt even at a distance of miles, and on the island being sighted by mariners on the Baltic sea they at once discontinue steering their course by the needle, and turn, instead, to the well-known lighthouses to direct their craft. Between Bornholm and the main land there is also a bank of rock under water which is very dangerous to navigation, and because of its being constantly submerged vessels have been frequently wrecked at that point. The peculiar fact in this case is that the magnetic influence of this ore bank is so powerful that a magnetic needle suspended freely in a boat over the bank will point down, and, if not disturbed, will remain in a perfectly perpendicular line.

HOW A BAD ELEPHANT IS WHIPPED.

Did you ever see an elephant whipped? I don't suppose you would ever forget it if you did. They frequently do it in India, because elephants are very obstreperous at times.

Recently an elephant, Abdul, was convicted by court-martial for killing his keeper, and sentenced to fifty lashes and two years' imprisonment.

Two elephants led Abdul to an open space, and in the presence of the whole battery the punishment began. The culprit trumpeted in fear, and made an unearthly noise.

There were fourteen elephants on one side, and the officers and men of the battery on the other three. In the centre of this hollow square stood Lalla (No. 1), the flogger, and the prisoner. The latter was chained by the four legs to as many heavy iron pegs, and could not move.

Fastened to Lalla's trunk was an immense cable chain. When all was ready the major gave the word, and down came the chain with a resounding whack. Abdul roared for all he was worth. Fifty times was the operation repeated, and then Abdul was taken to a compound, where he was to remain a prisoner for two years.

HOW THE SIX WENT HAYING.

Papa and mamma had gone to Florida, and that is how the six happened to be at grandpa's. There were Amy and Hugh; then came Paul and Polly, the twins: next sweet little Daisy, the darling of grandma's heart; and last, but by no means the least, Baby Joe, who was five, and greatly objected to being called baby.

Baby Joe had a round, freckled face, fiery red hair, and the faculty of always being in mischief when he wasn't eating. He hadn't been on the farm a day before he had fallen into the pig-pen, cut his fingers on a scythe, narrowly escaped being run over by the milk-wagon, tumbled off the haymow, and performed various other remarkable and dangerous exploits which filled grandma's gentle soul with horror.

"Good morning!" said grandpa, one bright day in November, as the six came down to breakfast, with Baby Joe bringing up the rear. "I wonder if I could find any children who would like to go haying with me to-day? Do you think you could find me some, Daisy?"

"Why, grandpa," said the little maid, wonderingly, "do people go haying in November?"

"Yes, indeed," replied grandpa, with a twinkle in his eye. "But what I want to know is, can I find any children to go?"

"Oh, we'll go!" cried five of the children, Baby Joe being too deeply engaged in his buckwheat-cakes and syrup to know what the conversation was about.

At last they were ready, warmly dressed by careful grandma, for there was quite a sharp wind blowing. They hurried outdoors, and there stood grandpa by the big hayrick, with Kerry and Kate, the fat, gray horses, harnessed to it. "Jump in!" he cried; and in they scrambled, laughing and shouting, and tumbling over each other in their eagerness. Just then grandma came out with a huge basket, which they stowed away in one corner, under a big fur robe, away from Baby Joe's prying eyes.

"Aren't you going to take the mowing machine?" said Hugh. "You can't cut hay without it, can you?"

"Oh, yes!" laughed grandpa. "We're going to rake hay to-day." As he said this he stowed four large rakes away in the hayrick, and left Hugh pondering over the mystery.

What a merry ride that was! To be sure, they had a few mishaps, for Baby Joe fell out of the team, and his loss was not discovered until a few moments afterward, when Amy, his especial guardian, missed him. They drove back a little way, and there lay Joe in the middle of the road, kicking and screaming lustily, but quite unhurt. He was picked up, and soon forgot his troubles in eating a large red apple which grandpa produced from his pocket.

Once when they were all standing up in the cart, it gave a sudden lurch, and they all fell in a heap; and poor Daisy bumped her head so hard that she was sure it must have cracked, but each one of the children assured her that it was just as good as ever, and she was comforted with another apple, which Joe insisted was the twin brother of his.

"Here we are!" shouted grandpa, as they entered the oak woods. "Jump out, all of you, and go to work raking hay. We can't have any idle children here."

They climbed out, and looked eagerly around.

"We don't see any hay," said Hugh. "There is nothing here but oak leaves."

Grandpa laughed heartily, and said, "These oak leaves are the hay I mean, children. I cover up my banks of celery with them to keep it from freezing, and after keeping them all winter, they will make an excellent fertilizer. So fall to work, and we'll see how soon that hayrick will be full."

The six did fall to work, and they worked with a will. They raked the leaves into piles; then the little ones put them into big baskets, which grandpa emptied into the hayrick. Baby Joe worked as hard as anybody, filling up his fat little arms with leaves, and stuffing them into the baskets.

After they had worked what seemed to them a very short time, grandpa called, "No more room, little haymakers! Look at the hayrick!" And sure enough, it was heaped high with red-brown leaves. The big fur robe was spread over the load, and the children were lifted up, one by one, and had great fun stamping and pressing down the leaves.

Then off they started, and the big basket was produced, and found to be full of apples and doughnuts. They munched merrily all the way home, and when they jumped down at the farmhouse gate, grandma came out to meet them, and said, laughing, "Well, children, was the haying party a success?"

And they cried, "O grandma, we never had half so much fun getting in real hay!"

A California Mine.

In a single mine in California, only a month ago, the owners took $40,000 in one day out of a pocket which they had discovered. It is not impossible that the total output of this mine in twelve months will exceed $1,000,000. A few months ago the property was unknown to the general public. In another county of California a mill run of only seventy tons of ore gave a yield of more than $10,000. In Mexico rich strikes are still being made. A company working near the City of Mexico is taking out $100,000 a month. Another mine in the same State is taking out $35,000 a month. The State of Sonora alone yielded more than $3,000,000 in gold last year. These mining districts may be reached by a journey of a week or two, and the chances for success to experienced men are as good as they are in the Klondike to-day.

SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

While excavating for a pond on the farm of L. V. Harkness, near Dixiana, Ky., recently, workmen discovered the bones of a mastodon.

Rarefied air has been found by Herr Levinstein to produce strong fatty degeneration of heart, liver and muscle with death through deficiency of oxygen.

It is proposed to erect a tablet in honor of Professor Giuseppi Sanarelli, the discoverer of the microbe of yellow fever, at the University of Sienna, which he is an alumnus.

It has been ascertained that the pith of the sunflower is the lightest solid known, its specific gravity being 0.02, while that of elder pith—hitherto regarded as the lightest substance, is 0.09. Cork is 0.24.

That certain beetles are by no means frightened by lead foil has long been recognized, but it is rather discouraging to add one more to the number of these culprits. Ed. Stich of Nauheim reports that a box somewhat worn eaten was lined with lead. After awhile holes one-eighth of an inch in diameter, and distinctly spiral, were noticed, and traced to the beetle Tetropium luridum, Linn., which was not yet on the list of lead eaters, but rather lead destroyers. A cousin of this insect has been known to be destructive to lead chambers. There are, unfortunately, many insects and animals devoid of that sense for the sacred rights of property which we expect of everybody but ourselves.

The most important feature of the present Anglo-Egyptian expedition against the Mahdi is the successful sinking of wells in the desert between Wady-Halfa and Abu-Hamed. The presence of water at such a distance from the Nile has never been suspected either by Europeans or natives, and bids fair to revolutionize not only the desert tribes, but the entire condition of desert life. Indeed, the problem of converting the great African deserts into fertile territory seems to be at length in a fair way toward solution not by means of letting in the sea, as proposed by Count de Lesseps, but by the sinking of wells. Water is evidently to be found everywhere in the African deserts, provided one digs deep enough.

Saw His Heart Beat.

Last November, James Hall, a young man at Shelbyville, Ind., while hunting, accidentally discharged his shotgun while the barrels were resting in an oblique position across the left breast. The result of the accident was that the flesh and the ribs covering the chest cavity were torn away, exposing to full view the pericardium, revealing the motion of the heart. The physicans who were first called said Hall would die in a few hours. Another physician from this city was called and saved his life. To cover the hole where the ribs and flesh were shot away a silver plate was fastened to the ends of the exposed ribs. Skin-grafting did the rest. Hall at that time was sixteen years old and possessed of a wonderful physique. His case is the second one on record where a man saw his own heart beat and lived to tell the story. The leading medical publications of this country and Europe secured detailed accounts of the case and the treatment.

Hall had always been a pretty good kind of a boy, but there were better ones. He faced death with courage. During his long sickness his disposition seemed to undergo a change, and now he has signified his intention of becoming a minister. His parents are poor, but they have managed to secure some money, and he is now ready to start to college.—Indianapolis News.

The Ink Bacillus.

An interesting discovery was recently made at Leipzig, namely, the ink bacillus, as it has been named. It has often happened that dangerous blood poisoning has been caused by wounding one's self with an inky steel pen. In Professor Marpman's bacteriological institute they have succeeded in finding the micro-organism in ink which excites the blood. It has been ascertained that many inks, particularly school inks, contain bacteria. Out of fifty-seven different kinds—most of them made with gall—the majority contained bacteria. School inks colored with an aniline dye, even though the bottle had only just been opened, contained the micro-organisms already mentioned, and the number of bacilli was the greater the longer the ink had been exposed to the air. From such an aniline ink, which had been in an open inkstand for three months, a specific bacillus was isolated and mice were inoculated with it. After four days they died of blood poisoning. The fact that gall-apple inks get covered with mold is a very old fact indeed—now the ink bacillus is known.

Getting His Account Straight.

Bob Borrower—According to my memorandum book I owe ten dollars.

Lon Lenditt (nervously)—No, Bob—it is only five.

Bob Borrower—The deuce, you say. Then just let me have another V to straighten out my book, will you?—Puck.

A complete electric plowing plant has been installed on a French estate.

Mammoth Gun Casting.

The largest gun casting ever made in this country was cast at the ordnance department of the Bethlehem Iron Company Thursday morning. The casting is for the tube of a sixteen-inch gun for the United States Government. It is nineteen feet six inches long, octagonal in shape and seventy-four inches in diameter.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

According to the latest German colonial budget, every dollar's worth of colonial trade costs Germany 75 cents, and every colonial settler costs the empire $1,000 a year. At that rate a great colonial empire will be a costly thing.

Germany and Spain are now connected by a submarine cable 1,250 miles long, the ends of which are at Emden and Vigo. It is the first link in a series of lines to be extended to Brazil and to the United States by way of the Azores.

A learned scientist says that the whole human body is full of microbes, and that a person is healthy as long as his microbes are in good condition. The question now is, What can a fellow take that will always be good for his microbes?

A county fair in Maine was slimly attended for the reason that it didn't advertise. The results would have been different if the management had used a column in each county paper for the three weeks preceding the fair to herald its attractions.

Picture dealers say there has been in recent years an increased demand for pictures of a patriotic character. There was, for example, an increased demand for pictures of Washington. The revival of patriotic feeling thus indicated he attributed largely to the growth and influence of patriotic societies.

An English paper tells of a clergyman who had two curates, with the older of whom he was at swords' points. On being appointed to another living, he decided to take with him the younger curate, whom he liked, and when he came to preach his farewell sermon he chose as his text, "Abide ye here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder and worship."

Newspapers may soon be used in the Kansas City public schools as text-books. At the regular meeting of the local school board, J. M. Greenwood, superintendent of schools, instructed the principals to keep up an interest in current events and to encourage the reading of good newspapers. "I will introduce a system whereby newspapers will be used as text-books a little later," said Mr. Greenwood to a reporter. "I am getting the teachers prepared for it now."

The National Congress of German Journalists and Writers has just met in convention at Leipsic, and has formulated a protest against the methods of punishing editors which existing statutes prescribe. They are put on a par with thieves and murderers, and kept in chains in dungeons, and are fed on the same food as common criminals. It is no wonder that they petition the Reichstag to abate the rigor of these ordinances, though what will come of their petition remains to be seen.

In order that wide-spread measures may be taken to prevent the recurrence of the terrible disaster at the charity bazaar in Paris, it is proposed to hold an international congress of experts in that city, together with an exhibition of fire-extinguishing apparatus, etc., the scientific discussions being accompanied by practical illustrations. Makers of fire-engines are invited to send exhibits, and architects, engineers, inventors and others are asked to forward plans or designs for safeguarding theatres, concert-rooms and other buildings.

Has it ever occurred to you, inquires The Pathfinder, to what a large extent the various members of the human body have suggested the nomenclature of the mechanical arts? A bicycle alone has a neck, head, backbone, etc. Other machines of various kinds have arms, legs, fingers, hands, wrists, elbows, eyes, ears, noses, cheeks, mouths, teeth, tongues, lips, ribs, eyes, feet, etc. There is nothing more natural or logical than to apply the name of a familiar feature of the human body to a mechanical part closely simulating it in form or function.

A French sculptor, Pietre Roche, has invented an ingenious way of producing snow statues that will not melt. He noticed that in ice-making machines the pipes containing the liquified gases were covered with snow, and applied the same principles to copper statues made hollow and filled with freezing fluid. The moisture from the atmosphere forms on the metal in a few moments as a coating of snow, and is prevented from thawing by the freezing mixture. Many exquisite effects can be obtained in this way, and for the decoration of ball-rooms on a midsummer night the snow statuary must be ideal.

A sensation has been created by the discovery that both the Austrian and Italian governments are busy day and night constructing the most costly and elaborate fortifications at the points where the empire and the kingdom meet in the Southern Tyrol and in the neighborhood of Pontebba. This, it would appear, means that neither at Vienna nor at Rome is there much confidence on the part of the authorities in the extension of the existing Triple Alliance, since allies do not, as a rule, consider it necessary to adopt such means of defending their dominions against one another. There are no fortifications of any kind along the frontier of Germany and Austria. Why should there be any on the Austro-Italian boundary line?

It is quite astonishing how many games were originally invented and are to-day practised by people we are accustomed to think of as savages. The Canadian game of lacrosse originated among the North American Indians. Wallace tells us how in Borneo one wet day he thought to amuse his Dyak boys by showing them cat's cradle, but he found that they not only knew it, but knew more intricate figures than he. The Maoris of New Zealand actually have a sort of pictorial history in cat's cradle figures of twisted fiber. The Sandwich Islanders play a kind of draughts. The South Sea peoples nearly all are adepts at kite flying. Polo comes from Persia and is played magnificently by wild hill tribes from northern India.

In his recent address before the English church congress the Archbishop of Canterbury gave some advice to workingmen, speaking of himself as a workingman. He had been left fatherless, he said, at the age of thirteen, and had been urged to earn his own living since he was seventeen. He had known what it was to do without a fire because he could not afford one, and to wear patched clothes and boots. He learned to plough as straight a furrow as any man in the parish, and he could thrash as well as any man. If, he added, the workingman would practice self-restraint, would never waste his wages in drink, but find happiness in the love of home and family, he would feel little of the burdens of life or of the inequality, which was inevitable.

A German statistician has recently compiled figures as to the total number of newspapers printed during a year, which he estimates at 12,000,000,000 copies. To gather an adequate idea of this enormous quantity, it might be stated that all these papers spread out would more than cover all the continents and islands of the earth. The weight of the paper would amount to 781,240 tons. If this entire edition were to be printed by one single press, the largest and most rapid one now in use, the total edition would take 333 years to print. Stacked up vertically, this quantity would form a column 260,000 feet in height. Suppose that every reader devotes but five minutes per day to the reading of his newspaper, the time used by the total population of the earth would amount to 100,000 years.

The tiny but venerable and free republic of San Marino, in northern Italy, has come out of a diplomatic contest with big Italy victoriously. The question related to a new treaty in which Italy badly wanted to insert clauses providing for the extradition of socialists, anarchists and others, whose crimes, for want of a better name, may be classed as political. The presidents and senators strongly objected, on the ground that for something like 900 years San Marino had been free to all well-behaved comers. The Italian government pointed out that, as San Marino was only twenty-four square miles large, and surrounded by Italian territory, it might and almost certainly would, become an asylum for all kinds of desperadoes, who would abuse the republic's hospitality by plotting against the neighboring friendly state. The presidents and senators replied that San Marino would know how to deal with such ingrates.

British Empire, Asiatic.

A fact which we perhaps too often forget, remarks the London Graphic, is that numerically the British Empire is an Asiatic Empire. Of the 380,000,000 people in the whole empire India contributes 290,000,000. Nor does the Anglo-Saxon race or any white race figure as largely as we are apt to fancy in our colonial population. Canada and Australia are, indeed, white man's lands, but in South Africa the white man is in a distinct minority, while in West Africa and East Africa there are teeming poulations of blacks whose numbers can only be roughly guessed in millions. If these be deducted, it will be found that outside the United Kingdom there are only some 10,000,000 persons of European race in the British Empire, so that, putting the United Kingdom at 40,000,000 persons, we have altogether in the empire a population of 50,000,000 white and some 330,000,000 Asiatics and Africans.

Anecdote of Dana.

Once, when the late Editor Dana was on a visit to Atlanta he made the rounds of the "Constitution" office. In one of the editorial rooms he had to wade through a sea of discarded exchanges. Some apology was made for the littered condition of the room.

"I like to see it," he said, looking down on the scattered exchanges, "for it looks like business, and it means that work has been done. Keep it up, boys, keep it up!"—Atlanta Constitution.

A Maine man bought a new, latest improved magazine rifle and went out hunting. He encountered seven wild cats, emptied the magazine at them without effect, and threw the gun away and dispersed the felines with rocks.

Georgia Poetry.

A Georgia farmer has a son who writes verse, but is too modest to submit it for publication. One day, when the farmer was going to town, he took a bundle of poems along with him and handed them to an editor.

"They're pretty fair," said the editor. "His rhyme is all right, but there's something wrong with his feet."

"Well," said the farmer, "I won't deny it; he has got corns."

Washington Post: When a bank is wrecked hundreds of innocent persons are affected, many of them ruined. Suicides often follow, the savings of years are lost, the inheritance of widows and children is dissipated and the villain who is responsible for these disasters gets a few years in the penitentiary and is then pardoned and put into position to prey on the public again. The pleadings of influential citizens, or of a loving and persistent wife or daughter, will effect a pardon and the criminal walks the streets a free man. Such men are far more dangerous to a community than a known robber, and deserves less consideration.

Omaha Bee: The price of live stock has advanced ¾ of a cent a pound within the last few months. The retail price of beef has been raised from 2 to 6 cents a pound. If anybody can explain why this discrepancy in price exists the people of Omaha would like to hear from him.

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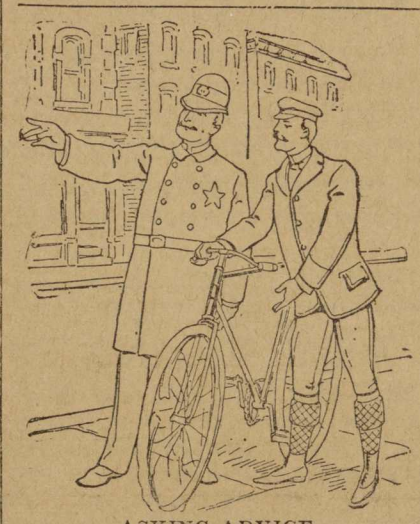

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THE CONDITION PRECEDENT FOR SENDING A GUESS at the Missing Word is that each and every guess must be accompanied by a year's subscription to THE WEEKLY CONSTITUTION; the guess must be sent in the identical envelope that brings the money that pays for the subscription; forgetting it, or leaving it out by accident or otherwise, or not knowing of the guess at the time you subscribed, or any other reason will not entitle one to send a guess afterwards. The guess must come with the subscription or not at all. Should a party send more than one guess, he or she will be entitled to a share of the fund for each correct guess sent; there will be no capital prize—every one will get a first prize. Persons may guess as many times as they send subscriptions.

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Since October the merchants of Montevallo have had to pay freight rates greatly in excess of those paid by Birmingham merchants. Means can be adopted which will put an end to this discrimination. To discuss this and other matters of vital importance to the business men of Montevallo, a meeting of all such is called for Monday, Dec. 27th, 1897, at 2 p. m., in the office of Mr. James M. Reynolds.

BY ORDER.

MAPLESVILLE.

James DuBose, who for the past four months has been attending lectures on dentistry at Atlanta, has returned home to spend the holidays with his parents and friends.

T. U. Crumpton gave a capital dinner to the M. & O. R. R. officials and clerks Sunday evening at two o'clock. Civil engineers and many others of the construction corps from all parts of the new road partook of Mr. Crumpton's hospitality. All enjoyed themselves immensely.

Miss Annie Jones has returned home from a visit to Birmingham Junction, much to the delight of her many friends.

The many friends of D. C. Savage and family sympathize with them in their bereavement in the loss of their son, Homer.

Ensley Cooper conducted prayer-meeting Sunday night.

D. C. Savage, of Montevallo, was in town Monday.

Burglars entered the residence of T. U. Crumpton Saturday night about 12.30 o'clock. They went through safes, cupboards, etc., and tried to open Mr. Crumpton's door, but found it secured on the inside. They then essayed to enter another room, but were frightened away by screams from one of the inmates of the house. The only thing they took was a large piece of cake. The burglars were evidently Republicans, because they did not take the silverware which was on the table. Probably they were Prohibitionists, for they did not take any wine, although there were several kinds of fine wines easy of access. It is thought that they were professionals and only wanted money. One carried a dark lantern.

One of our boys was sadly disappointed Sunday because by the late arrival of the Selma train he missed seeing his "girl".

J. Waller Graham spent a pleasant Sunday eveninig with Miss "Abney," his best girl.

John Foshee and his lovely bride arrived Friday evening from Montevallo. Mrs. Foshee was well known here as Miss Bessie Savage, and she is welcomed back to Maplesville.

Her friends are sorry to hear that Miss Lily Savage is on the sick list. They sincerely hope for her recovery.

Wishing all the readers of the Montevallo News a merry Christmas and happy New Year,

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An election was held here last Monday on the question of license or no license. The vote in favor of saloons was three times that of the anti saloon men.

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Sam Large, of Calera, is here on a visit to his mother.

Frank Cunningham, of Dogwood, visited his Montevallo friends on Monday.

John Hunter, Maylene's arbiter of fashion, graced Montevallo with his presence last Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Hargrove, of Maylene, made Montevallo their Christmas shopping point last Friday.

Miss Ada Mulkey, one of Brierfield's belles, did her Christmas shopping in Montevallo last Friday.

Dr. R. C. Jones, Dogwood's coming medicus, bought his Christmas gifts in Montevallo last Monday.

The wife and mother of Henry Splawn spent Monday and considerable money in town buying goods for the holidays.

Dr. G. W. Shackelford, dentist, will visit Montevallo Monday, December 27th, to remain only three days. All who need dental work can find him at the St. George hotel. Dr. Shackelford's work speaks for itself, and to the people of Montevallo he needs no introduction.

Prof. J. F. Thomas spent a few hours in Montevallo on Monday. His attempt to establish a school at Bethlehem has failed because of want of children in some families and apathy on the part of the parents of others. He is open to teach school anywhere and should receive offers, as he is known as an educated, energetic pedagogue. His address is Jemison, Ala.

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DOGWOOD.

Frank Cunningham goes out West to see the girls now.

Pat Harrison went up to Ganadarque Sunday to see the girls.

Messrs. W. D. and John Lacey, of Maylene, were in town last week.

His many friends are glad to learn that Dr. H. W. Harrison is convalescing.

Dr. R. C. Jones, who is attending the medical college at Bessemer, has come down home to spend the holidays.

The Montevallo Lump Coal and Mining Co. are shipping a large quantity of fine coal from their mine at this place.

Messrs. Henry and Will Harrison contemplate going up to Highland and Birmingham to spend a few days during the holidays.

Dr. R. C. Jones and Frank Cunningham went down to Montevallo Monday to buy goods, and judging from the bundles they had, they bought a lot of them.

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BISMARCK.

A dance will be given at Joe Thompson's house on Christmas Eve. The boys are eating sparingly so that they may be able to do justice to Mr. Thompson's celebrated supper.

A party of our young men and ladies intend taking in the debate, entertainment and oyster supper at the Brierfield Normal school next Wednesday night.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

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ALABAMA SCHOOLS

DEFICIENT IN NUMBER AND QUALITY AS COMPARED WITH THOSE OF OTHER STATES.

Today in Alabama there exists a state of affairs educational that should warn every citizen that there must be a change. When we boast of our greatness in the commercial world, then turn to the educational and see where we stand, it seems to belie our former statement.

Think of it, only three states exceed us in illiteracy. To advertise the fact that Alabama is an everlasting hill of wealth is no telling inducement to capitalists and immigrants when we can say so little of our educational facilities. It is a strange thing that our business men should, with all their shrewdness, neglect this vital issue.

Alabama may point with pride to her almost fabulous resources, yet unless we do something to improve our common school facilities it will not avail us much. What man, what people desire to locate in a state where the facilities for educating their children are poor, though business be good. It is one of the first questions asked, "Have you good schools?"

People of Alabama, of every avocation of life, think of this question and let every one do his or her part to remedy it. The total limit of taxation by our constitution is $1.25 per hundred dollars. This is county and state. It may be said that we have high taxation. We have the lowest tax rate of any state in the union.

Philadelphia paid last year $64.09 per capita pupil; Alabama $1 28 per capita pupil. Philadelphia alone expending $3,500,000 or over five times the amount of our entire state. Does this look like a high rate? Comparisons are invidious. The average amount raised per tax payer for Alabama is $2.14. New York city alone exceeds that $2.54. Mississippi, strictly an agricultural state, built a school house for nearly every day of the year, in 1896, Alabama, none.

Alabama gives her pupils the least average number of school days of any state, save one. She gives the lowest amount per pupil, $1.28, save South Carolina, $1.19. Alabama has the lowest per cent. of enrollment of any state except Louisiana. Alabama's per cent. of pupils enrolled, 55.83. Louisiana shows an increase from 1889-90 to 1893 94, while Alabama shows a decrease.

Thus it is in everything concerning our common schools. There is only one item in which Alabama stands any comparison with our more progressive states. It is in normal schools. Alabama certainly needs better educational facilities. The greatest need is more revenue. But with a better system of supervision than our laws at present give us a great improvement could be made. To make any radical changes in our public school system will require a new constitution, but much improvement can be made with more systematic supervision than we now have. There is no definite policy mapped out between state superintendent and county superintendent.

While most of our towns and cities have good schools many of the smaller towns are needing them. The country districts frequently have too many schools to the detriment of good schools.

Incompetent teachers are employed in many cases because of cheapness. The school term is too short in many districts. One thing sure and certain above all else—our people need to become interested in having these reforms brought about. To this task every person who feels an interest in the future welfare of our state must give his or her support. To this task there is one great factor which can render invaluable service to the cause of education, to our state, and to our future citizenship. It is the press of Alabama. EDWARD L. PATTON.

Montevallo News.

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MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

The city of Berlin has closed its annual accounts with a surplus of over $2,000,000. This money has been saved by the different departments, most of which spent far less than had been granted to them.

At the last meeting of the Orientalist Congress in Paris, Rhys Davis opposed the notion that the pessimism of the Hindus was a result of their depressing climate. He found, on the contrary, that the climate was conducive to vigorous mental efforts.

E. S. White, of Bernidji, a pioneer trapper and hunter of Minnesota, stakes his reputation on the prediction of a cold winter. He says the wild animals, deer particularly, have especially thick coats, and that the muskrats are building their nests high and with thick walls—signs which, he say, have never failed within his experience.

What nonsense to talk of a collision between Spain and the United States, observes the New York Sun. It could not come to a shot. The infatuated Spanish people might be willing to fight; that is easy to believe of a population utterly ignorant and inspired by insular traditions. But Spain's creditors are not ignorant, and Spain is a notoriously insolvent debtor. In the face of a visible rupture with the United States her bank doors could not keep open six hours. The thing called Spain is a house of cards; only the touch of a finger is needed to bring it down in collapse. One thing that does challenge our admiration is the way her politicians are playing their "busted flush."

The special committee sent to Germany by the corporation of Manchester, in order to discover the cause of England's industrial decadence, found extraordinary development of technical education abroad. Alderman Crossfield, a member of the Committee, said: "The English workers are half savages, when compared with the intelligent artisans of Germany." Councilor Pythian, a member of the British Amalgamated Society of Engineers, remarked: "The engines and dynamos made in Germany put to shame most of the work in the English shops." These are but types of the impressions coloring the whole report of the Manchester Committee, the tenor of which is amply confirmed by the multiplying signs of the illusory character of the British pretensions to industrial supremacy.

Americanism can be carried too far, and almost everybody will admit, opines the New York Times, that Mr. J. B. Ford, the Cincinnati man now under arrest in London, showed exaggerated patriotism when he said that he preferred to be hanged in the United States rather than to live any longer in England. Really, it's not so bad as that, and anyway Mr. Ford will not be hanged when he gets here, for he has done nothing worse than rob a coffin company. That is a serious, almost a grave, crime, but it is not a capital offense. If it were, perhaps he would be tempted to resist extradition. An American prison may be more enjoyable than a London lodging house, but it is mere prejudice that asserts the superiority of our gallows to even the most stuffy of British hall bedrooms. It is always best to be just and to speak within bounds.

Ex-President Cleveland's definition of a self-made man differs from the ordinary acceptation of that term, but it is one, thinks the Boston Herald, that "will stand the test of intelligent scrutiny. The self-made man, as defined by the ex-President, is he who has made the most of himself, not necessarily by his own unaided efforts, but with whatever assistance he could secure. Whether this definition is strictly correct or not, it is an interesting one, and it rather adds to than detracts from the merit that attaches to self-help."

Selma has received 66,000 bales of cotton. The 100,000 mark will be

ANNIE AND WILLIE'S PRAYER.

'Twas the eve before Christmas; "Good-night" had been said,
And Annie and Willie had crept into bed;
There were tears on their pillows and tears in their eyes,
And each little bosom was heavy with sighs,
For to-night their stern father's command had been given
That they must retire precisely at seven
Instead of eight; for they troubled him more
With questions unheard of than ever before.
He told them he thought this delusion a sin,
No such a thing as "Santa Claus" ever had been,
And he hoped, after this, he should never more hear
How he scrambled down chimneys with presents each year.
And this is the reason why two little heads
So restlessly tossed on their soft, downy beds.

Eight, nine, and the clock on the steeple tolled ten—
Not a word had been spoken by either till then;
When Willie's sad face from the blanket did peep,
And whispered, "Dear Annie, is you fast asleep?"
"Why, no; brother Willie," a sweet voice replies.
"I've tried in vain, but I can't shut my eyes;
For somehow it makes me so sorry because
Dear papa had said there is no Santa Claus;
Now we know there is, and it can't be denied,
For he came every year before mamma died;
But then I've been thinking that she used to pray,
And God would hear everything mamma would say,
And perhaps she asked him to send Santa Claus here
With the sacks full of presents he brought every year."
"Well, why tan't we p'ay dest as mamma did then,
And asked Him to send him with presents aden?"
"I've been thinking so, too," and without a word more
Four bare little feet bounded out on the floor,
And four little knees the soft carpet pressed,
And two tiny hands were clasped close to each breast.

"Now, Willie, you know we must firmly believe
That the presents we ask for we're sure to receive.
You must wait just as still till I say amen,
And by that you will know that your turn has come then—
Dear Jesus, look down on my brother and me,
And grant us the favor we're asking of Thee:
I want a nice book full of pictures, a ring,
A writing desk, too, that shuts with a spring.
Bless papa, dear Jesus, and cause him to see
That Santa Claus loves us as much even as he;
Don't let him get fretful and angry again
At dear brother Willie and Annie, amen!"
"Please, Desus, 'et Santa Taus tome down to-night,
And bring us some presents before it is 'ight.
I want he should dive me a bright little box,
Full of ac'obats, some other nice blocks,
And a bag full of tandy, a book and a toy
Amen, and then, Desus, I'll be a dood boy."
Their prayers being ended, they raised up their heads,
And with hearts light and cheerful again sought their beds;
They were soon lost in slumber—both peaceful and deep,
And with fairies in dreamland were roaming in sleep.

Eight, nine and the little French clock had struck ten
Ere the father had thought of his children again;
He seems now to hear Annie's half-smothered sighs,
And to see the big tears standing in Willie's blue eyes.
"I was harsh with my darlings," he mentally said,
"And should not have sent them so early to bed;
But when I was troubled—my feelings found vent,
For bank stock to-day has gone down ten per cent.
But of course they'd forgot their troubles ere this,
But then I denied them the thrice asked for kiss;
But just to make sure I'll steal up to the door,
For I never spoke harsh to my darlings before."

So saying he softly ascended the stairs,
And arriving at their door heard both of their prayers.
His Annie's "bless papa" draws forth the big tears
And Willie's grave promise falls sweet on his ears.
"Strange, strange, I've forgotten," said he with a sigh,
"How I longed when a child to have Christmas draw nigh.
I'll atone for my harshness," he inwardly said,
"By answering their prayer, ere I sleep in my bed."

Then he turned to the stairs and softly went down,
Threw off velvet slippers and silk dressing gown,
Donned hat, coat and boots, and was out in the street—
A millionaire facing the cold winter sleet;
He first went to a wonderful "Santa Claus" store
(He knew it for he'd passed it the day he

And there he found crowds on the same errand as he,
Making purchase of presents, with glad heart and free,
Nor stopped he until he had bought everything
From a box full of candy to a tiny gold ring.
Indeed, he kept adding so much to his store
That the various presents outnumbered a score!
Then homeward he turned with his holiday load,
And with Aunt Mary's aid in the nursery 'twas stowed.
Miss Dolly was seated beneath a pine tree,
By the side of a table spread out for a tea;
A writing desk then in the centre was laid,
And on it a ring for which Annie had prayed;
Four acrobats painted in yellow and red
Stood with a block house on a beautiful sled;
There were balls, dogs and horses, books pleasing to see
And birds of all colors were perched in the tree;
While Santa Claus, laughing, stood up in the top,
As if getting ready for more presents to drop;
And as the fond father the picture surveyed
He thought for his trouble he had amply been paid;
And he said to himself as he brushed off a tear,
"I'm happier to-night than I have been for a year,
I've enjoyed more true pleasure than ever before.
What care I if bank stock falls ten per cent. more?
Hereafter I'll make it a rule, I believe,
To have Santa Claus visit us each Christmas Eve."

So thinking he gently extinguished the light,
And tripped downstairs to retire for the night.
As soon as the beams of the bright morning sun
Put the darkness to flight and the stars one by one,
Four little blue eyes out of sleep opened wide,
And at the same moment the presents espied.
Then out of their beds they sprang with a bound,
The very gifts prayed for were all of them found;
They laughed and they cried in their innocent glee,
And shouted for papa to come quick and see
What presents old Santa Claus had brought in the night
(Just the things they had wanted) and left before light.

"And now," said Annie, in a voice soft and low,
"You'll believe there's a Santa Claus, papa, I know;"
While dear little Willie climbed up on his knee,
Determined no secret between them should be;
And told, in soft whispers, how Annie had said,
That their dear, blessed mamma, so long ago dead,
Used to kneel down and pray by the side of her chair,
And that God, up in heaven, had answered her prayer!
"Then we dot up and prayed dust as well as we tould,
And Dod answered our prayers; now wasn't He dood?"
"I should say that He was if He sent you all these,
And knew just what presents my children would please
(Well, well, let him think so, the dear little elf,
'Twould be cruel to tell him I did it myself.")

Blind father! who caused your stern heart to relent?
And the hasty word spoken so soon to repent?
'Twas the Being who bade you steal softly up stairs,
And made you His agent to answer their prayers.

—Sophia P. Snow.

LEGEND OF THE MISTLETOE.

BY FLAVEL SCOTT MINES.

RIGHT merrily blazed the yule log in the square open fire place, and the dark oak panels of the little room caught and threw back again in softer color the red light of the flames. The room was filled with the rosy glow, and black shadows danced in time to the flickering firelight on the floor and walls. At times the fierce wind outside blew down the chimney a shower of snow which fell with a sizzle upon the crackling log, but the flames only burned the brighter as though determined to outdo the Christmas storm, and the noise of the gale was lost in the merry splutter and crack of the fire.

Before the log sat a youth and maiden, and for a little time they sat in silence reading their future in the red coals; and though neither told the other of their dream each felt that their futures were the same. Suddenly the young man turned toward the girl. "I bought a bit of mistletoe today," he said; "do you know the origin of its use? Shall I tell you the story?"

She looked at him dreamily. "Yes," she answered, her lips scarcely moving.

"And will you promise not to interrupt?"

"Y-es," was the low reply.

He laid the green spray with its crimson berries upon her brown curls, and bending near her began:

"Baldur, the son of Odin, the old Norse god, was called the Good because of his kind and loving nature, and wherever he went among the gods or men he was received with the kiss of

SANTA CLAUS' MOST ENTHUSIASTIC ADMIRER.

moment, then he caught sight of the green spray that crowned the fair face of the girl and he was emboldened. "Like this," he whispered. He waited a moment and then seeing the brown eyes turned inquiringly toward him he continued, "But Baldur in his dreams was warned that his life was in peril, so he called the gods together and giving them the kiss of peace—the gods were numbered by the score," he explained, "and you promised not to interrupt. He told them of his fears and they resolved to do all in their power to prevent the calamity. Frigga, the wife of Odin, made all things on earth swear not to injure him, but she overlooked the mistletoe, which she thought too puny. She did not know its power as I do. All right, I'll continue. After this Baldur used to supply all the fun for the gods, who would throw all sorts of things at him and improve their aim because they knew he could not be harmed. And Baldur used to return a kiss for each blow, and if he got hit six times he would give six—like this. But Loki, that unpleasant fellow whom no one used to ever kiss, (like this) learned that the mistletoe had taken no oath, so he got a little spray and sharpened it and then went to watch the fun. There was an old blind god called Hodur who couldn't hit Baldur because he couldn't see him, and Loki went up to him and whispered, 'Don't you want to hit Baldur and get a kiss?' (like this) and Hodur said 'Yep.' So Liki gave him the mistletoe and guided his throw and Baldur was pierced through and he fell dead and he couldn't kiss anybody any more, (like this) and everybody was stricken with sorrow. So after trying to get back his life they gave up the job and laid him on his ship, placed a spray of mistletoe over his head and all the Valkyrs, a lot of pretty girls who used to be messenger boys for the gods, came and kissed him, (like this—and this) and that is why on Christmas eve anybody can kiss anybody else (like this) if they only have a spray of mistletoe over their head."

"What has Christmas Eve got to do with it?" asked the maiden, reaching for the spray in her hair. As she said it she started. "Oh, Tom!" she cried, "these berries are red! How could you make such a mistake? All your time wasted and——"

The young man looked perplexed. How had he failed, he wondered? The results of mistletoe could not have been different. He was about to ask when the girl started to her feet and like a frightened spirit passed through the portieres. Was she displeased, and was this his dismissal? As he pondered thus a hand thrust aside the curtains and a face that was rosy as the glowing coals looked shyly through.

"Tom," she faltered, "you know that holly didn't count—holly never does. It wasn't fair, so——so——I've got a piece of real mistletoe. Now tell me all about Baldur."—Munsey.

The Yule Log.

When the yule log burns upon the hearth,
With carol, chime and Christmas cheer,
A fire should kindle in each soul
To gladden all the coming year;
A flame to brighten hearth and home,
And shine as well for other eyes,
Fed by good deeds which still glow on
When dim and cold the yule log lies.

No life so poor but it may know
A spark of this divinest fire.
No life so beautiful and rich
But still, flame-like, it may aspire.
Then kindle yule logs far and wide
To burn on every happy hearth,
Fit symbols of the faith and love

Growth of American Christmas Customs.

America has welcomed and adopted the Christmas tree with cordial affection and treated it as if it were a product of her own inventive brain. Transplanted to the United States by the early Dutch settlers of New York and by the Germans who established themselves in Pennsylvania, it grew and flourished as it did in its native soil. Its advance was slow, but in 1830 the Christmas tree had become a fixed factor in the holiday celebrations, not only in families of direct German descent, but among that composite population called American. Small cedar trees were first used, and were called "Christmas bushes." They were decorated with rosy apples, paper flowers, a few small candles, gilded nuts and "Christmas cakes." This last confection seems to be entirely out of date. It took the form of small horses, dogs, cows, hearts and diamonds, and was a combination of flour and water paste and white and colored sugar frosting. Even by those who recall the Christmas cake with fondest recollection it is admitted to have been rather a delight to the eye than a joy to the palate or the digestion.

As years went on, and the young nation grew older and richer and the life of the people more luxurious and complex, the "Christmas bushes," with their paper flowers, and "Christmas cakes," developed into a tree, which is often an elaborate and expensive affair.

But it is not in civilized or Christian lands alone that this wonderful Christmas tree grows. Missionaries have planted it in China, in Japan, in India, Africa, in the islands of the sea, so that yellow, brown and black faces, as well as white, gaze up at it with delight.—New York Mail and Express.

Torturing the Tortoise.

The beautiful tortoise shell, from which combs and hatpins are made, is not, as is generally supposed, the shell proper from the turtle, but the scales which form its covering. The turtle whose shell is valued in commerce is the small variety known as the hawksbill, which is found on the coral islands of the Southern seas. During the night the turtles leave the water to deposit their eggs in the sand, and it is then that they are captured by the watchful turtle hunters. They are turned on their backs and left in this helpless condition until morning, when the work of loosening the scales begins. This is the repulsive part of the business. The turtles are not killed, as this would soon lead to their extermination.

They are fastened by pegs to the ground in their natural position and a fire of dry leaves lit upon their backs. The heat is not great enough to injure the shell, but merely to cause it to separate at the joints. A large blade, very similar to a chemist's spatula, is then inserted horizontally between the laminæ, which are gently pried from the back. Great care must be taken not to injure the shell by too much heat, and yet it is not forced off until it is fully prepared for separation by a sufficient amount of warmth.

The operation is the extreme of cruelty, and many turtles do not survive it.

A Misunderstanding.

"I notice Jenks doesn't speak to you. What's the matter?"

"I can't help it. I started to talk to him about Christmas decorations the other day, and he thought I referred to the black eyes he got in a

ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

CELEBRATES HIS 107TH BIRTHDAY.

Syndicate Forming to Buy Mexican Gold Fields—A Former Canadian Premier Dead—Accidentally Shot Himself. Virginia Wants Foot Ball.

Alphonse Daudet, the novelist, died in Paris the past week.

President Frazer, of the State Industrial school at Columbus, Miss., has resigned.

The Park High school buiding at LaGrange, Ga., was destroyed by fire Friday night.

President Diaz, of Mexico, accorded William J. Bryan an audience during the past week.

The anti-football bill was defeated in the state senate of Virginia Friday by a vote of 21 to 12.

Headed by Mrs. Hannah S. Gould, a party of fifty women left New York last week to invade the Klondike.

Congressman McMillin will make the United States senatorial race in Tennessee if the governor calls an extra session.

At Ottawa, Ont., the residence of Patrick Leahy was burned, and Leahy and five of his children, the eldest but 9 years of age, perished.

A wreck on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad occurred near Clinton, Ind., Thursday, killing three employees and injuring several others.

Allen North, of Hardin county, Tenn., was instantly killed while out hunting. He did not know his gun was loaded and blew into the muzzle.

As a result of a boiler explosion at the mill of Stobaugh & Jennings at Choctaw, Ark., Thomas Treadaway and Joshua Huggins were instantly killed.

The famous Parisian model, Lucie Hagerland, has had her beauty destroyed by vitriol thrown at her by another model named Juiduicelli in a fit of jealousy.

Lewis George Clarke, the original George Harris, of Harriet Beecher Stowe's famous novel, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" died at Lexington, Ky., Thursday, aged 68.

Judge F. B. Bonifay, of Florida, has been appointed general land commissioner of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, to succeed Hon. W. D. Chipley, deceased.

On the Monon railroad near LaFayette, Ind., eighteen freight cars plunged through a bridge, carrying the bridge with them. A brakeman was seriously crippled in jumping.

Another negro was lynched at Bankston Ferry, in Simpson county, Miss., on Wednesday, as an accomplice of Charlie Lewis, for the murder of the wife and four children of Brown Smith on Wednesday of last week.

Bud Brooks and Grady Reynolds were hanged last week at Jefferson, Ga. The crime for which Reynolds and Brooks were hanged was the murder of M. C. Hunt, a prominent merchant of Belton, Ga.

Twenty-five engineers and conductors of the Louisville and Nashville railroad have organized the Bessie Cox Gold and Prospecting Company at Birmingham, with a capital of $2,500, for the purpose of prospecting in the Klondike.

H. W. Reed, ex-president of the National Bank of Brunswick, Ga., and ex-chairman of the populist national finance committee, and William B. Gunby are forming a company to purchase a tract of land in Mexico upon which there are forty gold mines.

Hon. James Mitchell, solicitor-general in the New Brunswick cabinet and formerly premier of the province, died Friday. He resigned his premiership last summer owing to ill health, but retained his place in the cabinet. He was born in 1836.

Benjamin F. Allen, who resides near Grafton, W. Va., celebrated his 107th birthday last week. He is an Englishman and fought for Great Britain in the wars against Napoleon. Only recently he walked a distance of thirty miles. He is quite active and youthful-looking.

The Arapiles battalion, it was announced officially Friday, had surprised the insurgent forces under Napoles, in the province of Santa Clara. The insurgents, it is said, left twenty-five men killed on the field.

Minneapolis, Minn., was visited by a destructive fire last week. The Hotel Dakota, where nearly a thousand guests were housed, was completely destroyed. The fire department rescued a large number, and but for their assistance hundreds of persons would have been burned. The loss will aggregate $450,000 on stocks, furniture, etc., and $300,000 on buildings, totally destroyed, while other losses will probably reach $100,000 more.

SPANIARDS ANGRY.

Generals Engeneering a Protest Against the President's Message.

A special from Biarree, France, says: Mail advices received from Madrid (telegrams and telephone messages on this subject being forbidden) say the Spanish military journals, especially the most important, the Correspondencia Militaire, declare that twenty generals have come to an agreement to engineer a protest against President McKinley's message to congress, which is considered insulting to the Spanish army. It is added that a certain marshal was asked to co-operate, but merely replied that he would consider the matter. General Weyler answered a similar request, saying he desired in the first place to learn the opinion of certain personages, the law not allowing military men to send a collective petition to the minister for war.

Political circles are much excited at rumors of a manifesto to the country, which is said to be in course of preparation.

GEORGIA LEGISLATURE.

Resume of Work Done by That Body During the Past Session.

The state legislature expired by limitation at midnight Thursday. The principal business during the session was to provide a new penal system to take the place of the old lease system.

While convicts will still be hired out under the new system, it looks ultimately to the entire breaking up of hiring convicts to civilians and to their employment by the state.

The passage of a resolution calling upon senators and congressmen to support an amendment making United States senators elective by the people at large was the principal expression in national issues.

The legislature also declared in favor of a national quarantine.

The anti-football bill was passed by the legislature, but fell through under gubernatorial veto.

Very little active legislation reached a final passage.

JAPAN'S HAWAIIAN POLICY.

No Objection to Annexation, But Will Protect Japanese Interests.

The steamer Doric, which arrived at San Francisco from Japan Friday morning, brought the following news:

It is reported that as the cabinet found that the absolute protest against Hawaiian annexation was of no avail, it concluded that it would be advisable to yield a point, and, while not objecting to annexation itself, to make an effort to insure the protection of Japanese interests. The United States government will be asked to guarantee that the annexation of Hawaii shall not interfere with the advantage hitherto possessed by Japan in the islands. This will constitute the scope of Japan's policy, even should congress approve of annexation.

FOUR MURDERED IN ARKANSAS.

An Aged Farmer, His Wife and Two Sons Killed by Robbers.

A special from Russellville, Ark., gives details of a terrible murder near Clinton, in Van Buren county. An aged farmer named Patterson lived on Culpepper mountain. With him lived his wife and six sons, one of whom was married and had a small family. While the entire household was seated at the supper table two white men, wearing masks and heavily armed, suddenly sprang into the dining room and leveling their weapons at the heads of the assembled family commanded them to remain quiet and commenced shooting, when a general fight ensued. When the desperate battle ended, it was found that the old farmer, his wife and two of the sons had been killed. Robbery was the intent of the murderers.

Big Gain in Exports and Imports.

The exports of domestic merchandise during November last amounted to $114,608,301, a gain of nearly $7,000,000, as compared with November, 1896.

The imports of merchandise were $52,352,331, of which over 50 per cent. was free of duty. The gain for the month in the imports of dutiable merchandise was over $5,300,000.

The exports of silver during November amounted to $4,979,277, and the imports $1,544,305. For the nine months the exports of silver amounted to $52,551,963 and the imports $11,017,012.

SPANISH REVOLUTION.

Menacing Attitude of the Populace Indicates Trouble Ahead for the Dons.

According to the St. James Gazette private letters received from Madrid say that General Weyler's reception there was most significant, and that the government is so alarmed by the menacing attitude of the populace that artillery has been stationed at concealed points commanding the main thoroughfares. The gunners, however, can be relied upon.

The wildest rumors are current, says the letter in question, with reports that preparations are making for the flight of the royal family to France at the first sign of a revolution.

TAKE NO AGGRESSIVE ACTION

House Will Not Carry Out Declaration in Regard to Cuba.

CAUCUS TO SHOW THE POLICY OF MINORITY

New Ministers and Consuls—Men Who Will Represent Uncle Sam in the Courts Abroad—Treasury Statement—Other Capitol Notes.

Leading democratic members of the house of representatives say no aggressive action is anticipated to carry out the declarations of the recent democratic house caucus on Cuba, finance and bankruptcy. The caucus will be allowed to stand as showing the policy of the minority. It is said, however, that it would be useless to force the Cuban question before the house, as the rules would not permit the minority to bring the question to a vote. The senate Cuban resolution, which was indorsed by the caucus, reposes in the committee on foreign affairs and there is no power under the rules to get it from that committee.

Representative Livingston, of Georgia, has suggested that a resolution be presented directing the foreign committee to report the Cuban resolution at once. But this procedure would be ineffective, as the resolution directing an immediate report would be referred to the committee on rules. It is not doubted that this body, representing the majority, would act favorably on a motion of this character. All parliamentarians on the democratic side concede that it will be impossible for the minority to force an issue on Cuba. They are more hopeful of giving expression to the caucus action on finance. The majority will doubtless bring forward financial measures on the lines suggested by the president and Secretary Gage, and the democratic caucus policy will be given effect by the casting of the solid democratic vote, numbering 125, against the measure.

On the bankruptcy question, it is expected, that the minority will frame a bankruptcy bill calculated to meet the caucus declaration for a "wise and just" measure of this character. The bill when framed will be offered as a substitute to the one to be urged by the committee on judiciary after the holidays.

NEW MINISTERS AND CONSULS.

Names of Men Who Will Serve Their Country Abroad.

The president has sent the following nominations to the senate:

State—Wm. W. Thomas, Jr., of Maine, to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Sweden and Norway; Hamilton King, of Michigan, to be minister resident and consul general of the United States to Siam; James C. McNally, of Pennsylvania, to be secretary of legation and consul general of the United States at Bogota, Colombia; Edgar O. Achorn, of Massachusetts, to be secretary of the legation of the United States at St. Petersburg, Russia.

To be consuls of the United States—Geo. M. Moulton, of Colorado, at Demerara, British Guiana; Robert P. Dooley, of New York, at St. Helena; Louis H. Ayme, of Illinois, at Gaudaloupe, West Indies; W. Stanley Hollis, of Massachusetts, at Loureco Marquez, Africa; Levi S. Wilcox, of Illinois, at Hankow, China; Chester Donaldson, of New York, at Mauagua, Nicaragua; Robert P. Skinner, of Ohio, at Marseilles, France; Frank W. Mahin, of Iowa, at Reichenberg, Bohemia; Marshal Halstead, of New York, at Birmingham, England; Harlan W. Brush, of New York, at Clifton, Ont.; Charles W. Merriman, of Wisconsin, at Brockville, Ont.; Daniel E. Ginley, of Wisconsin, at Athens, Greece; Lemuel W. Livingston, of Florida, at Cape Haytien, Hayti; John C. Billheimer, of Indiana, at Zanzibar, Zanzibar; John K. Pollard, of Ohio, to be consul general of the United States at Monterey, Mexico; Lewis Dexter, of Rhode Island, to be consul of the United States at Leeds, England.

Treasury Statement.

Thursday's stafement of the condition of the treasury: Available cash balances, $228,181,551; gold reserve, $159,367,692.

Carolina Convict Problem.

While the legislatures of several of the Southern states have been wrestling with the convict question, the South Carolina board of directors of the penitentiary has just ordered the sale of 1,100 bales of cotton on hand. The expectation is that the penitentiary will have 2,500 bales to offer before the season closes. All of this cotton was made on the several state farms with convict labor. The farms will this year turn in at least $10,000 to the state treasury.

Treaty Ratified.

The sultan has ratified the treaty of peace between Turkey and Greeee.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

The Senate—Wednesday.

Proceedings of the senate were enlivened today by an interesting debate upon the bill presented by the foreign relations committee providing for the prohibition of pelagic sealing by Americans. Mr. Davis, of the foreign affairs committee, called up the bill prohibiting fur sealing in the waters of the North Pacific and presented letters from Secretaries Sherman, of the state department, and Gage, of the treasury department on the subject, advocating the passage of the proposed measure. Mr. Davis said the bill was in the aid of furthering diplomatic negotiations and pointed out that there was now no law prohibiting pelagic sealing. Mr. Pettigrew entered a sharp protest to the passage of the bill because it deprives Americans of privileges extended to people of other countries, and offered an amendment to the effect that if Great Britain by the first of June next did not agree to a suspension of pelagic sealing this country would kill all seals, male and female, and thus settle the question once for all. Mr. Pettigrew then offered an amendment to the bill in line with his remarks, but it was defeated. The bill was then passed by a vote of 37 to 14.... By agreement the bill providing for the twelth census was taken up, but went over until after the holiday recess.... Mr. McBride, of Oregon, endeavored to secure the adoption of his resolution directing the secretary of war to supply relief to the suffering miners in the Klondike region and appropriating $250,000 for that purpose. The resolution was amended so that supplies might be transported by means of reindeer. Mr. McBride consented finally that the resolution should be recommitted to the military affairs committee with the understanding that it would be promptly reported.

The House.

The House spent the day in the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. Eighty-nine of the 112 pages of the bill were covered and only one amendment of importance was adopted. It reduced the clerical force at the pension office ninety-five, involving a reduction in salaries of $115,000.

The civil service question, as on yesterday, was the chief topic of discussion today. At the opening this morning a resolution for the holiday recess from Saturday, December 18, to January 5, offered by Mr. Dingley, from the committee on ways and means, was adopted. Mr. Livingston submitted some general remarks in opposition to the civil service law, which he denounced as a humbug and a fraud. He was followed by Messrs. Dearmond, Bingham and Wheeler, and at 5:05 the House adjourned.

The Senate—Thursday.

Mr. Allen's resolution calling on the president for information about the instructions given to the international monetary commission and the report made to him by the commission came up, to which Mr. Wolcott, chairman of the commission, replied that he would soon make a detailed statement of the commission. The resolution went over until January 15.... Mr. Pritchard, chairman of the committee on civil service, delivered a speech concerning the general features of the law.... Mr. Frye, of the commerce committee, favorably reported and the senate passed a bill directing the secretary of the treasury to purchase or construct a suitable vessel for revenue cutter service on the Yukon river, Alaska, to cost not to exceed $40,000.... Mr. Allison reported favorably the house joint resolution providing for a recess of congress from December 18, 1897, to January 5, 1898. The resolution was adopted.... Mr. Hawley reported the resolution of Mr. McBride, for the relief of American miners and other sufferers in the Yukon valley, Alaska. The committee structk out all but the enacting clause and amended the resolution by appropriating $250,000, which is to be used by the secretary of war for the purchase of subsistence and supplies, and for their transportation and distribution. The resolution was adopted.... A resolution was passed directing the secretary of the treasury to furnish the senate the names of the revenue cutters employed on the coast of Florida to prevent filibustering; how many such expeditions were thwarted; what vessels were captured; what armed expeditions were taken, and by what authority of law the secretary of the treasury acted in the matter. The bill went over to a future date. Adjourned.

The House.

The house today passed a bill appropriating $175,000 for the relief of the people of the Yukon river country, and also the bill passed by the senate yesterday to prohibit pelagic sealing by American citizens. In the course of the debate over the latter bill there was some exceedingly caustic criticisms of the course of our Behring sea negotiations, past and present. After further debate, the bill was passed, yeas 148, nays 78. At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate—Friday.

A spirited debate was precipitated in the senate today by the submission by Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, of the report of the special joint committee of the senate and house of representatives, appointed to investigate the use of alcohol in the arts. It developed that a wide divergence of opinion exists among senators as to the practicability from the point of view of government revenue of reducing the present tax upon alcohol used in the arts. Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, who favors such a reduction, expressed the opinion that if congress would lay aside political considerations and deal with the liquor question courageously and honestly by the imposition of an additional tax of a dollar a barrel on liquor and beer the government revenue would take care of itself. Mr. Vest, of Missouri, strenuously opposed any additional tax on beer.... Under a special order eighteen private pension bills were passed.... At the suggestion of Mr. Hawley, chairman of the military affairs committee, the bill passed by the house for the relief of the miners in the Klondike was taken up at once. The senate bill was substituted for that of the house and a conference ordered, with Senators Hawley, Carter and Cockrell as conferees.... After the debate on alcohol used in the arts had run some time, Mr. Allison deprecated any attempt to raise the question at present.... At 4:25 p. m. the senate adjourned until tomorrow.

The House.

The house today completed the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, excepting the paragraph relating the civil service. By agreement, the debate on this latter paragraph will go over until after the holidays. The bill as reported abolishes the assay office at New Orleans. The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial bill. On Mr. Cannon's motion, the senate amendment to the bill for the relief of the miners on the Upper Yukon was disagreed to and its committees agreed to a conference. Messrs. Cannon, of Illinois; Northway, of Ohio, and Sayers, of Texas, were appointed conferees.... The debate drifted into a financial discussion. Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, submitted that Secretary Gage's testimony, given before the house banking committee, was a frank statement of the position of the government. He had voted his adherence to the gold standard as against bimetallism, and his whole bill was designed to uphold and perpetuate that standard. Adjourned.

The Senate—Saturday.

Today's open session of the senate was brief, the time being consumed in the introduction of bills and resolutions, several of the latter calling for information from various departments being passed.... A joint resolution was passed providing for the expenditure of $10,000 more than originally intended upon the government building at the Trans-Mississippi exposition at Omaha, Neb.; that $2,500 be appropriated for a building at the exposition for a display of the life-saving service and that the cost of the government display be reduced from $150,000 to $137,500, the entire cost of the government buildings at the exposition to $62,500.... Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, secured the adoption of a resolution, calling upon the secretary of the interior to report to the senate the present status in the Choctaw and Chickasaw nations in the Indian Territory.... The senate, at 12:40 p. m., went into executive session. After the executive session the conference report upon the bill providing relief for the Klondike miners was received and adopted. The bill appropriates $100,000 to be expended under the direction of the secretary of war to relieve the suffering people in the Yukon valley and gold-bearing regions of Alaska, providing the consent of the Canadian government can be obtained to the transportation of such supplies through Canadian terr' tory. At 2 p. m. the senate adjourned until Wednesday, January 5, 1898.

The House.

The conference report to the emergency relief measure for the Klondike country was presented and agreed to. It compromises the amount of the relief fund at $200,000; provides securing the consent of Canada to extending the relief to the Canadian side, and authorizes the use of the army to carry out the relief measures. It also provides that the supplies must be purchased instead of being donated.... A house bill was passed confirming certain cash entries of public lands.... At 12:30 Mr. Boutelle, of Illnois, offered resolutions of profound regret on the death of Mr. Cooke, of Illinois, and eulogies were begun. Those who paid tribute to the deceased member were Messrs. Boutelle, Foss, Henderson, Belknap, Boyce, Mann, Hopkins, Dinsmore, Graff, Moody, Prince and Peters.

At 2:10 the house adjourned to January 5.

To Please His Second Wife.

William Carr, the child murderer, was hanged at the Clay county court house at Liberty, Mo., Friday. Carr was an ignorant backwoodsman who sought to please his second wife by drowning his 3-year-old daughter by his first wife.

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Everyone should favor incorporation.

People with evil minds imagine that all others are as bad as they are.

It is almost certain that Montevallo will have water works in the near future.

Montevallo excels Birmingham in every particular as a site for a cotton factory.

The citizens of Montevallo should hold a meeting and take steps to incorporate the town.

Every minister of the gospel in Alabama should raise his voice against the cowardly practice of carrying firearms.

The News wishes all, rich and poor, white and black, a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

If the young men would spend their money for good newspapers and books instead of revolvers and whiskey they would become more civilized.

Why will farmers waste their hard-earned money on artificial fertilizers when they can make their own out of cotton seed (composted) and manure?

Greedy Cleveland is still using government steam launches for his fishing and whisky-swilling trips. The obese accident must imagine that he owns the United States.

When a live newspaper essays to expose a wrong, it wins in 99 cases out of 100, as the Age-Herald has done in its fight against the extortions of the Birmingham Gas company.

Surely the Kentucky belle who last year sent a bottle of 40-year-old rye whiskey to be used in christening the battleship "Kentucky" is not surprised at the news that Grover Cleveland drank it up.

Montevallo will have a bath-house about the first of January. Cleanliness is next to godliness and no man in need of a bath can keep in a truly christian frame of mind, so all should be thankful for the new bath house and make frequent use of it.

When Secretary of the Treasury Gage was explaining his financial bill last week to the house committee on banking and currency, the democratic members must have said: "It is the face of Lyman J. Gage, but the voice of Rothschild."

It is hard to understand why farmers so generally neglect to take out a fire insurance policy. Any merchant who neglected to do so would soon have to go out of business, because wholesale houses would not credit him. A farmer's house, barn, implements and live stock are his stock in rade, and he should insure them.

Subscribe for the News.

The Dr. Whitsitt controversy which is disturbing the Baptist churches of Alabama is another one of the unfortunate church wrangles about the difference between tweedledum and tweedledee which furnish amusement to the ungodly and pain genuine Christians.

Incorporation and persistent advertising to the world of Montevallo's advantages will make this a city of five thousand people in five years. The owners of real estate will be benefitted, the merchants will have increased trade, every professional man, mechanic and laborer will experience prosperity, and the farmers will have a home market. Every man must put his shoulder to the wheel, however. First, incorporation; second, organization; third, hustling and advertising; fourth, population and prosperity.

Some individual in this town, who is either a congenital idiot or a miserable whelp, put in circulation on Sunday a lying rumor that the editor of this paper was intoxicated on either Friday or Saturday night last week. Messrs. C. L. Meroney, F. F. Crowe, S. B. Gibson and Clifton Newton can answer for Friday night; S. B. Gibson, Will Nolen and Clifton Newton for Saturday night. The statement of the sneaking rascal was a deliberate lie, as the above named gentlemen can prove. We believe him to be one of the Peeping Toms scarified in last week's issue, which explains the animus of the falsehood.

The various murders perpetrated of late, which are to be ascribed solely to the barbarous habit of carrying lethal weapons such as knives and revolvers, must surely arouse men to a sense of the idiocy of that practice.

If men must quarrel and fight, surely they can do so without slashing and shooting one another like cowardly Dagoes. Most of those who "pack guns" do so from habit, but if they will reflect that the habit is a virtual confession that they lack the courage to rely upon their own strength to repel assaults, they will abandon it as cowardly, swap their revolvers for hoes and make some money by truck farming instead of making widows of the women whom they meet every Sunday in church.

Five cent cotton is with us to stay until a reform president fills the position now occupied by Mark Hanna's puppet; in fact, the policy of the present maladministration, as enunciated in McKinley's message to congress, will almost certainly reduce the price of cotton still further.

Confronted with this condition, the farmers in this section of the country must find some crop besides cotton to tide them over the coming years of goldbug hard times. Those in the Gulf counties of Texas, in southern Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida annually reap handsome sums by supplying the northern markets with early vegetables. There is no reason why the people of Shelby, Bibb and Chilton counties should not do likewise. One man near Amite City, La., last year netted $4,000 from his crop of early strawberries. Until they can raise their own vegetables, the people of the north have every year from January to April to buy Irish potatoes, cabbages, carrots, tomatoes, onions and scores of other vegetables grown in the south.

Farmers should stop talking about the war and quarrelling with as good reformers as themselves because they do not wear the same tag, and should get down to good, careful truck farming. It will pay them better and make them independent and happy.

IN BOHEMIA.

BY JOHN BOYLE O'RILEY.

I'd rather live in Bohemia than in any other land;
For only there are the values true,
And the laurels gathered in all men's view.
The prizes of traffic and state are won
By shrewdness of force or by deeds undone;
But fame is sweeter without the feud,
And the wise of Bohemia are never shrewd.
Here pilgrims stream with a faith sublime
From every class and clime and time,
Aspiring only to be enrolled
With the names that are writ in the book of gold;
And each one bears in mind or hand
A palm of the dear Bohemian land.
The scholar first, with his book—a youth
Aflame with the glory of harvested truth;
A girl with a picture, a man with a play,
A boy with a wolf he has modeled in clay;
A smith with a marvelous hilt and sword,
A player, a king, a plowman, a lord—
And the player is king when the door is past,
The plowman is crowned and the lord is last!

I'd rather fail in Bohemia than win in another land;
There are no titles inherited there,
No hoard or hope for the brainless heir;
No gilded dullard, native born,
To stare at his fellow with leaden scorn:
Bohemia has none but adopted sons;
Its limits where Fancy's bright stream runs;
Its honors, not garnered for thrift or trade,
But for beauty and truth men's souls have made.
To the empty heart in a jeweled breast
There is value, maybe, in a purchased crest;
But the thirsty of soul soon learn to know
The moistureless froth of the social show;
The vulgar sham of the pompous feast
Where the heaviest purse is the highest priest;
The organized charity, scrimped and iced,
In the name of a cautious, statistical Christ;
The smile restrained, the respectable cant,
When a friend in need is a friend in want;
Where the only aim is to keep afloat,
And a brother may drown with a cry in his throat,
Oh, I long for the glow of a kindly heart and the grasp of a friendly hand,
And I'd rather live in Bohemia than in any other land.

A GIFT DECLINED.

Wuz thinkin' o' something to give her
Looked over the store—every shelf,
But nuthin' seemed right in the day or the night,
So I says: "I'll jest give her myself!"

So I bought me a pen for to write,
An' I offered myself in a letter;
But her answer wuz this (twuzn't sealed with a kiss!)
"Dear John, can't you find nothin' better?"

—Frank L. Stanton.

HORSE-SWAPPING DAY.

Last Saturday thousands of people resident within a radius of twenty miles from Montevallo tumbled out of bed at daybreak with the intention to attend the advertised horse swapping? convention and turkey shoot, but nine out of ten crawled back when they saw the weeping clouds overhead.

About four hundred came despite the steady, incessant drizzle. Some brought good horses and mules, some such things as this.

They did not enjoy the day, it was too wet. Some tried to counteract the rain by wetting their interiors with whiskey, but none became drunk. But few swaps were made. Next time the promoters will have to order a different brand of weather.

TOPSY TALKS.

Hello! I'm Topsy; not "Topsy-Turvey"—just Topsy. Dropped in other day on fast freight. Didn't drop off either—guess I fell off with the brakeman's assistance. Haven't been able to catch on since—trains run too fast: you know how fast these Three B trains run through here anyway. It's 'cause Lee's agent—try to keep up with him.

Guess I don't want to go anyhow. Too many pretty girls. Always did like pretty girls. Don't do a fellow like me much good though here. Capn's eyes too good, and Mrs. Babb—goodness me! That woman can see a hole in a doughnut a hundred yards off.

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Girls won't flirt. May be too good. 'Spect, though, it's 'cause they're afraid of that little secretary—he might see them. Say! Tell me the girls are afraid of him as a mouse. Don't blame 'em. A yellow fever microbe would get out of the road if it saw those glasses coming. Says he can tell what a girl's doing a mile off. Reckon he's just making a telephone of his hat, though.

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Capn's been up to Washington City. Must had a nice time. Looks like it. Got a new pair of shoes up there. Wouldn't 'sprise me if the Government don't give him 25,000 acres of public land. Senator Morgan he wanted to give him all the land in the state, but Cap'n—you know how modest he is—said 25,000 acres would do. Reckon Capn's going to put all the girls to chopping cotton next year.

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Stopped in to see George Kroell the other day. He's a good fellow. Loves to hunt, but his feet are so big he don't like to carry them around. Too much exertion. He's got money to burn, but he don't burn much—it makes him sea-sick to smell the smoke.

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Will Reynolds is a nice fellow. Don't talk much—thinks a whole heap though. He's rich! Got money to throw at the birds—knows which bird to throw it at, though. Got one trained—always brings it back to him. He's tall—most as tall as the new editor.

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Little, he's cashier down at the bank—not a faro bank, but a sure 'nuff bank. Burgess'd like for Cap'n to stay away all the time. He gets to cash the checks for the girls then. Don't charge the girls any exchange, and wants to pay them interest on their money if it only stays in a week. He's a warm 'un, he is; going to Blocton Christmas.

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My! Isn't that new editor a picture? Tell me they used to call him Bill Nye No. 2, in Washington. Never knew him in Washington, but then we didn't move in the same circle of society. I had a job with the city and flew so high that they had to put a ball and chain on me to keep me within bounds. But Nye's all right. He'll come in handy when the town gets electric lights. Won't have to spike the poles for anyone to climb—he can just reach up and fit the carbons in just as easy. The girls won't get a chance to put that ruffle on his coat—he's bought him a new one. Says he paid for it (?).

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Gemima! don't the new postoffice loom up. Doc, he's a hustler anyway. He's got up-to-date ideas. Wish there were others. Major's going to run it for Frank, until he gets to be Mayor. Major's a good title, but there's more money in Mayor if it does have the same number of letters. Going to rent a box if I can borrow fifty cents from Fred Rogan. Don't get any mail, but got a good imagination and like to look at the key.

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George Morgan's a handsome fellow. Always happy, and looks like an Astorbilt. Wouldn't do for a hired mourner at a Moorish funeral. All the pretty girls trade at his store. I don't blame 'em.

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Charley Meroney's another one of those sky scrapers. Ought to wear a coon-skin cap. It's pretty chilly in the clouds these days. He's going to be rich some day. Don't like to play skip penny with his money. Might sprain his wrist,

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Haven't had a bath since I've been in Montevallo, excepting a spit bath. Don't like spit baths this time of the year; weather too cold. Wonder why somebody don't build water works, anyway. They'd make a Klondyke stroke of it if they did.

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Sorry this town's not incorporated. If it was I'd get a nice free lodging without having to crawl up in Will Lyman's hay loft every night. No, guess I'm glad it isn't. I don't like to work much.

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Didn't go to church Sunday. Like to hear Abernathy preach, but I felt too sinful. Went down to the creek and got up under the bridge out of the rain. Tried to smoke that cheroot Latham gave me. Reckon Latham thought he'd be a public benefactor and get me out of the way. Most succeeded. Would have drowned myself, but was afraid I might get wet and catch my death of cold.

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The girls are going to celebrate Christmas. They are buying lots of powder and are going to bang their hair; that is, all who don't Klondyke it.

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Say! I'm tired. You ought to be. See you later. I'm going down to the spring and drink. "TOPSY."

TOPSY'S PURLOININGS.

A woman is sometimes pressed for time, but usually for some other reason.

A girl appreciates the sympathy that makes a man feel for her in the dark.

No woman can lace herself as tight as a man can drink himself.

Church fairs, amateur theatricals, and home talent concerts are called entertainments, but goodness knows why.

It is hoping against hope when a woman pulls down a folding bed and then looks under it for the proverbial man.

Never hit a man when he's down. It's safer to throw rocks at him when he's up a tree.

The Bible tells us that after God created man he rested: but since creating woman neither God nor man has been able to rest.

Some women swear like men, while others are so pious they won't even darn socks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

This school has enrolled 212 scholars, 15 teachers and 3 officers. The attendance averages 150. It is seldom that more than one teacher or officer is absent. Collections average $2.00 each Sunday. The school has just received 100 word editions of the Young People's Hymnal and 20 note editions. The school is growing rapidly and is destined to become one of the best in Alabama.

Sunday, December 19th, there were present 111 scholars, 14 teachers and 3 officers. The collection amounted to $2.08.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J. H. McMath, secretary.

Enrolled scholars 171, teachers 16, officers 3.

Sunday, December 19th: Scholars 79, teachers 10, officers 3.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

The Sunday school pupils of the Methodist church will be entertained in that sacred edifice on Thursday evening as a Christmas treat. A subscription has been raised and all the pupils will be regaled with fruits and candies. Songs and recitations and a talk by Rev. P. L. Abernathy will entertain and instruct those present. Everyone, irrespective of denomination, is invited.

GIRLS' POYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

THE DRAMATIC CLUB

GIVES A GREAT ENTERTAINMENT. MISS JULIA GREY THE STAR OF THE EVENING.

Last Friday night the Dramatic club had its innings at the Dormitory, and rendered a program which would have pleased the most critical metropolitan audience.

Many girls from the boarding houses attended, also Mrs. Babb and Messrs. W. B. Reynolds and C. L. Meroney. Miss Nellie Parker visited her cousin, Miss Edna Nelson.

The set program was as follows:

1. Piano Solo—
   Miss Mary Jane Vassar
2. Piano and Violin—
   Misses Robinson and Crum
3. Dance—
   Miss Maude Rosser
4. Recitation—
   Bonnie Stapleton
5. Piano and Violin—
   Misses Robinson and Crum
6. Song and Dance—
   Miss Julia Grey
7. Piano and Violin—
   Misses Robinson and Crum
8. Song and Dance, "Down on the Ohio,"—Misses Julia Grey and Jeanette Roebuck
9. Duet—
   The Misses Vassar
10. Recitation—
    Miss Julia Grey

The Misses Vassar play the piano well, as does Miss Robinson, while Miss Maggie Crum is a mistress of the violin. One could listen to her playing Mexican music all night and not note the passage of the hours.

Miss Bonnie Stapleton recites with genuine dramatic force, and will become a superior elocutionist.

Miss Maud Rosser is an extremely agile, graceful dancer, who can pironette in a manner which would make the antiquated corvphees of the companies sent to the Southern theatres by the Theatre Trust turn green with envy if they could but see her.

The star of the evening, however, was Miss Julia Grey, who is positively a genius, doubly endowed with poetry in her feet and music in her throat. She sang one song in soubrette style better than most of that sisterhood could have done it. She and Miss Jeanette Roebuck sang "Down on the Ohio" and danced so well that they were encored again and again. In her closing recitations she proved herself a natural actress. She has a great future.

The whole entertainment was most enjoyable, and reflected great credit upon the Dramatic club.

Toys, fruits and candies cheap at F. F. Crowe & Co's.

Tasteful X'mas presents cheap at F. F. Crowe & Co's.

Several new faces will be seen at the school after the holidays and over 350 will then answer at roll call.

Miss Fannie G. Stringer, of Salem, Ala., visited her niece, Miss Leo Sanders, the assistant teacher of dressmaking, on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Some of the girls in the dressmaking class have made themselves evening waists to be worn during the holidays, which are most artistic creations.

Miss Rosa May Burnett will spend the holiday season with her parents at Uniontown, and on her return will be accompanied by a new pupil, Miss Pearl Brown.

Each young lady in the school will receive a copy of this issue, and the editor requests each to take it home, show it to her relatives and ask them to subscribe.

Mrs. J. D. Smith, of Siddonsville, visited her daughter, Alta Smith, Tuesday and Wednesday, and on her return will take Miss Virginia Prowell with her as far as Dayton.

Misses Lucile Wilkinson, Etta Davis and Birdie Burns will spend their holidays in Prattville with their parents. They will bring Miss Pleasye Northington, a new pupil, with them on their return.

Mrs. Babb, Misses Fox, Stallworth and Cothran and Prof. Simmons will remain in Montevallo during the holidays. Other teachers will scatter as follows: Miss Evans and Mrs. Hudson, Columbiana; Miss Bush, Macon, Miss.; Miss Alston, Clayton; Miss Kennedy, Centreville; Mrs. Nelson and Miss Crumpton, Montgomery; Miss Lee, Furman and Birmingham, and Miss Dale, Camden.

Tuesday evening President Reynolds returned from Washington. He is hopeful of the passage of his bill granting 25,000 acres of public lands to the schools. He conversed with leading men on the subject and interested them. While away he visited the public schools of the District of Columbia, and the Georgia Normal and Industrial School at Milledgeville, Ga. He found it far inferior to this school in its location. Want of space precludes publication of his observations, but they will appear in the next issue of the News. He looks well and is full of energy. After the holidays he will return to Washington to push the passage of his bill.

All toilet articles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

Latham & Co. will sell you a suit of clothes anywhere from $3 to $9.

Local.

O. W. Puls is figuring on some big contracts.

Go to F. F. Crowe & Co's. for X'mas presents.

Kroell has it.

H. H. Splawn and Ad. Cruse, of Centreville, were in town Tuesday buying goods.

Kroell can supply anything.

Ernest West says there is a girl at Sessions' Chapel whom he will marry if her father doesn't kick too high.

Nat Nabors, of Morgan's store, is the shortest clerk in town, but his list of sales is as long as the longest.

Montevallo's sweetest widow has received the material for a new silk dress. Can it be that—? Time will tell.

The editor wishes all the girls a merry X'mas and hopes they will all return to spend a happy New Year in Montevallo.

Go to Kroell's for it.

Prescriptions carefully compounded by F. F. Crowe & Co.

Rev. Jas. F. Smith, of Talladega, preached last Sunday morning at the Episcopal church, and conducted a prayer service in the evening.

J. S. Prentice, Aldrich's colored store-keeper, knows a good thing when he sees it, for he paid a silver dollar for the News on Tuesday.

W. L. Pratt, erstwhile postmaster at Blocton and now a legal luminary of that town, spent Monday and Tuesday in Montevallo on a visit to his sister, Mrs. F. F. Crowe, and while here assisted in the installation of the new postoffice.

X'mas toys at F F.Cr& Co's.

F. F. Crowe is now postmaster of Montevallo. His commission arrived last Friday and Monday he removed the postoffice with all its effects, including Major Strong, to his store. His new office front is very handsome, made in the latest improved style and equipped with lock boxes. If he has the power to do so, Mr. Crowe will place a drop letter box at the west end of Main street for the convenience of those in that section of town.

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Our new and special line of the latest style fur-trimmed and braided CAPES and CLOAKS arrived last week. They sold like hot cakes. More will be here in a few days.

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Latham & Co. have purchased a large quantity of clothing for men, youths and boys, which they are selling below cost.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

If you want something pretty, and something that will keep you warm, get one of those Clay Worsted Suits from Latham & Co.

Everything at Kroell's.

If you want a desirable building lot or a cheap home, call on or write to the Shelby County Bank.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Best Toys at Kroell's.

ALDRICH.

W. T. Goodson bought a large bill of goods here on Tuesday for his store at Randolph.

J. S. Prentice visited Montevallo on Tuesday to order some job printing at the Montevallo News office.

The mines are closed this week, but will re-open after the holidays.

The amateur actors and actresses of Aldrich intend playing "The Turn of the Tide" at Blocton in the near future.

It can be had at Kroell's.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says, "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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CHAPTER II.—(Continued).

There was a window in the side wall of the interior room which Paxton examined, discovering that it was not secured, although it was provided with interior fastenings of an approved kind. He pushed up the sash and found that the heavy outside shutters with which it was guarded were not fastened—that the hooks had been broken. He saw, moreover, that the window opened upon a narrow passage between that and the next building

The police sergeant kept close to the detective as though he feared he would make some discovery which might escape his own unguided observation, and he noted all Paxton saw.

It was Mr. Paxton's method never to ask any questions until he had thoroughly examined the scene of a crime, and thus in the first instance his mind was unbiased by what might be told him.

Now having concluded his investigation for the present, he addressed several questions to Marion and Judith Kredge.

"Miss Oakburn, did you hear the report of a pistol or any unusual sound before you discovered your father?" he asked.

"No, sir, I heard nothing, although I have not slept to night," answered Marion.

"And did you hear nothing?" continued Paxton, turning to Judith Kredge.

"Nothing, s.r," she replied.

"When you came to the office, I think you told the policeman that you found the door unlocked?" Paxton went on, now addressing Marion.

"Yes, sir, it was unlocked."

"And the street door?"

Marion turned to Judith.

"That was also unlocked and unbolted, as I found when I went to open it," the woman said.

"Was there any one besides you and this woman in your apartments to-night, Miss Oakburn?"

Marion hesitated for a moment, and then she said:

"Mr. Stuart Harland, a clerk employed by Mr. Garrison, occupied our front room directly over the office."

"But he is not there now, sir. I ran up to his room as soon as we discovered that Mr. Oakburn was murdered. I am sure I don't know what can have become of him, for he went to his room as usual quite late, and as I sleep in a room adjoining his I heard him moving about a few moments before Miss Marion rapped at my door and asked me to go down and look for her father. I noticed when I looked into his room that his traveling-bag was gone," said Judith Kredge.

Marion's face assumed an expression of absolute agony, and she gave Judith Kredge a glance full of aversion and fear.

Mr. Paxton and the police sergeant exchanged significant glances.

"Excuse me a moment," said the detective, and he slipped out of the office. He returned very quickly, for he had only run up to Stuart Harland's apartment and hastily searched it. He discovered nothing except that the bed had not been opened that night.

A short consultation between the detective and the police sergeant ensued, and the latter said:

"You are right, sir; Mr. Garrison should be sent for at once."

Acting upon this decision, he dispatched one of his men to the broker's residence with a hastily written note containing information of the tragedy which had been enacted at his office.

Marion, seemingly exhausted by grief and excitement, had seated herself beside her dead father, and with her face buried in her hands she remained silent and motionless, while Judith Kredge stood by a window and listened eagerly to a conversation which was carried on in low tones between the police sergeant and one of his men.

Judith Kredge did not possess a good face; rather it was one to awaken distrust in the mind of the observer. She had a low, retreating forehead, large coarse features, thin bloodless lips, and small yellow eyes set close together under beetling brows. Her age was about fifty. Her life had not been cast in pleasant places, and she had grown to hate those who were happy because she was not so. She was envious of all persons who were in the possession of the advantages of life of which fate had deprived her. In disposition she was vindictive and cruel. She was cunning, unscrupulous and daring to a certain degree, and avarice dominated every other passion in her heart.

Just at this moment there were strange thoughts in Judith Kredge's mind. She was plotting seemingly to turn certain secrets of this dreadful night of murder to her own profit.

Mr. Jason Garrison, the broker, arrived in less than thirty minutes, and he was pale and agitated.

Suspense and anxiety were written upon his features as he burst into the office, and as though oblivious to the presence of anyone rushed to John Oakburn's desk and began to examiue a file of cheques which he took from a drawer. His hands trembled the while so that he could scarcely hold the papers, and he experienced the keen agony of a gamester to whom the turning of a card or the calling out of a number is almost a matter of life or death, as he ran over the file of cheques.

"He is searching for something of vital importance to his interest," said Paxton, sotto voce.

"Not here! There is one chance left!" exclaimed Jason Garrison, totally unconscious that he spoke, and turning to a small memorandum book he hurriedly looked over its pages.

The next moment the book fell from his nerveless grasp, and he sank forward as though prostrated by a nervous shock.

"I am a ruined man!" he exclaimed.

Paxton quickly sprang to his side.

"You have sustained a serious loss by this robbery, sir?" he asked.

Jason Garrison raised his pale, haggard face, and, bringing his clenched fist down upon the desk with force, cried, fiercely:

"I tell you, man, I am ruined. Hopelessly ruined!"

"Then there was a large sum of money in the safe?" asked Paxton.

"Yes, sir."

"I am a detective, and I am sure, my dear sir, that it will be to your interest to conceal nothing from me."

"I have nothing to conceal!" cried Garrison, in a way that in the detective's judgment belied his words. "I will explain, sir," he continued. "Yesterday afternoon I gave my unfortunate cashier, John Oakburn, a cheque for $78,000, and instructed him to cash it at the bank, and keep the money over night here in our safes, as we were to have an urgent demand for it early in the morning. The sergeant's note informed me that there was no money in the safe, and I find the cheque missing from the file of small cheques where I saw John Oakburn place it. More, in this book I found my cashier's memorandum, which dashed to the ground my one hope that the money was not lost."

Mr. Garrison picked up the book which he had dropped on the floor, and turning the leaves he read the following in John Oakburn's handwriting:

"Dec. 23, cashed cheque for $78,000 to-day."

"Seventy-eight thousand dollars. A large cheque. But here in the great money center of the country among you brokers, I suppose the amount is not surprising. However, it has been stolen by John Oakburn's murderer. Seventy-eight thousand dollars is quite a haul for a thief, but let us hope that we will recover the stolen money," said Paxton.

"We already have a clew to the assassin," the police sergeant said.

"Whom do you suspect?" asked the broker.

"Let me give you a synopsis of the case and you can draw your own deductions. The office door was found unlocked. Nothing to be noted in that, since it was probably so left by the cashier when he entered. The street door was also unlocked, and the bolts, which were on the inside, were drawn. The safe was opened by means of John Oakburn's key. A window in the rear office is unfastened. Now, it is clear to my mind that the assassin was an inmate of this house—one who knew the combination of the safe and that there was money in it. He surprised John Oakburn, shot him, took the key from his pocket, opened the safe, secured the money and then unbarred the street door and fled. But our assassin and robber was cunning. He thought he would leave a loophole of doubt in the theory which would be formed of the crime, and so he opened the window in the rear office, pried off the fastening of the shutters, and left them so as to give the impression that the assassin might have broken into the office by that route. Now, sir, who among your clerks knew the combination of your safe lock? Who among them knew that $78,000 was to be left in the safe over night?"

Thus spoke the police sergeant.

He had taken a position in the center of the room, and spoke and gesticulated in a pompous manner, like some political stump orator. It was clearly evident that he fancied he had the entire case under his thumb.

"Only one person except John Oakburn knew the combination of the safe and that the stolen money was to be kept in it over night, and that person is above suspicion, sir," answered Mr. Garrison.

"His name, if you please?"

"Stuart Harland," answered the broker, and then as the name passed his lips he started, for he suddenly remembered that the young clerk occupied an apartment in the building, so he quickly added: "But Mr. Harland rooms here and he should have been called."

"He was called, sir, but he failed to respond, because he had fled, and I may as well tell you plainly, sir, though I would spare your feelings, that I entertain a grave suspicion which I am sure is shared by Mr. Paxton."

"What do you mean?" demanded the broker.

"That circumstances seem to indicate that Stuart Harland is John Oakburn's murderer!" replied the police sergeant.

CHAPTER III.

At last the direct accusation which Marion Oakburn dreaded, and to prevent which she had besought Judith Kredge to preserve silence regarding the unexplained departure of Stuart Harland, was made.

The police sergeant was responsible for formulating the dreadful arraignment into words, but in the minds of the others present it could scarcely be doubted that the same suspicion had found a lodgment.

It is an age of distrust No man's past is regarded as a bond for his future. Men whose reputations were spotless yesterday are buried in the mire to-day. The temptation of gold outweighs the honor and honesty of men who until the denouement comes are regarded as above suspicion.

But Jason Garrison would have staked his life upon the innocence and honor of the man to whom he meant to intrust the future happiness of his only child.

As the police sergeant pronounced the name of Stuart Harland the broker leaped to his feet.

"Never, sir! Never! Do not dare to couple Stuart Harland's name with a crime in my presence," he cried.

"Stuart Harland is as innocent as I am. I know it, I feel it. He is not capable of a dishonorable deed," said Marion, earnestly seeking to exculpate the suspected one.

"You see, sir, even the daughter of the victim of this tragedy is assured of the innocence of the man you accuse," said Garrison.

"And permit me to say that you are entirely wrong in thinking that I share your suspicion of Stuart Harland," said Paxton, the detective, smiling blandly.

"Indeed, under the circumstances, I am convinced of his innocence," he added.

The police sergeant seemed amazed.

"The circumstances are all against him; it cannot be any one else," he said, defiantly.

"Good, keep on thinking so and work on that line. The way will be clear to enable me to secure the real assassin," said Paxton pleasantly.

"We shall see. I have placed a shrewd man on Harland's track and he will be arrested before morning."

"I wish you joy of your capture, I am sure," retorted Paxton.

Jason Garrison turned his back upon the detective and the police sergeant with an expressive gesture, and strode to the side of the dead man.

Long and earnestly he gazed upon the face of the dead, and the man of the world was deeply moved as he thought that this poor man, who had served him with surprising fidelity for long years, had perhaps met his fate in defense of his property.

"Poor John, poor John!" he said. "He was one of the few men who are honest from principle alone. He was honored by all, and he leaves behind him a reputation of which any man might well be proud."

Then, turning to Marion, he added:

"Miss Oakburn, the memory of your father will be respected by all who knew him. He died as he had lived—faithful to his duty and an honest man."

The dead cashier's daughter was strangely agitated, but her face became transformed with a look of heroic resolve as she said:

"My father so lived that when he was dead men might speak of him as you have done. His soul would have revolted at any other destiny. His memory shall be revered."

There was something fierce and startling in the intensity of the girl's voice, and her manner was that of one in a strangely excited mental state.

But her hearers, with perhaps one exception, noted her excitement and her [illegible] manner to emotions occasioned [illegible] the discovery of her father's murder alone.

Paxton was the only one present not of this opinion, and he covertly watched the cashier's daughter with a sudden augmentation of interest. The detective possessed many serviceable qualifications for the vocation he had adopted, not the least valuable of which was the faculty of discerning the cause of human emotions, and he felt that Marion Oakburn was now actuated by some powerful feeling which the others did not suspect.

But even his acumen could not determine what the secret feeling was.

"If I am any judge of character, this young woman possesses rare strength of will and tenacity of purpose. When she declared that her father's memory should be revered she spoke as though there was a danger that it might be reviled — as though she felt called upon to protect his memory from odium. Ah, if you hold a secret, Marion Oakburn, you will know how to preserve it inviolate," reflected Paxton.

There was nothing more to be done now, and the police sergeant stated that his men would guard the office until morning, and that nothing should be disturbed until the inquest, which would be held the following day.

Mr. Garrison assured Marion of his friendship and that she might rely on him for any needed assistance.

At such a time as this, of sorrow and affliction, the most kind and sympathetic words seem hollow and meaningless, and Marion was in such a state of doubt and trouble that she scarcely heard the broker's kindly remarks.

The office was left in charge of two police officers, who were to watch beside the dead until the dawn, and Marion crept, cold and shivering, to her room, while Judith Kredge sought her own apartment.

But there was no sleep for the cashier's daughter that night. She sank wearily upon her couch, and there remained thinking a thousand troubled thoughts, experiencing a thousand doubts and the torture of one great dread.

Day was at hand, and the light of the lamp was turning pale, while the morning mists began to disappear, and the sunlight fell upon the window panes, when at last Marion started up.

She knelt as if in prayer, and while her back was turned to the door, it opened noiselessly and the evil face of Judith Kredge peered in upon her for a moment.

When Marion arose she said in self-communion:

"I will not turn back now; I do not wish to do so. Cheerfully will I make any sacrifice that may be demanded, and I am sustained by the thought that in all I have done, I have been actuated by a noble purpose.

"But circumstances have arisen of which I had no thought. Oh, what adverse fate directed Stuart Harland to leave the house this night of all others, in the way that he has done? I can only hope that he will explain his conduct so as to exonerate himself from all suspicion. But what if circumstantial evidence should prove powerful enough to endanger his life——"

Under traversed her frame from head to foot.

"I trust—I pray it may not come to such a crisis as that," she added, presently.

At that moment Marion heard a faint sound outside her chamber door, and, suspecting that some one was listening there, she glided to the door and suddenly threw it open.

She came face to face with Judith Kredge, who was crouching at the keyhole.

Marion's face flushed, and her dark eyes flashed, as she cried imperatively:

"So you are eavesdropping. What do you mean by such conduct? Begone, instantly! I shall not retain you in my service after the present week."

For a moment Judith Kredge shrank away with a guilty look on her repulsive features, but suddenly she turned upon Marion fiercely and clutched her arm.

"Look at me, girl!" she hissed. "Oh, yes, they killed your father. I know the truth. You are in my power; in my power, my proud beauty! Ha! Ha! Now discharge me if you dare!"

Judith Kredge flung Marion from her, and crossing the hall entered her own room.

Marion reeled back with a frightful expression on her face, and she muttered:

"What shall I do, what shall I do! This is worse than all the rest."

Meanwhile, when Jason Garrison left his office in company with the police sergeant and Detective Paxton at the conclusion of the investigation, at the scene of the crime, he repaired at once to his own home, where his daughter Edna, who had been informed of the murder when her father left the house, anxiously awaited his return.

Jason Garrison was a widower, and all his affection centered on his only child—his daughter Edna, who returned his love with a wealth of filial devotion.

The broker admitted himself to his residence by means of a latch-key, but in the hall he staggered like a drunken man as the thought came back to his mind with renewed force that he was ruined—that even his home, which sheltered his beloved child, he could not call his own.

Crushed and broken, he groped his way to the library, but Edna, listening at her door, heard his familiar steps and came down to meet him.

The eyes of love are prematurely sharp, and Edna saw at a glance that some great misfortune had befallen her father. He sank into a chair and Edna knelt beside him and sought to induce him to tell her all.

Reluctantly then he told the story of the murder and the robbery, but he did not mention the terrible suspecion which had fallen upon Stuart Harland, for he wished to spare his daughter the cruel intelligence as long as possible.

"And so I am ruined," said the broker bitterly in conclusion.

"Surely it is not so serious as that. Your creditors will grant you time?" Edna asked.

"No, no. You do not know them. My pressing creditors are Pratt and Weeks. They will be merciless. I had hoped the sale of my Colorado property would enable me to realize more than sufficient to tide over this financial crisis, for as I have told you gold has been discovered in many parts of Gilpin County, where my land is situated. I had counted on receiving the money for the property, eighty thousand dollars—the price almost agreed upon with a Denver firm—this very week. In a letter which came to hand on Thursday last, my agent informed me that he expected to close the sale and remit me a draft by the twenty-third, that is to-day. But this evening I received another communication from my agent stating that the proposed sale could not be consummated, for prospectors, who had secretly explored my claim, reported that there was no trace of gold on it. This disappointment means more than you can dream. I am in a situation of peril which I dare not confess, even to you, my child," said the broker.

Vainly Edna tried to induce her father to confide in her. He would say no more.

"I remember how that man Pratt looked at me with his bold, impudent eyes, when I looked at him. His glance made me shiver," she said.

"Coward that I was. He demanded an introduction, and while I knew he was not fit to make your acquaintance, fear made me weak enough to present him to you," answered the broker.

"And I am in this villain's power. Pratt and Weeks have deceived me; set traps for me and involved me in speculations which were swindles concocted with the cunning of arch-fiends to evade all legal consequences. These men find their victims among the oldest operators on the street, and my experience did not save me," he added.

"But the stolen money may be recovered. You have not told me. Does not suspicion rest on anybody?" asked Edna.

Her father hesitated.

"Speak, father. Why do you seem so agitated?" she said.

"I would spare you pain and anxiety. The worst for you, my child, is yet to come."

"I do not comprehend; what do you mean?"

In a few words he told of the suspicion which the police sergeant had declared against Stuart Harland.

Edna was justly indignant and she treated the accusation with scorn.

"Stuart will explain the cause of his midnight departure. When he is heard, a shadow of suspicion will not remain upon him," she said, with a loving woman's sublime faith.

"I should tell you also that Paxton, the detective, did not agree with the police sergeant. In the face of all the circumstances which caused the sergeant to suspect Stuart, he declared his belief in the young man's innocence. Paxton is a wonderful man, and I am sure he has formed some theory which he believes will overthrow the hypothesis of the police sergeant. In that thought I find a hope for Stuart's salvation, even though circumstances should further combine to tighten the coil of suspicion about him," the broker said.

Father and daughter were parted for the night, but like Marion Oakburn, Jason Garrison was sleepless. He paced his room until dawn and once he muttered:

"I have taken an awful risk and yet profited nothing. I was mad. The risk of discovery remains suspended over my head like a sword hung by a thread."

He struck his breast and paused abruptly in his rapid walk as he said, "Can Stuart have suspected me?"

At that moment the young man of whom he spoke was in the custody of detectives who had arrested him on a railway train.

Circumstances were combining and developments were transpiring which were destined to make the secret of John Oakburn's murder one of the most remarkable, mysterious, and interesting of modern detective cases.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

The Lake George Flats.

When a vessel sinks in the channel through Lake George Flats, near Sault Ste. Marie, there is plenty of trouble. The value of the vessels delayed by a wreck there recently is estimated at $14,000,000, and that of their cargoes $4,000,000. At one time seventy lake steam vessels were anchored on the east side of the blockade and sixty on the west side, and a new channel had to be cut through the flats to allow them to continue their way. Four dredges worked day and night to make a channel 700 feet in length, 60 feet in width, and 20 feet in depth. It is said that the only way to prevent accidents like that which caused the wreck is to limit the speed of vessels in the channel. There was the same trouble in the St. Clair Flats until men were stationed at the ends of the channel to time the vessels.—New York [illegible]

Same Thing.

When the late King Charles of Wurtemburg was yet crown prince and he was ordered to become engaged to the Russian Grand Duchess Olga he was shown a portrait of her. After regarding it intently, he exclaimed: "How daringly they have flattered her! The hair is too abundant, the eyes are too brilliant, and the complexion too dainty." The courtiers asked, in astonishment: "But does your royal highness know the grand duchess?" "I do not know her," was the reply, "but I know the court painters."

For sleeplessness, a Chicago physician recommends a light meal of plain food just before retiring.

C. B. Collins, ex-state treasurer of Florida, was acquitted of the embezzlement of $52,000. The defendant did not deny that he was short that sum but declared that there was no intent to defraud. Banks in which he had deposited state funds failed.

LETTERS MADE PUBLIC

Concerning the Seal Question Between the United States and Canada.

The correspondence which has passed between Sir Wilfred Laurier, the Canadian premier, and General Foster, the American negotiator, since the Washington conference, last month, has been made public. It consists of letters. In the first dated Ottawa, November 24, Sir Wilfred says he is willing to enter at once upon a review of the whole seal question, but declines, however, to suspend sealing meantime on the ground that the fleet would be dissipated entirely.

The other letter is addressed to Sir Wilfred, and dated Washington, December, 4. General Foster says Sir Wilfred's letter is a declination of his proposition and a renewal of the Canadian proposition at the conference and the president declines to revise his decision on that point.

Dollar and a Half Wheat.

At Chicago, Geo. B. French, the recognized agent of the Leiter interest in wheat, says in regard to the wheat situation: "I will say that I think that speculators are watching the local conditions and entirely ignoring the legitimate position. As soon as the deficiency of supplies and the urgency of the demand becomes more apparent, I will not be a bit surprised to see May wheat at $1.50."

More Wages Reduced.

The directors of the Amoskeag Manufacturing company, of Manchester, N. H., at a meeting held at the Boston office of the company Friday, voted to reduce the wages of its employes about 10 per cent on January 1. The Amoskeag plant is one of the largest engaged in the manufacture of cotton in the country, and employs between 8,000 and 9,000 people.

Signals Failed, Death Results.

A collision occurred on the Greenwood branch of the Missouri Pacific, ten miles from Fort Smith, Ark., in which Mrs. E. A. Hollenback, of Jenny Lind, was instantly killed, and four passengers injured. A coal train was following the passenger, and the latter was stopped to cool off a hot box. The torpedo signals failed to do their work, and the engine of the coal train telescoped the rear coach of the passenger.

John Morgan was hanged Thursday at Ripley, W. Va.

Some thoughtful soul-proposes to bring the Chicago cable lines to terms by showering pennies upon the conductors until they cry for quarter—or quarters. We feel sure that Mr. Yerkes will watch this attempt to overwhelm his railway with money with great interest. If the present cars prove inadequate to haul the coppers away probably additional cars will be put on.

Three of the most valuable products of the mine have been found in Alaska—gold, petroleum and coal. All of these minerals are found there in abundance. The purchase of Alaska was regarded somewhat as acquiring "a pig in a poke" at a pretty stiff price, but the pig is turning out to be a very promising shoat.

What is Tetterine?

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ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Conference in Session.

The South Alabama Conference is now in session at Union Springs, Bishop Galloway presiding. There is a full attendance of ministers.

Assessment Rejected.

At a special term of the commissioners' court of Coosa county, the assessments of Tax Commissioner Walden against the ginners of the county on the toll cotton received was rejected.

School Census Settled.

The school census for Lowndes county, about which there has been so much comment as to the enormous figures as compared with former years, has been retaken, and found to be 13,736, instead of 20,654, as was sent in by the county superintendent of education of that county.

An Electric Light Plant.

At a meeting of the city council of Birmingham a resolution was adopted creating a special committee, composed of one aldermen from each ward, with the mayor as ex-officio chairman, to examine into the cost of an electric light plant, with a view to the city erecting one and operating it on its own account.

Murdered for His Money.

Gilmore Edwards, lamplighter in the Louisville & Nashville yards at Boyles, four miles north of Birmingham, was murdered and robbed by an unknown person. Edwards was making a tour through the yards when he was shot from the darkness. The robber failed to get $41 which Edwards had sewed up in his watch pocket.

A Good Showing.

John Case, the new tax collector of Mobile county, paid into the state treasury $20,000 collections since December 1, state taxes, which, added to former remittances of this year's collections, makes the sum of $32,000. Mr. E. B. Lott, his predecessor, paid into the treasury for the same period last year $8,497, a difference in favor of Case of $23,503.

Decree of Foreclosure.

In the United States court at Birmingham, Judge Boarman rendered a decree of foreclosure and sale in the case of the Central Trust company, of New York, vs. the United States Car company. The court appointed J. A. W. Smith special master, who is ordered to advertise the sale, if the amount of the indebtedness, $2,019,552.48, is not paid in ten days.

Found Beside Railroad Track.

Late Friday night C. R. Hicks, a railroad man, was found bruised and unconscious beside the railroad tracks, near Montgomery. When he had been resuscitated he related that he had endeavored to catch an outgoing south bound freight on the Louisville and Nashville railroad with $395 in cash in his pockets. His money was gone and he could not account for its loss or his injury.

Another Candidate.

Prof. Edward L. Patton has announced as a candidate for state superintendent of education from Elmore county, subject to the action of the democratic party. Professor Patton has for two years identified himself as specially interested in reforming our school system. He was among the first to call for a constitutional convention for the purpose of bettering the public school system. For two years his articles on educational topics have appeared in many of the state papers.

Former Sheriff Short in Account.

Examiner of Public Accounts Purifoy Thursday filed his report with the governor on his investigation of the sheriff's office of Lee county under the administration of W. B. Gibson, late sheriff of that county, which shows a shortage of almost $2,000, summed up as follows: Fees for removing prisoners, collected from defendants on conviction, $85.99. For solicitors' fees unaccounted for, $53. For feeding prisoners in jail, and to which he was not legally entitled $1,642. Total, $1,790.99.

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

Furloughs for the Holidays—December 23 to January 2.

On requests from parents or guardians, students will receive leaves of absence from Thursday afternoon, December 23, through January 2 following. This will enable all who so desire to spend both Christmas and New Year a their homes.

January 3 will be a good time for new students to enter, as in many departments new subjects begin on that day. Such will receive a cordial welcome to the University.

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Thieves Secured $900.

One of the boldest and most sensational robberies that every occurred in that section took place eight miles below Abbeville Thursday night. At about 1 o'clock a man called at the house of Westley Bodiford and claimed that his mule had run away and severely injured his companion, and asked for some one to assist him. Oscar Etheridge, a young man living with Mr. Bodiford, responded to the call and followed the man. When abont three hundred yards below the house the first one dropped behind and another man sprang out of the bushes and told him to hold Etheridge up. One placed a pistol in Etheridge's face and the other tied his hands. They then led him back to the house, and, waking old man Bodiford, told him that they wanted the money in his safe. The safe was opened and the men secured $900.

Cotton Growers' Convention.

The governor has appointed the following named gentlemen delegates to the Southern Cotton Growers' Convention at Memphis next week:

Messrs. W. H. Lawson, M. C. Scott, Joel Barnett, Jess Adams, Montgomery; Major Thomas W. Oliver, Mitylene; T. P. Hudmon, Opelika; Colonel N. N. Clements, Tuskaloosa; J, R. McLendon, Naftel; J. C. Killebrew, Newton; C. A. B. Edwards, Crittenden Mills; John Minge, Faunsdale; W. P. Campbell, Florence; Isaac O. Mason, Columbiana; William M. Hammond, Gadsden; Captain C. C. Swope, Courtland; M. B. Hampton, Leighton; W. R. Prior, Quid Nunc; Dr. Henry McDonald, General Samuel H. Moore, Huntsville; Henry Warton, Athens; J. C. Hanes, Sheffield.

DR. CURRY'S REPORT.

Recognizes the Ability of One of Alabama's Educational Lights.

In his annual report to the trustees of the Peabody educational fund, Dr. J. L. M. Curry, the general agent, wrote under date of October 1, 1897, in part, as follows:

"The Florence Normal College has lost its vigorous and able president, James K. Powers, LL. D., who has been transferred to the State University. Under his administration the college has had a remarkable growth, and now numbers 310 pupils. In a letter to the governor, Dr. Mayo says:

"'I can honestly say that, in all my experience in the south, I have seen no state normal which seems to me to have more completely grasped the true idea of that style of school, or more completely carried it out, than the one at Florence. I have never seen in any state as much good work done for so small a sum of money as I see here at the state normal.'"

The Florence Times, speaking of Dr. Powers, says: In his success at Florence there is promise, very great promise, of success at the University under Dr. J. K. Powers. The Normal College succeeded by doing what it was intended to do. It did not attempt to turn out Bachelors or Masters or Doctors. It trained teachers. To that end all of its energies and resources were devoted. Its teachers were selected with special reference to the work they were to do. They were specialists. Again, none of the funds were wasted. Every dollar was made to bring the best possible return, either in outfit or service. To do all this required great industry and patient attention to detail.

It is confidently expected that the same qualities will command like success at the University. It may require time, it will, to accomplish all that is desired. And when the ideals of the present are accomplished facts, there will doubtless be others in advance to aim for. This is the condition of all development. Just as a Normal was developed here to meet the conditions in Alabama, an University may be expected to adapt itself to meet the conditions incident to its environment.

ALABAMA'S PRIDE.

The Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo Doing a Great Work.

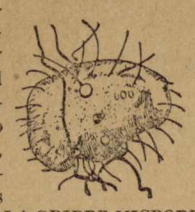
The Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo, under the guidance of Capt. H. C. Reynolds, is doing the greatest work of any school in the South. Pupils in the dress-making department are actually making money, besides carrying on their studies. Over 325 pupils are enrolled and there is still room for a few more. We learn fifty-eight dollars pays all expenses from the 1st of January. This is one of the few state institutions where the people get the direct benefit from appropriations. The rich, the poor, the high and the low, all patronize it and are satisfied. Captain Reynolds has just returned from Washington, where he has been for some time working in the interest of a land appropriation for the school.

China Gives Way to Germany.

A special dispatch from Shanghai asserts that China will acquiesce in Germany's retention of Kiao-Chou. Russia and France are irritated at Germany's precipitancy in thus prematurely disclosing her plans to England and Japan in a manner likely, says the dispatch, to defeat the objects in view.

Cause of Much Misery.

Of all microbes the animalcule of la grippe is the ugliest to look upon. Magnified to the size of the picture here shown, this microbe has the appearance of a new kind of bug—all legs and body. Suffering mortals who have been sneezing, sniffling and mopping watery eyes will be interested to see the cause of their trouble. This microbe is industrious, if not pretty, and he will continue to be much in evidence unless all present indications fail.



LA GRIPPE MICROBE.

A New Jersey paper prints a picture of a young woman who was bitten nearly to death by mosquitoes. We cannot escape the impression that these mosquitoes sometimes display very poor taste.

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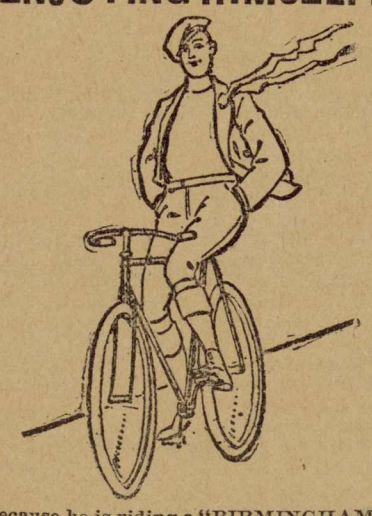

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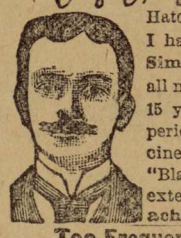

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A HOLIDAY TRIP.

Through Rain and Sleet, With Freezing Feet, Longing in Vain for a Coal Fire's Heat,

A MULE AND A FOOL

And a Man From School, Pursue Their Way One Dismal Day From Montevallo to Blocton,

The holidays are over. I do not know how other people enjoyed theirs, but I had a pretty fair time until Tuesday morning, December 28th, when I yielded to the voice of the tempter in the guise of my partner and agreed to drive to Brierfield on business.

It was one of those "melancholy days, the saddest of the year," when the skies weep, the average female has the megrims and the average man takes several drinks or wishes he were not a total abstainer. A cold, dank mist hid the landscape and through it percolated a nasty, provoking mixture of rain and sleet. Nevertheless I yielded to the entreaties of my evil genius and consented to martyrise myself upon the altar of business duty.

"Where is your rig?" I inquired, after a reluctant and grumbling assent to his proposition.

"At Birmingham Junction," he replied, his red face gleaming with pleasure at his success; "it's only a little walk, and the rig costs nothing."

With that we started. The little walk lengthened into a little over a mile and a half's tramp along the railroad track. Having reached the junction, it transpired that the "rig" was located half a mile further on. At that I balked and entered a demurrer. My partner overruled the demurrer with the statement that it would be mean to "go back on him." I wished to go back on the track, but kept on. Usually my partner is gloomy in his views and mien, but that day he was positively gleeful, impishly so.

We located the "rig." It consisted of a narrow-seated cart, with one broken shaft, also an evil-eyed mule in a loose box. My partner secured a bridle, opened the door of the stable, gave the mule a tentative look and ejaculated "So o-h." The mule (it was a jenny, which made things worse) pricked up her ears and showed her disdain for my partner by turning her back upon him. He retreated and in a feebler voice repeated, "So o oh."

Not relishing a prolonged stay in the mire and rain, I walked past my partner into the stable with a foolish intent to make that jenny turn round. She did. She turned her business end toward me very promptly, and I instinctively climbed into the feed box. Then the fun commenced. The mule must have mistaken me for Cross, the blacksmith, judging from the manner in which she threw up her hind feet for my inspection. My partner murmured "So-o-oh" and then laughed so long and heartily that I thought he had found a mirror and caught a glimpse of his own sweet countenance. Vandermeer Bros., Montevallo's new photographers, would have a little fortune if they had taken a picture of that scene.

For about a minute I surveyed that mule's hinder extremities at various elevations from my coign of vantage, until my partner recovered from his fit of cacchination sufficiently to realize that the mule was giving me her undivided attention and to throw the check rein over her head. While he adjusted the bridle, she made a parting attempt to kick me, but I laughed at her abortive effort with the confidence born of safety, just as an elected and seated president laughs at the kicking of a disappointed office seeker.

He led her out with many a "So o oh", I followed, and then came another circus. It took ten minutes, my partner, myself and a cross-eyed negro to secure that mule in the shafts of the cart, and withal we started with one trace unfastened, which proves the truth of the adage that "too many cooks spoil the broth." That arranged, the mule deliberately ran into a fence. Backed out of that, she tried to return to her stable, but with many "So o ohs" was coaxed into a sullen walk in the direction of Brierfield. My partner drove, I grumbled, and the mule flopped her ears like cabbage leaves on a windy day. Neither of us dared to clamber out of the cart to cut a switch, for fear that the sweet creature might run away and leave him standing with his feet in the mud and the remainder of him in the rain.

At length the mule was so kind as to land us in Brierfield, after shying seventy times seven times. Brierfield has seen better days, like all metropolitan boarding house keepers. It grieves over a defunct iron plant and rejoices in a live normal college. There are so many vacant houses in Brierfield that one can live there rent free. Besides these it has two good stores and a homely postoffice with a pretty postmistress. I had two pleasant experiences in Brierfield: an introduction to Dr. Whitfield and dinner with Mrs. Smith. My partner discovered that it was necessary for us to go to Blocton. He was right, but I had had enough mule for one day. I reminded him that I had an engagement for a reception that evening, that I had a costume ready and ought to go. He looked gloomy and repeated the aphorism that "business comes before pleasure." It is astonishing how such old saws govern men's actions. I fell back upon the inclement weather. He sulkily argued that I could stand it if he could. It unfortunately chanced that just then the sun shone out, so I yielded and went. The mule recommenced her capers as we zigzagged along a very muddy road, and in desperation I got a stout switch. She seemed painfully surprised at its first application and tried to repeat her stable antics, but could not. "Swish" again and off she went, her ears laid back like those of a jack rabbit. She was conquered. With the subjugation of the mule ended the most interesting part of the trip. Through weary wastes of what should be highly cultivated land, over vile roads, up steep ascents and down steeper descents, we made our way to the Cahaba river. There is Pratt's ferry, but my partner averred that the river was low enough to ford. He had crossed it before, so I trusted myself to him and Providence and resignedly watched the mule reluctantly enter the swift stream. It reached to the seat of the cart. Our lower extremities were wetted considerably. Fortunately we managed to reach the opposite bank. There we were hospitably entertained by Mr. Pratt until Wednesday morning, when we completed our journey to Blocton. I had had enough. My partner drove that mule and cart home after we had transacted our business. I preferred to chance a railroad wreck, so came home by train.

BRABSTER WEST.

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NEW ENGLAND RATTLED

THE YANKEE GOLDBUGS REALISE THAT THE SOUTH IS TO MONOPOLISE COTTON MANUFACTURE.

Washington Correspondence.

The New England contingent in congress here is considerably worried at the prospect of Southern cotton mills driving those in New England out of business. A Boston paper, at the request of several New England congressmen, has sent a correspondent, a man thoroughly familiar with the business, through the South to report. He has just returned, and his report is anything but rosy for the outlook in the North. "I find," said this gentleman, "that conditions in the South are simply ideal for the successful manufacture of cotton. Previous to my visit I was somewhat skeptical. That has all changed now. It is only a question of time, and not a very long time at that, when the mills up in my country will be forced out of business by the South. The climate down there, in the first place, is so mild that a workingman can live for less than he can in the North. He needs less heavy clothes, none, or very little coal, and rents and food are cheaper. Then again, the immense amount saved over the Northern mills who have to pay for the transportation of the raw material to the mills. This is also saved in the South.

"I have told all this to the people, and further that they may as well realize that New England as a cotton manufacturing section has seen its best days. The industry in that section has been on the wane for some years, and the climax is not far off. They cannot possibly compete with the South, and they may as well face these conditions now as later. The reductions in wages which have been, and are continually being made are only a forerunner of what is to come. The next few years will, in my opinion, see the breaking up of this one time important industry in New England, and its transfer to the Southern States.

The New England people are very dejected over this state of affairs, but are slowly commencing to see that it had to come. The advantages of the South were for a long time kept in the background on account of the results of the war, but it was always only a question of time as to when the great upheaval was to come.

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AN ABLE ESSAY.

Miss Linda de Yampert's Ideas of Lady-like Deportment.

Resolved: That it is ladylike and shows good breeding to be orderly in the house of God, at your boarding houses, on the street, at the depot, and on the train.

Upon each individual there rests a moral obligation, relative to the manner in which she conducts herself in the house of God. We are made in the likeness of our Creator. Should not this fact stimulate his creatures to respect his house, and so conduct ourselves when assembled there, as to at least reflect credit upon our parents. A wonderful influence is exerted by those who attend the Lord's sanctuary, either for good or evil.

We should remember the church is the temple of the true and living God; it is his abode. While there we are thrown intimately into his solemn, silent presence; then it behooves us to enter his presence with thanksgiving and praise, and never with mirth and a spirit of levity.

As a rule, well-reared people are easily distinguished from those of less fortunate training, and they never so far forget themselves as to behave unbecomingly, especially in a house that has been dedicated to God. The rule holds good as regards our conduct upon the streets, at the depot, on the train and in our respective boarding houses.

Exerting an influence as we do, either for good or bad, a great responsibility is ours. This responsibility should be keenly felt and stimulate all to earnest action.

In many respects I am my brother's keeper, and no doubt in a great degree responsible for his acts, by the influence I exert over him.

There is a silent influence which every true lady exerts, which is more noticeable than outward demonstration.

A girl's conduct in many instances is an unjust reflection upon her home training, for many sweet-spirited, refined, lady-like mothers have their daughters behave so rudely as to tinge the loving mother's face with blushes of mortification.

We are responsible for the influence we exert; then how carefully we should live and deport ourselves, especially in all public places specified in the subject of my paper.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Pat Harrison went up to Maylene, Sunday.

Walter Harrison visited Hargrove last week.

The girls say that Pink Davidson is the "proper chawed rosin."

Frank McBride says he is still in the ring when it comes to horse-swapping.

Quite a crowd attended the sociable at the residence of James Lucas last Friday night.

Mrs. James Lucas and Miss Leila Stripling went to Montevallo, Monday, on a shopping trip.

Osce Burke, of Gonodarque, spent the holidays in and around town with relatives and friends.

Miss Kate Allen, of Highland, is visiting relatives and friends near this place, much to the delight of all the boys.

W. L. Clarke, of Blocton, contemplates moving his family to this place, where he is engaged in opening a coal mine.

EMINENT DIVINES' SERMONS

DR. TALMAGE DISCOURSES ON COMMON SENSE IN RELIGION.

"Look at the Good Side of Life"—Sixth Sermon in the New York Herald's Competitive Series, Written by Rev. John D. Long, of Babylon, Long Island.

TEXT: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."—Philippians, iv., 8.

In other words, keep your eye open to the good that is in the world and, as far as possible, close it to the evil.

David said in his haste, "All men are liars," but he acknowledged that it was a hasty conclusion, and so, presumably, not strictly correct. You, in a similar spirit of impatience, may sometimes be tempted to voice the same opinion. But don't. For, in spite of lies, white and black, polite lies, business lies and malicious lies—lies that seem to worm themselves into every circumstance of life—the world in general hates the lie and loves the truth. This is why you cannot insult a man more deeply than to give him the lie. The insult is due to the fact that public opinion demands the truth. Look, then, on this side of life, instead of allowing your mind to dwell on what is false.

No doubt there is much dishonesty in the world—dishonesty from the milkman who waters his milk to the railroad magnate who waters his stock. Your calico won't wash, your sugar contains glucose and your pepper sawdust. But never mind, after all people in general are honest and at heart believe that "honesty is the best policy." In the main they must act upon that belief, otherwise the wheels of business would stop to-morrow. Think, then, on this better aspect of human life.

Some say that things are very unfair in this world—that, for example, the man who steals a loaf of bread goes to jail while the man who steals a million of money at worst goes to Congress. There is doubtless some truth in this view. And yet there is a just God, and though sometimes He may seem a little slow, His grist is, on the whole, a pretty good article of justice. Remember always that in the long run, anyway, even in this world, right makes might. Think on this, and don't let the fact that many conditions seem uneven and unfair sour your spirit.

Again, there are those who look for dirt and find plenty of it. Human life is by no means immaculate, it is true, but none the less the world is full of the purity of innocent childhood, glorious womanhood and noble manhood. Look upon this side of life—the side that lies out in the sunlight of God's approval. The pessimist thinks that everything is imperfect. He examines the blade of grass and finds it faulty. It is sure to be split or crushed or stunted or otherwise malformed. He always discovers the worm in the heart of the rose or the thorn on the stem. Don't go in his company. See, rather, the loveliness scattered over the world with such a lavish hand. Why, as someone has shown us, even the wayside mud puddle, if viewed at the proper angle, is a thing of beauty, and mirrors the sky and reflects in its bosom the clouds of heaven.

Then why give heed to ill report, either? Forget the bad that you hear of your fellows and remember the good. There is great need of this advice. We are all a little too fond of evil reports. The daily papers, which really only print what the public demands, show this. What is the menu of our breakfast paper? In large measure a plate of violence and robbery, a dish of filth and a bowl of blood. "Give a dog a bad name and that's the end of him." Just so. Well, refuse to think on ill report and you will not repeat it. If you wish to help God and goodness think and speak things of good report

Yes, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things, and you will be better and happier. Life is very much as you view it. As the proverb goes, "The jaundiced see all things yellow." The gamin says, "Oh, it's all in your eye." And so it is. Look on the right side of life and not on the wrong side. Life, no doubt, has a seamy side, but be charitable. Don't think on this side. A painting has a face and a back. All the pictures in your parlor, I venture to say, are hung with the face out. Hang your pictures so in the parlor of your mind. Look for what is good in the lives of your fellow men and you will be happy. No doubt this is a world of sin and misery, and the background of human life is full of shadows. But look at the brightness and seek for the beauty and goodness in God's world. Jesus Christ was able to see something worth loving in the publican and the harlot. Emulate His example and you will find the same result.

Then there is another side to this subject. If you try to see only the good side of life you will help to make the world as you see it. Mark and mention the good in your fellow man and he will seek to rise to the full measure of your esteem. He will be stimulated to deserve your good opinion. Have faith in a man and you will help to make him faithful.

When a man does a good deed—say a kind act—notice it, speak of it, and he will do it again.

By following the advice given in the text you will promote your own happiness and, what is equally important, you will do something toward making the world better.

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COMMON SENSE IN RELIGION.

Dr. Talmage Advocates Reform in Management of Spiritual Affairs.

TEXT: "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light."—Luke xvi., 8.

That is another way of saying that Christians are not so skillful in the manipulation of spiritual affairs as worldlings are skillful in the management of temporalities. I see all around me people who are alert, earnest, concentrated and skillful in monetary matters, who in the affairs of the soul are laggards, inane, inert. The great want of the world is more common sense in matters of religion. If one half of the skill and forcefulness employed in financial affairs was employed in disseminating the truths of Christ and trying to make the world better, within ten years the last Juggernaut would fall, the last throne of oppression upset, the last iniquity tumble and the anthem that was chanted over Bethlehem on Christmas night would be echoed and re-echoed from all Nations and kindred and people: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will to men."

In the first place, my friends, we want more common sense in the building and conduct of churches. The idea of adaptiveness is always paramount in any other kind of structure. If bankers meet together, and they resolve upon putting up a bank, the bank is especially adapted to banking purposes; if a manufacturing company puts up a building, it is to be adapted in a monetary institution, then go off for five years, make no inquiry in regard to the investment, then come back, step up to the cashier of the institution and say: "Have you kept those $10,000 safely that I lodged with you?" but asking no question about interest or dividend? Why, you say, "That is not common sense." Neither is it, but that is the way we act in matters of the soul. We make a far more important investment than $10,000. We invest our soul. It is accumulative? Are we growing in grace? Are we getting better? Are we getting worse? God declares many dividends, but we do not collect them; we do not want them. Oh, that in this matter of accumulation we were as wise in the matters of the soul as we are in the matters of the world!

How little common sense in the reading of the Scriptures! We get any other book, to manufacturing purposes; but adaptiveness is not always the question in the rearing of churches. In many of our churches we want more light, more room, more ventilation, more comfort. Vast sums of money are expended on ecclesiastical structures, and men sit down in them, and you ask a man how he likes the church; he says, "I like it very well, but I can't hear."

Again I remark: We want more common sense in the obtaining of religious hope. All men understand that in order to succeed in worldly directions they must concentrate. They think on that one object, on that one subject, until their mind takes fire with the velocity of their own thoughts. All their acumen, all their strategy, all their wisdom, all their common sense they put in that one direction, and they succeed. But how seldom it is true in the matter of seeking after God! While no man expects to accomplish anything for this world without concentration and enthusiasm, how many are there expecting after a while to get into the kingdom of God without the use of any such means.

Again, I remark: We want more common sense in the building up and enlarging of our Christian character. There are men who have for forty years been running the Christian race, and they haven't run a quarter of a mile! No business man would be willing to have his investments unaccumulative. If you invest a dollar you expect that dollar to come home bringing another dollar on its back. What would you think of a man who should invest $10,000 and we open it, and we say, "Now what does this book mean to teach me? It is a book on astronomy; it will teach me astronomy. It is a book on political economy; it will teach me political economy. Taking up this Bible, do we ask ourselves what it means to teach? It means to do just one thing, get the world converted and get us all to heaven. That is what it proposes to do. But instead of that we go into the Bible as botanists to pick flowers, or we go as pugilists to get something to fight other Christians with, or we go as logicians trying to sharpen our mental faculties for a better argument, and we do not like this about the Bible and we do not like that, and we do not like the other thing.

How little we use common sense in prayer! We say, "Oh, Lord, give me this," and "Oh, Lord, give me that," and "Oh, Lord, give me something else," and we do not expect to get it, or getting it, we do not know we have it. We have no anxiety about it. We do not watch and wait for its coming. As a merchant, you telegraph or you write to some other city for a bill of goods. You say, "Send me by such express, or by such a steamer, or by such a rail-train." The day arrives. You send your wagon to the depot or to the wharf. The goods do not come. You immediately telegraph, "What is the matter with those goods? We haven't received them. Send them right away. We want them now, or we don't want them at all." And you keep writing, and you keep telegraphing, and keep sending your wagon to the depot, or to the express office, or to the wharf, until you get the goods. In matters of religion we are not so wise as that. We ask certain things to be sent from heaven. We do not know whether they come or not. We have not any special anxiety as to whether they come or not. We may get them and we may not get them. Instead of at 7 o'clock in the morning saying, "Have I got that blessing?" at 12 o'clock, noonday, asking, "Have I got that blessing?" at 7 o'clock in the evening saying, "Have I received that blessing?" and not getting it, pleading, pleading—begging, begging—asking, asking until you get it. Now, my brethren, is not that common sense? If we ask a thing from God, who has sworn by His eternal throne that He will do that which we ask, is it not common sense that we should watch and wait until we get it?

But I remark again: We want more common sense in doing good. Oh, how many people there are who want to do good, and they are dead failures! Why is it? They do not exercise the same tact, the same ingenuity, the same stratagem, the same common sense in the work of Christ that they do in worldly things. Otherwise they would succeed in this direction as well as they succeed in the other. There are many men who have an arrogant way with them, although they may not feel arrogant in their soul. Or they have a patronizing way. They talk to a man of the world in a manner which seems to say: "Don't you wish you were as good as I am? Why, I have to look clear down before I can see you, you are so far beneath me." That manner always disgusts, always drives men from the kingdom of Jesus Christ, instead of bringing them in.

Suppose some business man in whose skill you had perfect confidence should tell you that to-morrow, Monday morning, between 11 and 12 o'clock, you could by a certain financial transaction make $5000, but that on Tuesday perhaps you might make it, but there would not be any positiveness about it, and on Wednesday there would not be so much, and Thursday less, Friday less, and so on less and less—when would you attend to the matter? Why, your common sense would dictate, "Immediately, I will attend to that matter, between 11 and 12 o'clock to-morrow, Monday morning, for then I can surely accomplish it, but on Tuesday I may not, and on Wednesday there is less prospect and less and less, and I will attend to it to-morrow. Now, let us bring our common sense in this matter of religion. Here are the hopes of the Gospel. We may get them now. To-morrow we may get them. Next day we may and we may not. The prospect less and less and less and less. The only sure time now—now. I would not talk to you in this way if I did not know that Christ was able to save all the people. I would not go into a hospital and tear off the bandages from the wounds if I had no balm to apply. I would not have the face to tell a man he is a sinner unless I had at the same time the authority for saying he may be saved.

"Mamma," said a little child to her mother, when she was being put to bed at night, "mamma, what makes your hand so scarred and twisted and unlike other people's hands?" "Well," said the mother, "my child, when you were younger than you are now, years ago, one night after I had put you to bed I heard a cry, a shriek, upstairs. I came up and found the bed was on fire, and you were on fire, and I took hold of you and tore off the burning garments, and while I was tearing them off and trying to get you away I burned my hand, and it has been scarred and twisted ever since, and hardly looks any more like a hand; but I got that, my child, in trying to save you."

O man! O woman! I wish to-day I could show you the burned hand of Christ—burned in plucking you out of the fire, burned in snatching you away from the flame. Ay, also the burned foot and the burned brow and the burned heart—burned for you. "By His stripes ye are healed."

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

Maine has more deer than sheep.

England buys Australian oranges.

Minnesota sends potatoes to Maine.

The Denver (Col.) cigarette license is $1000.

Army officers will command the Government's relief expedition to the Klondike.

Secretary Gage's new estimate calls for $32,000,000 more than this year's expenses.

The resources of seventeen commercial banks of San Francisco are given as $73,401,306.

The San Francisco Grand Jury recommends the suppression of nickel-in-the-slot machines.

Toronto (Canada) retailers want a graduated business tax. This is aimed at the department stores.

A postal note system similar to that of the United States will go into operation in Canada July 1, 1898.

The margin within the debt limit of Greater New York, according to Edward M. Shepard, is $48,000,000.

It was reported in Washington that the President will have removed from the classified service certain bonded officials.

Secretary Gage reported to the Senate, in response to a resolution, that there were no supernumerary employes in his department.

Pneumatic tubes for the mail service of Chicago will be in operation between the depots, sub-stations and the general office soon.

The Slavs are taking kindly to a Socialistic propaganda in Austria, which may tend to further complicate matters in that country.

The Count and Countess Castellane have bought an Italian palace at Verona, from which eleven ceilings painted by Tiepolo will be removed to Paris.

The report of the New Jersey State Board of Assessors shows that the taxes assessed this year against railroads and other corporations amounted to $2,180,549.37.

The American Sugar Growers' Society has prepared a petition to Congress against Hawaiian annexation on the ground that it would injure the sugar beet industry.

The Rev. Mr. Rappaport, forty-two years old, Rabbi of the B'nai Scholom Synagogue, in New Haven, Conn., died a few days ago of blood poisoning caused by a cut on the middle finger of his right hand, with a knife used in slaughtering cattle.

The Louisville (Ky.) Presbytery found the Rev. Dr. M. H. Houston guilty of heresy, because of his views on sanctification. He was admonished to lay these aside and conform to the views and practices of the church, on penalty of suspension from the church.

One of the finest mineral springs in the world has been discovered in the heart of Chattanooga, Tenn. A local manufactory bored a well 150 feet deep to obtain a supply of water and found the water to be similar to that of the famous springs of France and Germany.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The late Charles A. Dana held $70,000 of life insurance.

Prince Bismarck is reported to be rapidly failing, both mentally and physically.

Former President Cleveland has joined the University Cottage Club at Princeton.

Speaker Reed will make an address at the semi-centennial celebration of Girard College in Philadelphia.

Marcus Daly, worth $30,000,000, was born in Jersey City, N. J., in a wagon, and worked for $2 a week when a boy. He struck pay dirt in copper, silver and gold, and believes in luck.

Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, lives three miles from the Capitol in Washington, but walks the distance every fine morning. Speaker Reed, who lives a mile and a half away, also walks to the National legislative halls.

H. S. Townsend, who fought in the Black Hawk War when he was eighteen years old, and was a lifelong and intimate friend of Lincoln and Grant, is living at Maryville, Mo., hale and hearty, at the age of eighty-three years.

A. C. Harmsworth, who equipped the Jackson-Harmsworth Arctic expedition in 1894, has presented his ship, the Windward, to Lieutenant R. E. Peary, who will have it overhauled and sent to this country, for use in his coming expedition.

L. A. Lamotte, the noted abolitionist, who died in Baltimore the other day, was the father of Eugene Aurelius Ralph Lamotte, the famous "Drummer Boy of Shiloh," whose name has been sung in prose and poetry all over the civilized world.

Two of the oldest men in the House of Representatives at Washington are Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania, who is mentioned as a probable Republican candidate for Governor, and John Baker, of Illinois, who represents William R. Morrison's old district. Mr. Baker was born in 1822, and is a year older than Mr. Grow.

D. O. Mills has one of the large fortunes in America. He is a 'Forty-niner, and, like Huntington, made his fortune in trade, not with a pick and shovel. He sold picks and shovels to the miners, guns and ammunition to the desperadoes, and rubber boots to the engineers. He started a bank, and afterward went into railroad construction, making millions. When a boy he peddled household goods in New York.

RICH YIELD OF SALMON EGGS.

Previous Records Beaten—Millions For Eastern and Western Waters.

The work of collecting salmon eggs at the California Fish Commission hatchery on the Sacramento River at Anderson has been concluded for the season.

The results of the season's operations are the most remarkable on record. Forty-eight and a half million eggs were collected, exceeding the previous records made at this station by twenty-two millions, and twenty-eight millions more than were collected at all the other hatcheries on the Coast in 1897.

The eggs are to be hatched and the fry planted in the waters of the State, with the exception of three million that are to be sent to Oregon and six million that go to the New England States' station on the United States Commissioner's car.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JANUARY 9.

Lesson Text: "Jesus Tempted," Matthew ix., 1-11—Golden Text: Hebrews ii., 18—Commentary on the Lesson For the Day Written by Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

1. "Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil." From the beginning to the end He was under the guidance and control of the Holy Spirit most fully. The Father having testified to the fact that He was His beloved, well pleasing Son, the Spirit now leads Him into this great conflict with the devil, at the very beginning of His public work, that He may meet the adversary face to face and overcome him. And now, in that He Himself hath suffered, being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted (Heb. ii., 18). He had been subject for thirty years to all the temptations of an ordinary human life, but this is something special, and, as Dr. Weston says, has to do with Him as Son of "Man," Son of God and the Messiah.

2. "And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward an hungered." Luke iv., 2, says, "In those days He did eat nothing." This was not a new thing on the earth, for Moses passed through it twice and Elijah once (Deut. ix., 9, 18; I Kings xix., 8). On the Mount of Transfiguration we find the three who fasted forty days. There must be some wondrous significance connected with it which we have not yet had revealed to us. In Mark xi., 12, we read of another occasion on which He was hungry, and one of His last utterances on the cross was, "I thirst" (John xix., 28), but what an awful thirst that must have been!

3. "And when the tempter came to Him he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." God had testified, "This is My Beloved Son," but the devil questions it to His face, with this "if." As in the garden of Eden he questions the word of God with his "Yea, hath God said" (Gen. iii., 1), and has ever since been doing the same thing, so he does not hesitate to face the Son of God Himself with his devilish doubts. Think it not strange, then, if he oft approaches you in this way, but receive not his doubts; it is better not to listen to him.

4. "But He answered and said, It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Not the gratification of our desires, but the will of God, is the great thing. Just as in our words we show our loved ones our hearts, so God in His word has given us His heart for us, and God is love. Shall we be satisfied with His heart and His way and thus live on His word, or shall we insist on having all things minister to our comfort at all costs?

5. "Then the devil taketh Him up into the Holy City and setteth Him on a pinnacle of the temple." Up to Jerusalem, the city of the great king (chapter v., 35). Do not stop to ask how, but simply believe and consider the temptation and the victory and ask the Spirit to apply it to your own soul. The wilderness and the hunger, and the stones suggest the hard and lonely and commonplace things in daily life, but the Holy City, the temple and a pinnacle thereof suggest holy things and the heights thereof not so common, but far more dangerous ground because more holy.

6. "And saith unto Him, if Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down, for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee and in their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest at any time Thou dash Thy foot against a stone." The devil can quote Scripture, and sometimes quite freely and at great length, but never to glorify God nor to help a soul to know Him. He always perverts it with the purpose of working ruin. The man who thinks that because he is a child of God and controlled by the Spirit therefore he cannot sin, nor even make a mistake, is on a pinnacle of the temple listening to the devil. He would do well to consider these words, "If a man think himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself." If any man think that he knoweth anything, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know" (Gal. vi., 3; I Cor. viii., 2).

7. "Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." Scripture never contradicts Scripture, but explains it and instructs us how to avert its abuse. Jesus quoted it from the heart to the glory of God, believing every word, but the devil uses it only wickedly. We may be said to tempt God when we make a self-willed demand for His help, or in any way claim his promises for selfish ends. Our Lord lived that the Father might be glorified, and taught us that when we are willing to live thus we can ask what we will and receive it.

8. "Again the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them." The first temptation was to satisfy His physical need, to satisfy Himself, on the ground that He was entitled to it; the second was to show Himself and what a great one He was; the third was to accept the world without the way of the cross. The prince of this world offers it simply on condition that it be accepted as from him and that he be thanked for it.

9. "And saith unto Him, All these things will I give Thee if Thou wilt fall down and worshid me." The time will come when the antichrist, the man of sin, the beast of Rev. xiii., will accept this offer of satan and for a brief period will do wondrously, but, oh, how brief his dominion, how fearful his fall and how awful his eternal doom, the lake of fire and brimstone forever! (Rev. xix., 20).

10. "Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, satan, for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." True worshipers worship the father in spirit and in truth, for the Father seeketh such to worship Him. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth" (John iv., 23, 24). The word of God is the only guide, the Holy Spirit the only teacher, the Lord Jesus the only way to God the Father; so to worship in spirit and in truth means that in all things Jesus is acknowledged as Lord to the glory of God the Father, and that all is done in accordance with the word and in the power of the Spirit.

11. "Then the devil leaveth Him, and behold angels came and ministered unto Him." Luke iv., 13, says that the devil departed from Him for a season. How thankful we should be that our Lord did not conquer satan in what we might call a miraculous way, but in such a way as He will through us conquer him also. He has left us His sword, the Word of God, and we are told in Eph. vi., 16, 17, that these, the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit, will surely overcome the adversary. —Lesson Helper.

Damage Done by Monkeys.

Great damage has been done lately in the Ibaraki district of Japan by monkeys. In some cases the animals, infuriated by hunger, even attacked human beings.

MONETARY COMMISSION'S REPORT.

Made by Authority of the Indianapolis Business Men's Convention.

The report of the Monetary Commission appointed under authority of the convention of business men, held in Indianapolis last January, has just been made public. The existing gold standard on which business has been done since 1879 is maintained on the ground the industrial interests demand certainty as to what the standard shall be. To this end it is urged that the United States should remove all uncertainty as to the meaning of "coin" in its obligations, thereby saving the taxpayer by the ability to borrow at a lower rate of interest. No attempt is made to remove the existing silver dollars, nor to change their legal tender quality; on the contrary, a place is provided for them in the circulation by forbidding the issue of any paper money other than silver certificates in denominations below $10.

It is regarded by the Commission as dangerous to maintain the present practice of using Government demand obligations as money.

The Commission, therefore, strongly urge the Government to withdraw its demand obligations now used as money, decline to provide gold for exporters and put the burden and expense of maintaining a redeemable paper circulation upon the banks. In order to meet the demand obligations, the present reserves of gold in the Treasury furnish a sufficient sum to be set aside in a Division of Issue and Redemption; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell bonds whenever the reserves need replenishment. In this way, or from surplus revenue, the demand obligations (that is, United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890,) can be removed in such a way that the cost to the country can be reduced, with the result of simplifying our currency, and adding to confidence in the certainty of our standard. By the plan of the Commission the withdrawal of Government paper is so arranged that contraction cannot possibly take place; if United States notes are cancelled their place will be taken by the gold paid out for them, or by the expansion of bank notes.

The demand obligations of the United States were not a money based on property; they were only a debt. On the other hand, a bank note is never issued (fraud, of course, excluded) except for a consideration in negotiable property of equal or greater value. The bank note comes forth as the sequel of a business transaction, and is based on the active property of the country which is passing between producers and consumers. This property is always negotiable and always equal to the duty of meeting the note liability. Bank notes are as sound as the business transactions of the country. The currency of the country, moreover, should increase as the transactions of the country increase; hence the rigid unchanging issues of the Government make them an inelastic part of the circulation, while by the very process of their issue bank notes alone can be automatically adjusted to the changing transactions of the business community.

In amending the present national banking system, the Commission were actuated by a desire to secure absolute safety to the note holder; to make the notes uniform and of equal currency in all parts of the country to create an elastic system, which, while expanding in response to increasing transactions, should healthily contract when transactions diminish, and which would help in a better distribution of banking facilities throughout the Western and Southern States.

While providing for the partial use of bonds for securing notes (twenty-five per cent. of the capital) the Commission propose that notes beyond this should be issued on all, instead of a part of the resources of a bank; and within a few years that no special bond security should be required. Banks may issue notes up to sixty per cent. of their capital without restraint; for issue beyond sixty per cent. and up to eighty per cent. they pay a tax of two per cent.; for those beyond eighty per cent. and up to 100 per cent. they pay a tax of six per cent. These notes would be a prior lien upon all the resources of the bank, and, in addition, upon the stockholders' liability. Moreover, all banks issuing notes contribute five per cent. of their circulation as a permanent guaranty fund. For daily redemptions, banks are required to keep a five per cent. redemption fund in the hands of the Comptroller of the Currency. Banks of $25,000 capital may be established in places of 4000 inhabitants, and branch banks are also permitted.

Forced to Kill Him.

At noon Friday George Bush and Enoch Tyler, two employes of the Hamburger mills at Columbus, Ga., met in front of the mills and grappled each other. During the struggle Bush fired two shots into the body of Tyler, killing him almost instantly. One ball entered the breast and the other the shoulder. Both parties were mere boys, each being only 17 years old.

Captain-General Blanco has signed an edict permitting the exportation of tobacco from Cuba.

"A shoemaker makes a good shoe because he makes nothing else," says Emerson, and the idea may be taken up with advantage in almost any line of business. A merchant tailor in a town of 60,000 population made some cassocks for a few local priests. Now he is advertising himself in the Catholic papers and by circulars to the clergy of that church as a "cassock-maker," and sends hundreds of these garments all over the United States, and is kept busy the year round. At home he is simply a merchant tailor, doing a good business, while his out-of-town customers know him only as a man whose particular business is making cassocks, and who, making a specialty of this feature, is enabled to supply a better cassock and at a lower price than they can get elsewhere.—Printers' Ink.

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His coat was rough and rather worn,
His cheeks were thin and pale—
A lad who had his way to make,
With little time for play;
I knew him for a gentleman
By certain signs to-day.

He met his mother on the street;
Off came his little cap.
My door was shut; he waited there
Until I heard his rap.
He took the bundle from my hand,
And when I dropped my pen,
He sprang to pick it up for me—
This gentleman of ten.

He does not push and crowd along;
His voice is gently pitched;
He does not fling his books about
As if he were bewitched.
He stands aside to let you pass;
He always shuts the door;
He runs on errands willingly
To forge and mill and store.

He thinks of you before himself
He serves you if he can;
For, in whatever company,
The manners make the man.
At ten or forty, 'tis the same;
The manner tells the tale,
And I discern the gentleman
By signs that never fail.

—Margaret E. Sangster.

TOMMY'S DISCOVERY.

Since Christmas was only a little over a week distant it was no wonder that Tommy was very much interested in everything pertaining thereto. Christmases did not seem anywhere near so close together to Tommy as they did to Tommy's papa. In fact, they appeared to be dreadfully far apart, and, think as hard as he might, Tommy could not recollect more than four of them in his whole life, though Tommy's mamma said that he had seen three more.

As Tommy lay in bed thinking the matter over he thought those three Christmases could not have amounted to much, since they had not impressed themselves upon his memory, and particularly as he had only a very plain rubber ring and a tin rattle to show for them. The last few Christmases he had received splendid presents—tops, toy guns and gaudily painted tin soldiers. Tommy began wishing very hard that he might go and see Santa Claus and the place where all those wonderful presents came from.

"It must be a perfectly marvelous place," thought Tommy, "and I'd like to really, truly see Santa Claus—believe I'd rather be him than President Cleveland." For Tommy's papa and mamma had both said that he might some time be President of the United States, but had never suggested that there was the slightest probability of his ever becoming Santa Claus.

The more Tommy thought of the matter the more he wished that he could visit the home of Santa Claus. He wished and he wished and he wished—and then! Tommy had read of a little boy by the name of Johnny Sizzletop, who, by holding the wishing stone of the Great and Most Supreme Rabbida, that had been given him by an old fairy woman, and wishing very hard, had become a fairy king. Yet he had never dreamed that if he only wished hard enough he might have his wish gratified, even though he did not have such a stone in his hand, But now he looked about him and saw that he certainly had experienced that great good fortune. He was standing by the open door of a funny little log house that he did not need to have anybody tell him was Santa Claus' home. It had a conical, square little chimney, and its roof and the ground all about it was covered with snow that was made out of powdered isinglass, like the snow on Christmas cards. Besides, there was a little rubber dog sitting in the doorway that Tommy knew would squeak if he were squeezed properly, and a little tin rooster standing on the fence, while a tin soldier in a most gaudy paint uniform was walking up and down in the little back yard, literally as stiff and straight as a gun barrel.

"But where can Santa Claus be?" thought Tommy disappointedly, peering into the empty front room of the little house.

"Anything I can do for you, sir?"

Tommy looked around at the sound of the strange voice and found the tin soldier standing by his side, the young man's fingers touching his cap in polite salute. Tommy was somewhat startled for a moment, but he very quickly regained his wonted composure and said as respectfully as he knew how:—

"If you please, I came here to see Mr. Santa Claus. Will you kindly inform me whether he is at home?"

Regret shone visibly upon the features of the tin soldier.

"I am very sorry," he said, kindly. "Indeed, I am greatly pained, but Mr. Santa Claus is out. However, you may step in, and perhaps Mrs. Santa Claus may have time to say 'How do you do?' to you, though she is the busiest woman that ever lived. I declare, it is wonderful the work Mrs. Santa Claus does."

"Why," exclaimed Tommy, "I didn't know there ever was such a lady!"

"Of course there is a Mrs. Santa Claus! I am surprised at your ignorance," remarked the tin soldier, as he led the way into Santa Claus' house.

Away in the back of the house they came upon Mrs. Santa Claus. And busy!—Tommy felt that he, too, had never seen anybody quite so busy, unless it were his own mamma just before Christmas. Her fingers just flew as she worked on a doll's bonnet, and Tommy could smell some candy that she had cooking in the next room, that he saw was her kitchen.

Yet, with all that work to see to, she was an awfully jolly, roly poly little woman, with the merriest little spectacled eyes and the funniest little cap imaginable.

"Why are you looking at me so wonderingly, little man?" she asked, stroking the large felt pet cat that sat by her side, and looking at Tommy pleasantly over the top of her spectacles.

The felt cat purred and also looked inquiringly at Tommy.

"Because I never saw you before," answered Tommy, truthfully, "and because I never heard of you, though I have heard of your husband often. He brings me presents."

"Can I do anything for you?" she asked, kindly. "I am very busy—almost too busy to say 'How do you do' to little men, although I am very fond of them, and of little women, too."

A bright idea occurred to Tommy. He had been wishing for a long time that Santa Claus would bring him a bicycle this Christmas. Now would be a good time to speak of it, Tommy thought, and he acted upon the inspiration.

"A bicycle," repeated Mrs. Santa Claus, "you would like Santa Claus to bring you a bicycle? Well," she added, thoughtfully, "I'll have to tell him about that. You see, I attend to the Christmas candy, and the dolls and their clothes, and Mr. Claus attends to the bicycles and guns and boys' toys," she continued, holding the doll's cap off for inspection. "If he had the making of the little girls' dolls I am sure there never would be any; and, as for their clothes, they never would be in fashion. I am sure he would let the candy burn while he was whittling out jumping jacks."

"I've often wondered how he could do it all," respectfully remarked Tommy.

Then he scratched the felt cat under its chin, and it purred delightedly.

"Please tell him rubber tires," said Tommy.

"I suppose half the folks don't know there's any Mrs. Santa Claus," mused the little woman when she again took her rocking chair, "because I'm so busy [illegible] I can't make any calls from one [illegible]stmas to another. And then I [illegible] go out with Mr. Claus," she [illegible]ed, "because I am afraid I [illegible] get wedged in some chimney. [illegible]'t think steam heaters will make [illegible]y easier, either."

"I should think it would make it harder," said Tommy.

"Besides, I have to cook Santa's Christmas turkey."

"He must be very hungry after he's been all around," said Tommy. "I am when I've been sliding down hill all the afternoon."

"Now, you have seen there is a Mrs. Santa Claus, and I'll tell Mr. Santa Claus about the bicycle with rubber tires," continued the little woman, and——"

But Tommy did not seem to catch the rest of what she was saying. Perhaps it was "Good night," or "Good-by." At any rate, Mrs. Santa Claus, the tin soldier and the felt cat, with the little room faded slowly away; and when Tommy opened his eyes the next morning he was lying in his own little bed, just as though he had never left it.

Nevertheless, Tommy told his papa, his mamma, his big brother and little sister all about his visit, at the breakfast table. His big brother laughed at him, and said that he had only been dreaming, and that there was no Santa Claus or Mrs. Santa Claus. But it is well known that there are wiser persons than seventeen-year-old brothers.

Tommy's papa and mamma did not laugh at him—at least not at the table—and, Tommy felt that they ought to know more about it than Frank. Then, when Christmas came at last there was the bicycle with rubber tires that Tommy wanted, standing under the Christmas tree. There was a beautiful doll, too, for Tommy's little sister, all dressed in what Tommy was sure was the latest style in clothes and hats—all of which proved quite conclusively to Tommy's mind that there was a Mrs. Santa Claus, who worked quite as hard to make children happy as did Mr. Santa Claus, but somehow or other did not get the credit for it; but this poor little lady, who has been neglected so long, has now a stanch defender in Tommy, who has almost persuaded his big brother that there is a Santa Claus as well as a Mrs. Santa Claus, who, according to Tommy's account, is the nicer of the two.

Jute Looks Like Wool.

The difficulty in dyeing into jute so as to make it resemble wool has been overcome by a Scotch inventor, and considerable quantities of jute thus prepared are being made up with wool in various goods of great beauty and usefulness. It is manufactured in such a way that the face of the article is of wool, while the warp is of the best jute.

Quecrest Town in England.

The most curious town in England is Northwich. There is not a straight street, nor, in fact, a straight house, in the place; every part of it has the appearance of having recently suffered from the visitation of an earthquake.

Northwich, as every one knows, is the center of the salt industry. On nearly all sides of the town are big salt works, with their engines pumping hundreds of thousands of gallons of brine every week.

At a depth of some two hundred or three hundred feet are immense subterranean lakes of brine, and as the contents of these are pumped and pumped away, the upper crust of earth is correspondingly weakened, and the result is an occasional subsidence.

Those subsidences have a "pulling" effect on the nearest buildings, which are drawn all ways, giving the town an upside-down appearance.

Right in His Line.

"How long," inquired the Eastern potentate, "has the young man been in the treadmill?"

"Two weeks, O conquering king. And he told me yesterday that he was having a fine time, although the scenery was getting monotonous."

"Two weeks? Great Allah! Who is he, anyway?"

"He claims he is an American bicycle scorcher; but what that might be I know not."—Puck.

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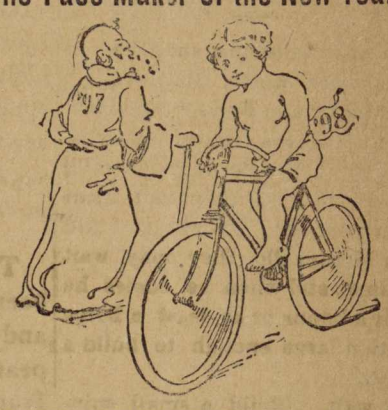

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Knocked Out. Zeilin's big fraud has just been knocked out by the Supreme Court. The unfortunate merchants who were induced to buy the stuff find themselves with goods that cannot be sold, as the Supreme Court enjoined it. The United States Court knocked out the old proprietors of the article now called "Black Draught" as perpetrators of fraud.

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SMALL COTTON MILLS.

"With inexhaustible supplies of coal and pure water, Montevallo," says the Montevallo News, "is an ideal location for a cotton factory." So it is, and the good people of Montevallo should build one. If they wait until a Northern operator is ready to build a mill in Montevallo, they may wait a long time; and when he comes he will want a bonus or at least a home subscription large enough to build a small mill.

Don't wait. Build a small spinning mill. Twenty-five thousand dollars will do at the start. Gather it in by installments. If a man says he can pay in the course of twenty months five hundred dollars, accept his subscription; wait until the money is in hand, and then begin the building of the factory. One-story factories are preferred now-a-days. Make your plans with an eye to extensions as the years roll by.

In just this way North Carolina has become a great cotton manufacturing state. A good share of her 200 mills were built from home subscription, and in many instances the snbscription were paid in installments. This state needs at least one hundred small mills. A trip to almost any small North Carolina town will make plain the methods. Plans and all needful help can be there procured. There is nothing of an experimental nature involved. All points have been settled. The climate, the labor question, the market for yarns—all have been tested on Southern soil and all are well understood. Go to North Carolina for all practical experience that may be wanting..

Let Montevallo get together and build the first of the one hundred small factories that Alabama needs, and therefore must have. The town is, as the News says, an ideal location for such a factory. Fuel would be in that town a small item of expense, and its pure water gives assurance of health and energy alike to operatives and the management.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

The Age-Herald, in the foregoing comments upon the article in the News, anticipated what the News intended to say in this issue upon the subject. Montevallo has all the resources necessary for successful cotton manufacturing, not only pure water and inexhaustible supplies of coal, but also water power. There flows through Montevallo a stream called Shoal Creek which, properly utilised, would furnish sufficient water power to run three cotton factories and an electric light plant.

The editor of the News knows that what the Age-Herald says about the cotton mills of North Carolina is correct. It is also true of those in South Carolina. They have been mainly built by home capital. There is nothing in the way of Montevallo's needed cotton mill but the apathy of many of her people.

The editor of this paper, in common with all the people of Montevallo, regrets to hear that Mr. S. B. Gibson, the efficient secretary of the Girls' Polytechnic Institute, will shortly leave here for Birmingham. Mr. Gibson's sterling qualities and devotion to his work insure his success wherever he may go or whatever he may engage in.

A movement is on foot to have the telegraph office located up town, with D. W. Shivers in charge. The News endorses the project and hopes it may meet with success.

Some of the Alabamians who went to Texas last year have returned, impressed with the fact that a hustler has better chances of success in Alabama than anywhere else.

Col. R. B. Kyle, of Gadsden, spent the Christmas season at Columbus, Ga, and on his return stated that while there he had seen a Poland China hog weighing 1,525 pounds. Columbus must have a powerful brand of whiskey.

The legislature of Ohio having been organised by the Democrats and Bushnell republicans, it appears almost certain that Mark Hanna's bestial face and abhorrent personality will soon cease to disgrace the Senate chamder.

A just providence has retired Grover Cleveland to the obscurity from which he should never have emerged, and every decent, patriotic man in the United States hopes and prays that Mark Hanna may be similarly dealt with.

The Washington correspondence anent the New England cotton manufactures which appears on the front page of this issue of the News will be pleasing reading to all the poeple in this district. Now that it is evident that the cotton manufacturing industry will inevitably be transferred to the south, it becomes the paramount duty of the citizens of Montevallo to organise a Commercial Club and take the necessary steps to have one or more cotton factories located at this, the most advantageously situated cotton manufacturing point in Alabama.

WORDS OF PRAISE.

SPOKEN OF THE NEW NEWS BY PAPERS AND PEOPLE.

A. S. Carruthers, formerly a reporter on the Birmingham Age-Herald, has bought an interest in the Montevallo News and will in the future give the people of that thriving city a paper in every way worthy of their support. As a humorous writer Mr. Carruthers has few equals in Alabama and we feel certain that his articles will be highly appreciated by his readers. The CLIPPER wishes the News unbounded success under its new management.—Collinsville Clipper.

Montevallo claims to have received 4,000 bales of cotton this season. We are not surprised. Live merchants make a live town. The advertising columns of the NEWS show that the Montevallo merchants appreciate the value of printer's ink in drawing trade to their town.—People's Advocate.

If you want a desirable building lot or a cheap home, call on or write to the Shelby County Bank.

BIBB COUNTY FARMERS.

The residents of precinct No. 9, Bibb county, met on December 28th to consider the question whether or not the use of fertilizers is advisable when the price of cotton is so low. There was great divergence of opinion about the matter, but all—irrespective of political affiliation—voted for a resolution that all candidates for the legislature should be required to pledge themselves to vote for a measure reducing the salaries of all State officials 50 per cent. It was also the sense of the meeting that the justices of the peace in each precinct should have the authority now vested in the county judge, which office should be abolished.

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None are so low
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CHARGES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

SCHOOL NOTES.

President Reynolds Complimented.

Many of the returning young ladies brought with them letters from their parents to President Reynolds, highly eulogistic of the work accomplished at the Institute. The following extract is a fair sample of many:

TALLADEGA, January 1, 1898.
President H. C. Reynolds, Montevallo, Ala.

Dear Sir: It should be the pride and glory of your life that you are so honorably connected with the grandest Female Institute of our State. Its past is brief but brilliant, and gives promise of a most glorious future.

JNO. W. BISHOP,
Probate Judge.

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Miss B. M. Haley of Jasper, Ala., brought back her sister Francilla.

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Mrs. Dyer, of Stanton, brought her two sisters to the Institute last Monday.

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Dr. Morton, of Vernon, spent last Monday at the Institute with his daughter Claudia.

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The grounds in front of the Institute will be plowed and sown in crimson clover.

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The well at the rear of the dormitory building is supplying an ample sufficiency of water.

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The sun shines on Montevallo once more, for the sunshiny girls have all returned.

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President Reynolds has received a large number of applications for admission to the school.

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President Reynolds has been obliged to order more desks to accommodate the new pupils.

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J. C. Reece, of Tallapoosa, last Monday visited Montevallo and entered his daughter, Miss Nattie, as a pupil at the Institute.

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Miss May Swain, one of last years pupils, was married last week. She is the 14th of the 150 to get married already. This is a good showing.

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A school of Elocution has been commenced, with Miss Centerfit, of Montgomery, as professor. Many girls have enrolled themselves as her pupils.

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Miss Exie Hames, the lovely daughter of Judge Hames, of Jacksonville, Calhoun county, is one of the latest additions to the pretty girls of the Institute.

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This term the Institute will award diplomas in each separate school, in order to develop in each girl ambition to succeed in the branch for which her talents most fit her.

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President Reynolds and Mrs. Babb are highly gratified at the vim with which the girls have recommenced their studies, and say that in interest and assiduity they are continually improving.

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Since the holidays the mode of night study has been changed. Under the new system the girls in the dormitory and each boarding house gather in the room and there, under the supervision of a teacher or monitor, prepare their lessons for the morrow.

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The baby daughter of Will Evans the colored janitor, died on New Year's day, and was interred on Sunday. Many of the teachers and pupils sent flowers to place on the little coffin. Mrs. Babb, with her usual kindness, has materially aided the janitor in meeting the expenses attendant upon the sickness and funeral of the child.

For Sale.—Poland China sow and eight shoats for sale. Apply at Newton's market, Montevallo, Ala.

DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor; preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., W. Lyman, superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society meets at 4 p. m. on Monday after the second and fourth Sundays.

METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.
J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P.—Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month.
C. F. ROBINS, C. C.
G. B. MONROE, K. of R. & S.

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Everyone is invited to call at the Shelby County Bank for an artistic calender.

J. B. McKibbon returned last Sunday from a ten days visit with his relatiyes at Oxford.

Montevallo has the making of a great city. It only needs some hustling to make it so.

J. C. Dill, of Fenton, Miss., spent his holidays in Montevallo, and subscribed for the NEWS.

A cotton factory will be able to supply electric light cheaply for street and house lighting.

Philip Noble, of Romulus, Tuscaloosa county, is again in Montevallo on business, but will return home next week.

Charles Acker, who is attending the medical college at Birmingham, spent the holidays in Montevallo with his father, Dr. Acker.

J. F. Robertson, of Charleston, S. C., one of the stockholders in the old Harrison Coal and Mining Co., spent last Monday in Montevallo.

M. C. Banks returned Monday from Cleveland, Tenn., where he had spent a week with his parents. He reports having had a good time.

G. D. Mitchell, formerly one of the NEWS printers, has returned to his wife in Blocton, where he has accepted a position as associate editor of the News-Herald.

Rev. John B. Simpson, Presiding Elder of the Tuscaloosa district, will preach next Sunday night at the Methodist church. On Monday at 10 A. M. the quarterly conference will be held.

Michael Wolowitz, the polite and esteemed young merchant who has for the past three months conducted the store opposite Vandegrift's, left Monday for Birmingham to attend business college.

The cold snap caused cut fingers as well as red noses. Last Saturday Prof. Carpenter of Aldrich sliced off the end of his thumb while whittling shavings, and next day Geo. Kroell, while similarly engaged, narrowly escaped amputating one of his fingers.

A. M. Cross, the well-known blacksmith of Montevallo, has removed from the old West shop to the old John Ingram shop, where he is able and ready to do all kinds of black smithing, horseshoeing, woodwork and repair work on wagons, buggies, etc., cheaper and better than any man in Alabama. See his ad elsewhere.

Dr. H. W. Harrison was in Montevallo last Monday on business. He states that in all probability the old Harrison Coal and Mining Co. will recommence operations in the near future.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Ernest West returned Sunday from a week's visit with his relatives in Columbiana. He says there were more "plain and aggravated drunks" in the county seat during Christmastide than he ever saw before.

It was indeed a handsome New Year's gift which one hundred of Montevallo's citizens received from Frank J. Kroell, manager of Kroell's livery, feed and sale stable, for—although but a card—it entitled each of its recipients to free 'bus transportation to and from the depot during 1898.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

The regular monthly meeting of the Shelby County Medical Society was held at Columbiana on Monday, January 3. Nearly every member was present. A uniform scale of fees for medical services was fixed, also the manner of their collection regulated and it was decided that blacklists of delinquent debtors should be compiled. The society agreed that an extra charge of fifty cents should be made hereafter for night visits The following officers were elected for 1898. President, Dr. E. C. Givhan, of Montevallo; Vice-President, Dr. H I. Williams of Columbiana; Secretary, Dr. J. R. Morgan, of Shelby Springs.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Postmaster F. F. Crowe has built a new chimney at the rear of his store and will in a few days put in a heater to accommodate those who go to him for mail, the best candies, toilet articles and perfumes, good cigars and stationary, also to have prescriptions carefully filled at reasonable prices.

DEATHS

Mary Claudia Bryan, aged 19, daughter of Mr. J. G. and Mrs. Sarah Florence Bryan, died January 7th, 1898.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

The school started the new year (January 2nd) with 75 scholars present, 173 absent. This small attendance was due to the absence of many A. P. I. students who were at home for the holidays.

Baptist Sunday School. Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

Sunday, January 2, 1898. Officers and teachers present 15, officers and teachers absent 14. Scholars present 52, absent 119. Collection, 65 cents.

Fine chinaware left from X'mas stock at reduced prices. F. F. Crowe & Co.

NEW ARRIVALS

The following named new pupils have entered the Institute since the holidays:

Francilla Haley, Jasper.
Nettie Reese, Tuscaloosa.
Pleasye Northington, Prattville.
Pattie Kennard, Livingston.
Nora Mitchell, Birmingham.
Wilna Carlton, Blocton.
Virgie Alston, Attalla.
Minnie C. Boswell, Postoak.
Lulan Meroney, Lewisburg.
Ella Roberts, Citronville.
Minnie Burke, Burke's Mill.
Sallie Milner, Elyton.
Pearl Brown, Uniontown.
Fenie Battle, Livingston.
Minnie Smith, Prattville.
Ethel Bartlet, Barfield.

About twenty-five more will probably arrive in the next two weeks.

MONTEVALLO SOCIETY.

Social circles in Montevallo were comparatively quiet during the holiday season. Nearly all entertained or visited friends; Prof. Simmons gave a delicious 'possum dinner.

The event of the week, however, was the colonial reception given by Mrs. Jas. Lacey McConaughy, on the evening of Tuesday, December 28. at her beautiful residence on Main street.

All the guests were attired in colonial costumes, some exceedingly rich and quaint. The men especially were handsomely garbed. Nearly every young lady represented some historic colonial characteramong them Miss Bertie Allen as Priscilla. Dancing, fortune-telling and various games made the evening seem all too short. One novel feature was the distribution of a number of cards, each bearing the name of a popular song, which the recipient had to illustrate. All were ludicrous, but Mr. Nat Nabors carried off the honor.

A recherche supper was served at 11 p. m. in the spacious dining room, and at midnight the charmed guests bade adieu to their charming hostess and stepped back into the prosaic end of the nineteenth century.

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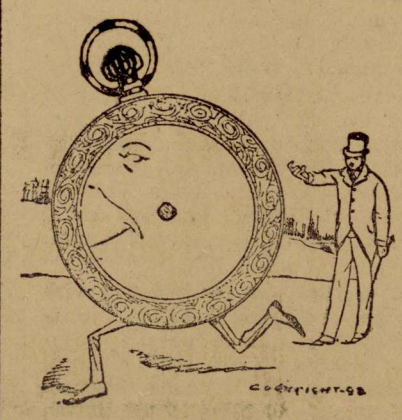

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Montevallo News.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

Now that so many brewers have been elevated the House of Lords, English wits are beginning to term that august body the "Beerage."

Bohemian "sportsmen" during the year 1895 shot and killed fifty men, women and children, and wounded 2104 persons, chiefly gamekeepers.

Recent attempts to introduce professional foot ball into Mexico have ended in failure. These unsophisticated foreigners will have nothing less refined than a bull fight.

One of the dry goods stores in Boston has substituted the cry "teller" for "cash," to the great delight of the local purists who seem to think it a choicer word for use in a cultured city.

A codfish four feet long has been caught on the New England coast. This does not, however, settle the mooted question whether codfish salt the ocean or the ocean salts the codfish.

More than 40,000 of the soldiers whom Spain has sent to Cuba are now in the hospital, and of the 192,000 sent to the island during Weyler's leadership only 89,000 are fit for duty. These are mere fragments from the history of the gloomiest military tragedy of the century.

A novel mountain railway has been built in Germany, the track of which consists of a single T-shaped rail, on which a car runs which is drawn up the incline by a captive balloon. The tests of this railway on a small scale have been successful, and now a larger railroad is being built to run up the Hochstauffen, near Bad Reichenhall, Bavaria.

Mayor Jones, of Toledo, Ohio, who was elected to office last spring by the people instead of the politicians, believes that all contract work in municipalities should be abolished, states the New York Independent, In one of the sessions of the recent Battle Creek Civic-Philanthropic Conference he brought out this point very clearly. For, said he, contractors' pay must come either out of the inferior work or out of inferior wages; and money thus spent on contracts or contractors goes not to the people but from the people. This is true, and its general acceptance will hasten the time when the city shall be in truth a "model employer."

Greater New York has a population almost as great as that of the whole United States at the time George Washington was first elected President. It has a population equal to that of the combined population of the following twelve States: California, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming, with the District of Columbia thrown in. Its population is nearly as great as that of swarming Holland, one-third greater than that of all Norway, twice as great as that of Cuba, equal to that of Chile, and greater than that of Switzerland, Greece, Denmark or Venezuela. It equals the combined population of half a dozen of the minor countries of Central and South America.

Among the strange contributions made by modern Syria to ecclesiastical peace in other lands the following deserves mention, thinks the Independent: In a certain church in Scotland the controversy over the use of fermented or unfermented wine at the communion service, reached a point where it was necessary to provide two tables and two sets of elements in order that the church might partake at the same time. The sight and practice was a grief to all, and a scandal to people outside. A committee was appointed to solve the difficult problem. Some one suggested that the church send to Syria and procure "the common wine of the country." This met with unanimous approval. And now for several years the undivided church celebrates each communion season, using a wine made about three miles away from Zahleh, in Mt. Lebanon.

GREAT SUFFERING IN CUBA.

A Conspiracy Against the Spanish Unearthed in Panar Del Rio.

CHEERING FOR THE UNITED STATES.

A Letter From an Insurgent Chief Says 150,000 Insurgents and Reconcentrados Have Died in Western Cuba and Santa Clara Provinces.

Havana, via Key West.—Details have been received from Spanish sources of a conspiracy against Spanish rule, said to have been discovered in the province of Pinar Del Rio. It is now stated that 1,500 men employed in the fields of Clay, Brock & Co., tobacco growers, and who had been disarmed, conspired to join the insurgents. Their leaders were imprisoned in Moro Castle.

Christmas night there were riots similar to those which occurred at Havana, Matanzas and other towns. The demonstrations were intended as a protest against autonomy.

At Matanzas the crowds cheered for the United States, President McKinley and annexation.

The majority of conservative mayors have been removed from the towns in the interior. They represent 75 per cent of the taxpayers.

A letter from an important insurgent chief says about 150,000 insurgents and reconcentrados have died in Western Cuba up to Santa Clara. He also expresses regret at the suffering endured by the insurgents in the field.

Dr. Delfin calls attention, in Dietro de la Marina, to the necessity of sending about fifty physicians into the interior of the island, provided with medicine chests and vaccine. This step, he says, is to save from death innumerable human beings who are dying of hunger and neglect.

Dr. Delfin adds that over 500,000 persons, mostly women and children, have died of famine in the fields. The reconcentrados are suffering from dysentery, smallpox, cholera, etc., which threaten extermination. Therefore, Dr. Delfin says, it is necessary to send medicines with food and physicians.

It is reported that an important engagement occurred last Monday in the Mulata mountains, province of Pinar del Rio, and that large numbers were killed on both sides. One prominent insurgent was captured and brought to Havana, where he was imprisoned in the communicado.

LOWERING THE WAGE SCHEDULE.

The Reduction Will Be General Throughout the East.

The action of the cotton manufacturers in New Bedford and Rhode Island in deciding to join the movement to lower the wage schedule in January, which was inaugurated by the big corporations of Fall River, makes the reduction practically a general one throughout the New England states. Cotton mills in Fall River, Lowell, Manchester, Salem, Suncock, N. H., and a number of smaller places have already posted notices of a reduction amounting to from 9 to 11 1-9 per cent. In New Bedford it is understood the cut down applies to the cloth mills only. As far as known the reduction in all the mill centers applies to treasurers, superintendents, overseers and clerks, as well as to the spinners and other operatives.

WILL LOOK AT THE CANAL.

Prominent Contractors on Their Way to Nicaragua.

Fourteen of the most prominent contractors in the United Siates will go to Nicaragua to inspect the survey of the proposed canal. If the work is deemed practical, these men will form a company and bid for the job. The party is under the direction of E. L. Cooley, chief engineer of the Chicago drainage canal. Most of the contractors were associated with Mr. Cooley in that immense undertaking. From the meager information in their possession Engineer Cooley estimates the maximum cost of the Nicaragua canal at $25,000,000. The army engineers say this is ridiculously small and predict an excess of $80,000,000. Others have variously estimated the cost of the project from $60,000,000 to $150,000,000.

REVOLUTION IN SALVADOR.

Gunboat Marietta Will Be Sent There as Soon as Possible.

Salvador is threatened with another revolution. To protect American interests the navy department, upon the request of the state department, has telepraphed orders to the gunboat Marietta, which is at Mare Island, directing her to proceed as soon as possible to La Libertad and remain until further orders. The Marietta is being fitted for service in Chinese waters.

The information upon which the state department acts comes from Consul Jenkins at San Salvador, who cabled: "The condition of affairs in Salvador is alarming; send warship."

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago, Ill., capital $1,000,000, to begin business.

Unknown persons dynamited the court house of Wilkes county, N. C., damaging the foundation and superstructure and wrecking every window.

Governor Charles A. Culberson, of Texas, has announced himself a candidate for the United States senate to succeed Roger Q. Mills, whose term will expire in 1899.

The American consul at Barcelona, Spain, is unable to keep the stars and stripes flying from Uncle Sam's vessels, owing to the bitter feeling of the Spaniards against the United States.

Pedro Escureo, who was minister of justice during the empire of Maximilian, and who was the author of the civil code and one of the most eminent of Mexico's jurists, died Friday at the age of 80.

Southern Express Agent P. H. Mabry, at Brunswick, Ga., has absconded with $14,000 of the company's funds, which a few days before had been shipped by Savannah bankers to Brunswick.

The action of the operatives conference committee of the Fall River, Mass., cotton mill employees indicates that no strike will be declared, a poll of the members showing 12 to 6 against it.

Jim Redd and Alex Johnson, the condemned murderers of W. F. Skipper, did not hang at Monticello, Ark., Friday as scheduled. The supreme court has issued a stay of execution pending an appeal.

Twelve business houses were destroyed by fire at Lebanon, Tenn., the past week. All the contents of the buildings, which were retail stores, were totally destroyed. The loss so far is estimated at $60,000.

Thomas B. Gresham, formerly of Macon, Ga., now of Baltimore, offers to donate $10,000 to build an annex to the Macon city hospital as a memorial to his father, the late Judge John G. Gresham, of Macon, who was one of Georgia's wealthiest and best known men.

The secretary of the treasury, with the approval of the president, has issued regulations under the act of congress, prohibiting the taking of seal skins by American citizens except on the Pribyloff islands and prohibiting the importation into this country of pelagic sealskins.

It is officially announced at Calcutta, India, that the recent famine cost the treasury 800,000 pounds, while loans to agriculturists and suspensions of taxes, mainly repayable, absorbed another 4,000,000 pounds, irrespective of charitable contributions, approaching 1,750,000 pounds.

One of the largest ore deals ever consummated in this or any other country has just been closed by James W. Miller, of Pittsburg, Pa., at London, England, with the Cardiff Iron Founders Company, limited. It is an order for 4,000,000 tons of 64 per cent Mesaba iron ore, representing more than $20,000,000.

CABINET NAMED BY BLANCO

Under the Regime of Autonomy for the Cubans.

It is asserted that the following have been accepted by Governor-General Blanco as members of the first Cuban colonial cabinet under the regime of autonomy:

President of the cabinet—Senor Jose Maria Galvez.

Minister of finance—Senor Rafael Montero, marquis of Montero.

Minister of the interior—Senor Antonio Govin.

Minister of education—Senor Francisco Zayas.

Minister of commerce—Senor Artuzo Amblard.

Minister of post and telegraphs—Senor Laurenno Rodriguez.

It is understood they will take the oath at the palace on Saturday next after attending the celebration of mass.

The under secretaries will then be nominated, together with the chief subordinates of the permanent staff.

General Fitzhugh Lee has asked the authorities at Washington for medicines, clothing and other assistance for the reconcentrados on the conditions agreed upon between Madrid and Washington.

Increase in Receipts.

The forthcoming weekly statement of the government receipts and expenditures will show a material increase in the receipts from both customs and internal revenues. The income from customs this month will probably exceed November by $3,000,000. The returns from internal revenue sources will probably reach an excess of $1,000,000 over November.

Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

At Selma the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian association elected T. S. McGill, of Louisville, Ky., general secretary. He is now assistant secretary of the Louisville association.

ALABAMA GLEANINGS.

Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Squire Joel Hardee, of Monroe county, fell dead at the dinner table.

Suicide at Greensboro.

David J. Castleman, one of the oldest residents of Greensboro, committed suicide Thursday night by shooting himself through the heart.

Burned to Death.

Mrs. Lizzie Wilson, an aged woman of Eufaula, was so seriously burned as to cause her death. Her clothing caught from an open fire.

Killed Himself Accidentally.

William Cade, a resident of Paducah, Ky., was found dead near the house of his son in Wilcox county. A gunshot wound was the cause of his death, supposed to have been accidental.

Crushed Between Cars.

While Car Inspector Henry Smith was working between two cars on the Southern railway, at Selma, one of the drawbars was broken, the switch engine backed on him, crushing him between the two cars. It is thought he is fatally injured.

Assignment at Montgomery.

The doors of the Builders' and Painters' Supply company, of Montgomery, one of the largest dealers in its line of goods in the state, were closed Monday. The liabilities and assets are not yet known.

Wants Its Capital Stock Reduced.

A petition has been filed in the probate court signed by sixty-five stockholders representing two-thirds of the capital stock of the South Anniston Land company, asking that the capital stock of the company be reduced from $1,000,000 to $75,000.

Repentance and Death.

A special from Guntersville says John L. Lovelace, a well known farmer, went to his home near Union Grove, after having been on a spree during the Christmas holidays, and, in a fit of repentance, seized a Colt's derringer and blew out his brains.

Big Day for the State Treasury.

The last day of the year was a big day in the state treasurer's office, there being certified into the treasury $113,000. Of this Judge Jones, as attorney of the Louisville & Nashville, paid to the credit of the counties through which the road runs $42,000.

Setting a Business-Like Example.

The farmers of Madison county are beginning to set a business-like example before the other counties of the state. Instead of running their large farms at a loss, as many have done, they are beginning to cut them up into forty, eighty and 100 acre tracts and to sell them to the thrifty farmers from the Northwest, who are settling in that part of the state.

Charter for New Railroad.

The Southern Railway company has filed an application for a charter at Jasper, Marion county, Tenn., asking to be allowed to extend its line through that county. This means that the Southern will build a direct line from Stevenson into Chattanooga, a distance of about sixty miles. Owing to the mountainous country the work will be quite expensive. The new road will pass through four different counties, which now have little or no railroad facilities.

To Change Alabama School Laws.

The committee on educational status of the State Educational association met in Birmingham and drafted a plan to secure needed changes in the state's laws, whereby the public school system can be improved and school funds be increased. It was decided that the committee draft an entirely new school law, and, after submission for approval and amendment to the next annual meeting of the association, present same to the next legislature for adoption.

Populist Convention Called.

The executive committee of the people's party met in Birmingham the past week and issued an address to the voters of Alabama, in which the keynote is, no compromise with the democrats, state or national.

The address charges the democrats with playing traitor to every pledge, and knifes Governor Johnston for his crusade against the dishonest county officers. It says that the democrats are untrue to the Chicago platform, the free silver plank of which was a snare to delude the people. It says that the democratic administration of the state has been untrue to the people in almost every particular, and with the ring of the old-time populist calls on all lovers of honest elections and honest administrations to come to the support of the people's party.

The populist convention will be held on the first Wednesday in May, 1898, and while it has not been definitely decided, Birmingham will likely be the place.

Disastrous Fire at Hayneville.

Hayneville was visited by one of the most disastrous fires in its history Thursday morning at 1 o'clock. It originated in the warehouse of W. T. Brightman & Co., and with a northeast wind the flames spread rapidly. The next building that caught was a livery stable of J. E. Miller. Fifteen horses and mules were burned. Efforts were made to save them without success. Next was the livery business of B. F McWhorter, who saved his vehicles and horses. The general mercantile establishments of Dr. W. P. Russell and Pritchett & Rudolph were also consumed, as well as the stock of D. Goldstein, who occupied a storehouse of Dr. W. P. Russell.

The loss is as follows: W. T. Brightman & Co., $200; J. E. Miller, $500; B. F. McWhorter, $200; W. P. Russell, $5,200; Pritchett & Rudolph, $1,700; J. C. Light, $300; Pritchett & Merriwether, $3,000; Joe Lloyd, $300. The insurance will cover about one-sixth of the loss. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

AN EXCELLENT RECORD.

Notes From Montevallo's and Alabama's Famous School for Girls.

About twenty-five new pupils have engaged scholarships in the Girl's Industrial school for entrance after the holidays. This will make the enrollment between 360 and 400. Over 300 of these are boarding pupils and come from various portions of the state.

About 250 pupils in the school spent the holidays at their homes and are now coming back, many of whom bring new girls with them.

Out of the class of last session who graduated in the school of typewriting and stenography, seven out of nine have nice paying positions.

Quite a number of Mrs. Hudson's pupils in telegraphy can receive and send messages nicely. This is the only school in the state connected with the outside world by telegraph. The day before the school closed for the holidays over forty messages were handled through the college office.

Miss Mamie Guy, one of the most proficient pupils in the school of dressmaking, has an offer from a house in Kentucky to take charge of their dressmaking department as soon as she obtains her diploma in this line.

The pupils in the dressmaking department made $130 clear in November and nearly a hundred dollars in December. This money goes direct to the pupils earning it. This is all done in connection with their other studies and does not in any way conflict with them.

One girl who graduated in typewriting and stenography last year now has a position that enables her to keep her younger sister in the school this year.

BREVITIES.

A cotton seed oil mill is to be built early in the spring at Lafayette.

The Reid Hardware Company of Montgomery has made an assignment.

A steamer line between Mobile and Portersville will be inaugurated soon.

The North Alabamian will be resuscitated at Tuscumbia by W. S. Keller, son of the late editor and publisher, Capt. A. H. Keller.

Farmer Seals, a conductor on the Selma division of the Southern railroad, had his arm cut off while coupling cars at York. He was dragged about twenty-five yards under the car.

F. F. Conway, editor of the Bridgeport News, received as a Christmas present an appointment as assistant doorkeeper of the house of representatives at Washington at a salary of $1,000 per year.

Friday morning Collector James Bingham announced the following appointments: James F. Files, of Townley, Walker county, storekeeper and gauger. John B. Hammond, of Attalla, Etowah county, Deputy Collector for the Montgomery District.

During the past few days revenue officers have made several big raids upon illicit distilleries. The biggest raid was reported from Round Mountain island, Limestone county, where an 80-gallon still and a quantity of material was destroyed on an island in the creek.

S. P. Locke, a prominent Memphis business man, lost his life near Jasper in a mysterious way. He secured a berth in a sleeper at Memphis and asked to be awakened at Jasper, and when the latter place was reached he was not on the train. Subsequently his remains were found on a trestle.

W. B. Witherspoon, editor of the Piedmont Inquirer and Alabama Cumberland Presbyterian, has perfected all his plans to move to Anniston, and will probably move by the 1st of January. Mr. Witherspoon will move the Alabama Cumberland Presbyterian there and will also issue a weekly to be known as the Anniston Inquirer. The Piedmont Inquirer will continue to be published at Piedmont.

CHAPTER IV.

Gerald Paxton, the detective, was a young and ambitious man. He had entered upon the profession in which we find him engaged several years previous to the occurrence of "the crime of a broker's office," as the murder of John Oakburn was designated, and he had labored with enthusiasm and met with several successes which had attracted attention to himself to such an extent that he was regarded as a rising man. But as yet he had not attained the eminence which his ambitien craved.

Paxton was ever on the alert to take advantage of circumstances, and when he left the broker's office after the investigation he believed that he had at last found a case that might open a great future for himself and enable him to win celebrity and eminence. He comprehended that in the case of John Oakburn's murder all the elements of supreme interest were united—magnitude of crime, mystery, uncertainty of issue, and difficulty of solution. In short, that it was just such a case as he longed to undertake, and he was filled with enthusiasm which aroused all his energies, and made him feel the keenest anxiety and hope.

He smiled as he thought how simple the police sergeant regarded the whole affair, and how readily he had jumped to a solution of the whole matter.

"Circumstances may still further implicate Stuart Harland, but I have embarked in the case with the assumption of his innocence, which I shall undertake to establish in the face of all the circumstantial evidence that may be brought against him, and I shall succeed," muttered Paxton, in a tone of conviction.

His faith was firm, his determination indomitable, and the possibility of failure he was never inclined to admit.

He had not concluded his investigation, although it was his policy to conceal this fact from the police sergeant.

After walking a block or so in company with the officer of the police and his companions, Paxton turned down a side street, made a detour, and, doubling on his own tracks, he returned to the broker's office.

Stealthily, as though he wished to conceal his presence from the two officers who were on guard in the office, Paxton entered the passage between the office and the adjoining building and proceeded to critically inspect the ground under the window in the rear compartment of the office.

The night was doubly dark in the narrow passage where the shadows are dense and black, and the detective was obliged to produce his pocket lantern, which was of the bull's-eye type, in order to inspect the ground in a satisfactory manner.

The result was a discovery.

The imprints of a man's feet were discovered in the ground beneath the window, where the earth was soft and yielding owing to a thaw.

The impressions were quite distinct, and the print of a double row of nails, which must have studded the sole of the boots or shoes which had made the tracks were quite clearly defined. Paxton also detected certain marks or abrasions of the paint on the side of the building under the window, which had undoubtedly been made by some one who had climbed up to it.

He caught the window-sill, and with a firm grasp drew himself up to the window, which he examined, making the further discovery that there were certain marks under the edge of the shutters.

"I was not in error. This window was opened from the outside and not from the inside, as our worthy police sergeant so positively affirmed. I see plainly where an iron bar was forced under the shutter to pry off the fastening. Yes, the assassin entered from the outside through the window," said Paxton to himself, in a satisfied tone.

He let himself down from the window again and having once more carefully inspected the track under it he procured a piece of board which chanced to be at hand, and covered them so as to preserve them from obliteration.

He understood the value of such mute evidences as these, and he never neglected any precaution which might eventuate to his advantage.

With the certitude of the truth of a positive theory which he had formed for a basis, he proceeded to erect a superstructure intended to sustain his hypothesis and convince others of its truth.

Revolving in his mind various conjectures and possibilities suggested by his discoveries, Paxton repaired to his own apartments.

Before retiring, however, he made from memory a very exact diagram of the premises where the murder had been committed.

If Stuart Harland was to be placed in peril of his life by reason of John Oakburn's murder, he had in Gerald Paxton a defender whose services would prove invaluable—one who feared not to enter the lists against any opponent.

The following morning the crime was made known to the public through the newspapers and there was much excitement on Wall street and throughout the city. The street in the immediate neighborhood of the broker's office was thronged with an eager and excited multitude, and morbid curiosity, to view the remains of the victim of the tragedy impelled many to seek an entrance. But the policemen on guard permitted no one to enter.

At nine o'clock a. m. the coroner, his clerk, a number of police officers, including the sergeant who had accused Stuart Harland, and Paxton, the detective, arrived, and entered the office.

Mr. Garrison and his clerks presented themselves soon after, and they were admitted, as were also a number of gentlemen from the assemblage without who were selected by the coroner to serve as a jury.

The usual preliminaries being concluded, and the jury duly sworn, the inquest proceeded as is usual in such cases.

The surgeon made a thorough examination of the wound which had occasioned John Oakburn's death, and extracted the bullet, which was found to be a large lead ball of a peculiar, conical shape, entirely unlike bullets intended for ordinary pistols.

The fatal missile was transferred from hand to hand and viewed with interest by all.

Paxton, the detective, particularly examined it minutely, and, after he had whispered to the coroner for a moment, he was permitted to retain possession of the singular, death-dealing ball. He carefully deposited it in his pocketbook, as though he regarded its preservation as a matter of the utmost importance.

"There is no possibility of suicide in this case, I presume," said the coroner, addressing the surgeon.

"No, sir. Suicide may be positively excluded. The position of the fatal wound, the direction taken by the bullet, and the nature of the indentations at the margin of the orifice where the ball entered, all serve to prove that the shot was not fired by the dead man himself. The wound clearly shows to a practiced observer that the bullet came from a distance of probably in the neighborhood of twenty feet," answered the surgeon.

Paxton paced the distance from the body of the murdered man, which lay where it had fallen, to the door leading to the hall.

"It is eighteen feet from the door to the body," said the detective.

"Indeed! Judging, then, from the position of the body and the relative location of the wound, I should say that he was shot by some one who stood at the door and who discharged his weapon while his victim's back was turned. The shot entered at the base of the skull," answered the surgeon.

"The impossibility of suicide may be regarded as positively established," he added.

The police sergeant was now sworn, and he related what discoveries had resulted from the investigation which he had made the preceding night, in company with Paxton.

He did not fail to dwell upon the circumstance of Stuart Harland's disappearance from the house, a few moments before the discovery of the crime, according to the statement of Judith Kredge.

To hear him one would have supposed that he had taken the lead in the investigation of the preceding night, and that he deserved all the credit for the discoveries then made; Paxton said nothing, however, but a sarcastic smile played upon his lips as he listened.

Mr. Garrison was next sworn, and he testified that John Oakburn was an exceedingly eccentric man, excessively frugal and economical. That he supposed in the course of the years he had been in his service, the old cashier must have accumulated a modest competency, though he was never known to speculate, and that Oakburn was always extremely reticent regarding his personal affairs.

The broker further stated that the aged cashier had a hobby for collecting ancient coins and weapons, which he kept in his little safe. Also that the deceased was a precise and a very methodical man in all he did, that he kept his correspondence and papers carefully filed away in his safe with his collection of ancient coins and weapons.

When Mr. Garrison's testimony was concluded the coroner summoned Marion Oakburn and Judith Kredge, and the two women entered the office a few moments subsequently.

Marion's face was lividly pale, and there was an expression of mental suffering and anxiety upon her features.

The coroner addressed the cashier's daughter, stating that he deemed it necessary to examine her father's private safe and Marion assented, saying in conclusion:

"I think you will find my father's safe-key on his person."

The pockets of the victim of the mysterious tragedy were accordingly searched, and the key, of which he was in quest, was found by the coroner, who forthwith opened John Oakburn's safe.

All present inspected the contents of the dead man's private "strong-box" with considerable curiosity.

It contained a large, and no doubt valuable, collection of ancient coins of all nations, arranged in admirable order and numbered and labeled with an exactitude which told of the owner's precise and methodical ways. There was also in the safe a collection of small weapons. There were pistols, poniards, stilettos, yataghans, Maylay creeses, and the like. Besides all this, y compartment contained the private papers of the deceased, letters, papers of business, bills receipted and other documents.

There was no money in the safe.

The coroner examined the papers and then submitted them to Marion, who also looked them over carefully.

Among all the documents no certificate of stocks, no deposit receipts, or anything whatever to indicate or prove that John Oakburn possessed any money or property was discovered.

Paxton was on the alert and nothing escaped him.

He made a mental memorandum of the contents of the murdered man's safe, and, when Marion had concluded the examination of the letters and papers it contained, he came to her side and said in a low tone:

"I am very much interested in this case, Miss Oakburn, and I mean to sustain my opinion that Stuart Harland is innocent, which you heard me assert last night. I know you share my opinion, and if you will permit me to look over these papers and letters you will perhaps enable me to make some advantageous discovery."

"You are at liberty to examine my father's papers, though I do not think you will find any clew to the assassin here. But I trust you may prove Mr. Harland's innocence, of which there can be no doubt," replied Marion, and she surrendered the letters and papers from the safe to the detective.

The documents were spread out upon a desk in the rear office and the coroner was examining one of Mr. Garrison's clerks in the outer office to which Marion, who seemed deeply interested in all the proceedings, now repaired, thus leaving Paxton alone.

He subjected the murdered man's papers to a most critical inspection. Letter after letter was examined with interest, and in an old file of correspondence the detective found one particular letter which seemed to fasten his attention, for he read it over twice very carefully.

Then, casting a glance at the door leading to the outer office to assure himself that he was not observed, he slipped this particular letter into his pocket.

"The end entirely justifies the means in this case; I desire to retain this letter, and yet I do not wish to call any one's attention to it as yet," he thought.

After he had examined every letter and paper he replaced them all in the safe, and then turned his attention to the collections of weapons for a moment. He discovered nothing further of interest, and so he entered the outer office.

Meanwhile Mr. Garrison's clerks confirmed the evidence by the broker, and Judith Kredge was examined. Her evidence differed not materially from the statement she had made the preceding night. Marion also related how she had discovered her father.

The detective heard Mr. Garrison whisper to Marion after she had given her evidence.

The broker said:

"Are you informed regarding your father's financial affairs? Do you know where the money he must have saved is deposited or how it is invested?"

"No, sir; my father seldom spoke of the matter. I supposed, though, that he had accumulated a modest fortune, for he used to say that he soon meant to retire from business and purchase a beautiful country residence where he could raise his own fruit and flowers. He was very fond of floriculture and horticulture. From remarks he let fall at different times, I was sure that all his fortune was locked up in his little safe," the cashier's daughter answered.

"This is strange. There is no money in the safe, and yet it has not been opened, I am sure your father had saved a large sum of money, as I have said. He was eccentric in other matters, may he not have been so in this? I think it possible he may have secreted his money in some strange place, his sudden demise preventing his revealing the secret," said Garrison.

"It may be so, sir, but if my father's money is never found I shall not want, for I recently received a legacy of three thousand dollars from a distant relative, and then, too, should it become necessary, I am willing to work for an honest livelihood."

"Bravely spoken, you are a noble girl," said Garrison warmly.

Just then Levi Kredge, the office janitor and the brother of Judith, entered the office.

He was an undersized, thick-set man and one leg was shorter than the other, which deformity caused him to walk with a limp. His features resembled his sister's. He had the same beetling brows and small yellow eyes. If anything, his face was even less attractive than his sister's. Levi Kredge was forty years of age and his character was almost the prototype of his sister, but he was yet more cunning than Judith, and he had a cringing, servile air which was all assumed. He could fawn and smile upon a person while at the same time it was in his heart to strangle him. In short, he was one of those treacherous scoundrels who are most dangerous because they are seldom suspected until it is too late. He had been in Mr. Garrison's service for a year, and he had come provided with most excellent recommendations from Messrs. Pratt & Weeks, his last employers, whose character was not at that time known to the broker.

Kredge, as far as Mr. Garrison knew, had always discharged his duty with fidelity, and he had never had occasion to take him to task on that score.

When the janitor entered, Mr. Garrison said:

"This man is employed as a janitor of this building. I notified him to be present although he probably knows nothing of this sad affair; however, I thought it might be well to question him."

The coroner directed that Kredge should be sworn, and after the oath was administered he questioned him, but nothing was elicited of any interest.

While Levi Kredge was being questioned the president of the bank at which the unfortunate cashier had received the money for the cheque of $78,000 entered the office, accompanied by a tall, handsome old gentleman with perfectly statuesque features, magnificent dark eyes, white hair and a beautiful flowing beard like driven snow.

The old gentleman was dressed with simple elegance, indicative of good taste and breeding, but a diamond of almost priceless value sparkled in his black neck-scarf, and he carried a heavy headed cane.

The stately old gentleman was an entire stranger to every one present, and, although he entered at the same time as the bank president, it was clear that they were not acquainted.

The banker addressed a few words to the coroner, and then the two retired to the interior office and closed the door, but a moment subsequently the latter reappeared and invited Paxton and the police sergeant to join him.

The detective and the officer of police entered the rear office, and when the door had been carefully closed behind them the coroner said:

"I desire that you should hear a surprising statement which Mr. Southwell has to make, but which would lose its value if it should be made public."

Paxton felt that some important disclosure relating to the crime was coming.

CHAPTER V.

"In order that you may understand how it came about that certain precautions were taken at our bank which may now prove of service to you, gentlemen, in the task of detecting the murderer of John Oakburn, and in recovering the stolen money, I must make a brief explanation," began the banker.

"The fact is," he continued, "we have had occasion to doubt the honesty of one of our employes—our cashier, in fact—and, night before last, I secretly marked all the money which I anticipated he could possibly have occasion to pay out yesterday. I marked one package of one hundred thousand dollars in notes of a large denomination with a minute letter v traced in red ink in the upper left-hand corner of the back of each note. The balance of the money was marked in a different way, which it is not necessary to explain. I chanced to be present in the bank when John Oakburn presented the check for seventy-eight thousand dollars and I saw our cashier pay it from the package of money marked with the letter v in red

He threw the balance remaining after he cashed the check into a compartment of the money drawer where I found it after business hours. Just twenty-two thousand dollars of the marked money remained, so I knew that the money paid to John Oakburn was all marked, as I have said, and that no one else received any of the notes thus marked."

"This is most fortunate," said the police sergeant as the banker concluded.

"The most lucky of coincidences. We are much obliged to your cashier for being the indirect cause of this clue," Paxton remarked.

Meanwhile when Paxton and the police sergeant were called into the interior compartment of the office by the coroner the handsome old gentleman whose appearance we have noted had quite by accident gained a position close to the door between the two apartments.

Without any intention of becoming an eavesdropper he overheard enough of the bank president's remarks to comprehend the truth, and at the same moment he saw Levi Kredge close beside him, and the expression on the janitor's face told him the fellow had also overheard the bank president.

The magnificent eyes of the handsome old gentleman were fixed upon the face of Levi Kredge for an instant in a searching glance, but the fellow was not aware of the scrutiny to which he was subjected.

A look of recognition appeared upon the old gentleman's face and his eyes flashed ominously as though the sight of the janitor awakened angry thoughts in his mind, and he moved toward the outer door while Levi Kredge was yet intently listening and did not observe his movement.

When presently the banker and the others came out of the rear office the stately old gentleman was gone.

During the interview between the gentlemen in the interior office the jurors and the others present had been conversing among themselves, and no one except the aged stranger and Levi Kredge heard aught of what had passed between them there.

When the strange old gentleman first entered the office Marion Oakburn seemed attracted irresistibly by his face, and she gazed at him like one fascinated, until he withdrew. Beyond one swift, passing glance as he came in, the aged stranger had not seemed to notice her.

A few moments after the departure of the magnificent old man, Levi Kredge also left the broker's office, and if anyone had followed him they would have seen him make his way swiftly to the private entrance of the office of Messrs. Pratt and Weeks, and enter unceremoniously, as though perfectly certain of his reception.

Before Paxton and the Coroner came out of the office in which they had heard the banker's statement, the detective took the latter aside and asked him to grant him the opportunity to give his version of the investigation which he had conducted the preceding night.

Immediately upon his return to the main office the Coroner called Paxton as the next witness.

The detective's statement, until he came to speak of the discovery of the broken fastenings on the window shutters, did not differ in substance from the testimony given by the police sergeant.

Thereafter, however, he continued:

"But, gentlemen, the fastenings of the window blinds were not broken from the inside. On the contrary they were forced by means of an iron bar inserted under the shutters from without and on the ground beneath the window are the tracks of the assassin. There are also marks on the side of the building which were made by his shoes when he clambered into the office through the rear window. It seems clear, therefore, that the assassin and thief could not have been a resident of this house, and I also assume that he had no positive knowledge of the money in the safe. I have made a careful study of this case and I have arrived at the following conclusion: When the assassin entered the office, John Oakburn was not in it. He came soon after. The assassin was in the outer office and he concealed himself beside the desk near the door. Oakburn did not discover the intruder, and opened the safe to assure himself that the large sum of money which he had placed there was secure. The assassin saw the money. The sight determined him. He meant to leap upon the old man then, but before he did so the latter locked the safe and turned away. At that moment, while his back was turned, the assassin leveled his pistol at the old man's head and discharged the fatal shot. But no one heard the report of a pistol. I explain that point by assuming that the weapon used was an air pistol, which is discharged without a detonation. After Oakburn fell the assassin secured the safe key, committed the robbery, and then let himself out through the street door. He selected that route for his departure because he knew there was less danger in it than by going through the window. He reasoned that even if he was seen leaving the house boldly, by the front entrance, he would not be questioned, while, on the other hand, if he chanced to be discovered getting out of the window he was lost.

"I am satisfied that it is erroneous to suspect Stuart Harland, and I regard the fact of his departure on the night of the crime rather as evidence in his favor than otherwise.

"Suppose any person of ordinary intelligence planned and executed the crime, he certainly would have comprehended that flight would be tantamount to a confession of guilt, and he would not for a moment think of taking such a suicidal course. On the contrary, his natural proceeding would have been to conceal the stolen money, and, putting a bold face on the matter, remain here as an innocent man.

"Who the assassin is, it is true, I cannot yet determine, but I shall solve the mystery, and sooner or later place my hand upon the right man."

Paxton had arisen, and as he spoke his intense, resonant voice, clear and penetrating, thrilled his hearers, and turned the jurors' opinion to a certain extent in Stuart Harland's favor.

If the verdict of the coroner's jury had been rendered then, it would have been that John Oakburn came to his death at the hands of some person or persons unknown.

But it was decreed that the inquest should not terminate then.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Many Gypsies Yet.

The majority of the Scottish gypsies have spread over a vast tract of country. Here they have gradually become lost to view as a distinctive race. In Europe, they are found in the greatest number to-day in Hungary and Wallachia, where there are 500,000.

High Handed Proceedings.

The steamer Albion arrived at San Diego, Cal., from a cruise down the coast and her passengers tell of a rather high handed proceeding at Clipperton island on the part of the Mexican gunboat El Democrata, being no less than the hauling down of the stars and stripes by an armed force sent for that purpose, and in spite of the protests of the men there employed and the raising of the Mexican flag.

Not Too Old For Romance.

A special from Versailles, Ky., says: The most romantic wedding in Versailles' history was solemnized Fridry, when J. B. Haggin, the New York multi-millionaire and turfman, led to the altar Miss Pearl Voorhis, of this city, niece of his former wife. Mr. Haggin is a white bearded veteran of 74, while his bride is only 28.

Governor Taylor, of Tennessee, issued a call Thursday for the assembling of the legislature in extra session January 17.

NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.

The Government Will Advertise for About 12,000,000,000.

The postoffice department has prepared advertisements which will soon be issued inviting proposals for furnishing adhesive postage stamps for the government for the four years beginning July 1 next. The issues advertised for include the ordinary stamps, news and periodical stamps, postage due stamps and those for special delivery. The number required per year approximate 3,000,000,000.

Island Seized by the French.

The admiral of the French fleet in Chinese waters has located the French flag on Hai Nan island. The Chinese offered no opposition. Hai Nan island is off the coast south of China and separates the Gulf of Tonquin from the China sea. It has an estimated area of 12,000 square miles and a population of a million Chinese, exclusive of the wild tribes in the interior.

It is stated that the Marquis of Hertford will succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as governor-general of Canada.

At Port au Prince, Hayti, Thursday night, a fire which assumed considerable proportions on account of lack of water to supply the pumps, broke out and destroyed 800 houses, including a number of warehouses, a hotel, the Church of St. Joseph and its parsonage. About 3,000 people were rendered homeless.

The Merchants' and Traders' bank of Brunswick, Ga., has failed. A majority of the stockholders are solvent and the depositors will be paid off in full if the court expenses do not consume all the cash realized.

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STATE OF ALABAMA,
Shelby County.

Probate Court, Regular Term, December 13th, 1897.

Estate of Sarah E. Wells, deceased.

The estate of said deceased having this day been declared insolvent by said Court, it is ordered that the 17th day of January, 1898, be appointed a day for H. R. Wells, administrator of said estate, to appear and make settlement of his accounts, preparatory to turning over the property of said decedent, which now remains unadministered, to whomsoever shall succeed to the further administration thereof; at which time all persons in interest can appear and contest the correctness of said accounts and the allowance thereof, if they think proper.

D. R. MCMILLAN,
Judge of Probate.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell s, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O, was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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A SAD BEREAVEMENT.

SUDDEN DEATH OF LOVELY AND ACCOMPLISHED MISS MARY CLAUDIA BRYAN.

On Friday, January 7th, the Angel of Death passed through the home of J. G. Bryan and left desolate and grief-stricken hearts to mourn his visit, for with him had flown the spirit of Mr. Bryan's lovely and accomplished daughter, Mary Claudia.

The deceased lady was born in Butler county, Ala., on June 25th, 1878, and was educated at Loachapoka and Birmingham. In her childhood she evinced great musical talent, which her parents fostered until she became an exceptionally skilful performer on the piano, violin and guitar. List Spring she taught music at Corona and joined her parents at Montevallo last Summer.

Shortly before Christmas she became ill with intermittent fever, but was convalescent when she suddenly expired from heart failure.

She was a devout christian, having been a member of the Christian church since her thirteenth year.

Beautiful in face and form, she was still more lovely in soul, and of her it can truly be said that she was an angel upon earth. She was to have been married this Spring, but God deemed it better to take her to join the virgin throng who sing before his throne.

The funeral took place last Saturday morning from the late home of the deceased. The handsome casket, upon which lay florale tributes from friends, was borne in a hearse to the Methodist church, where the burial services were held. Revs. P. L. Abernathy and M. P Reynolds paid touching tributes to the dead. Mrs. Cothran, Misses Mag Thomas and Carrie Lum and Mr. C. W. Cary sang hymns of consolation accompanied on the organ by Mrs. C. W Cary.

The remains were followed by many friends to the old Montevallo cemetery, where they were interred. Messrs. C. W. Cary, A. S. Carruthers, Thos. Sessions, Edgar Allen, R. F. Fleming and Louis Bowden acted as pall-bearers.

A Card of Thanks.

To the people of Montevallo who, in our hour of dire affliction and sore bereavement, evinced such rare and spontaneous sympathy we tender our heartfelt thanks.

JAS. G. BRYAN.
Mrs. SARAH F. BRYAN.

A NEW RAILROAD

FROM GADSDEN TO GURNEE, VIA MONTEVALLO, WILL BE BUILT.

The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company will shortly commence work on the extension of the mineral railroad now connecting Gadsden with Calera. The road will be extended to Gurnee and it is the intent of the railroad company to run it through Dogwood (the Montevallo Lump Coal Mines), Montevallo, Aldrich, and thence by the Sulphur Spring route near the McCloskey place to Gurnee.

The road will develop from eight to ten miles of the finest hard coal land in the United States, which is the principal motive actuating the L. & N. R. R., for that great railroad system has not a pound of hard grate coal accessible to its lines except in one part of Kentucky.

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Congratulating H. C. Reynolds.

The following letter speaks volumes in itself;

NEW YORK, January 4, 1898.

Mr. H. C. Reynolds, Montevallo Normal School, Montevallo, Ala.

Dear Sir.—I have been informed of the wonderful progress made by you in the organization of your industrial school for young ladies in the State of Alabama.

Since I left the Southern Railway I have often thought of you and wondered what progress you were making. The reports which I have received within the last few days show me that you have met with unprecedented success, and I congratulate you and your friends on the wonderful work which you are doing.

I have especial pride and pleasure in feeling that the Southern Railway Company gave you its moral and cordial support at the critical time when you began your great undertaking, and it is my sincere wish that you will have the continued support of the railroad and the public, and later, of Congress.

With best wishes for this New Year, and with a further expression of sincere sympathy with you in your work, I remain,

Yours very truly,
W. H. BALDWIN, JR.,
President Long Island R. R. Co.

ALDRICH.

Will Wells, aged 18, and Joe Boline, aged 19, two weeks since started out to see the world and carve their names on the dome of the temple of Fame. They had a little money to buy crackers and cheese, and a revolver to kil Indians. Last Wednesday they returned in side-door sleepers, very hungry and extremely disenchanted. Hereafter they will make their mark in the coal mine.

Girls who like good candy can get it at F. F. Crowe & Co.

ALABAMA COTTON MILLS.

The editor of the Eufaula Times is, if not a bloated bondholder, a stockholder at least in the Eufaula cotton mills, and he casually mentions the payment of another 4 per cent. dividend by these mills. It came to him in the shape of a fluttering piece of paper, to use his own words, in which the officers of the mills beg a certain bank to pay to the aforesaid editor a certain sum of money, being dividend No. 17. There is no mention of a depression in the cotton trade, of cuts in the wages of operatives, or of a gloomy outlook generally speaking.

The dividend really means that the mills have been in operation seventeen half years, and only once in that time have they failed to divide each six months a dividend of 4 per cent. among the stockholders. At the one exceptionable time there was a dividend of 3 per cent. In eight years and a half the mills have returned to the stockholders 67 per cent., besides accumulating a very comfortable sum for renewals or extensions.

"Eufaula's industries," says the Times, "pay, and Eufaula people are hopeful and bright." It believes that a year of great promise is before the State, and it slyly says in conclusion that a few dividends now and then greatly promote the good feeling now prevailing.—Age Herald.

Four Mile.

A teacher's institute will be held at Four Mile on February 11th and 12th. A splendid program has been prepared, and all interested in education are invited to attend.

Plain girls will look beautiful if adorned with the ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

A Runaway Match.

Last Sunday, where the Elyton and Ashby roads meet, the lives of Osceola Burke and Miss Raleigh Nabors met and merged into one Burke, who is an industrious, useful citizen, had long been engaged to Miss Nabors, but her parents did not wish her to marry and threw obstacles in the way of the lovers.

"Love laughs at locksmiths" and obdurate parents. The fair lady let her sweetheart know last week that on Sunday she would be at the the house of friends. Saturday he procured a marriage license, and asked Squire Jas Ozley to meet him at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning at the forks of the Elyton and Ashby roads.

Bright and early Sunday morning the squire was at the place appointed, but it was 10:30 a. m. when the lovers arrived. In a few moments they were united and left for Saginaw, Ala., where the groom is employed.

The News wishes them a long, happy and useful life.

Fair as a poet's dream, beautiful as the girls of Montevallo, and gorgeous as a dying sunset are the myriad hued ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

Men Boarders Preferred.

Choice apartments, with good board, at reasonable prices at the elegant home of Mrs. C. C. Vandegrift. Gentlemen boarders preferred.

Some men are mean enough to allow a newspaper to advertise their town and yet refuse to advertise their goods in its columns because they hope that the advertisements of their competitors will attract into town customers whom they may be able to induce into their stores by sidewalk solicitation.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

MAPLEVILLE.

The M & O. railroad is progressing finely. About three miles of track have been laid and three hundred cars of steel have been unloaded.

Crumpton Graham has returned from the Black Belt and Tuscaloosa, ostensibly from a business trip in the interest of McKabe and Steen, but some report that there was more on that popular young gentleman's mind than business.

Charlie Massey has been visiting Mapleville quite often since a certain young lady's return home.

Miss Annie Woodruff, one of Gadsden's most charming daughters, has for the past few days been visiting her cousins, the Misses Abney.

Messrs. Bagley & Graham spent Sunday evening with the Misses Abney.

Ensley Cooper is in society again. Ensley is very popular with the girls. He is also very regularly at prayer meeting.

Reuben Bearden has accepted a position with W. D. Lawrence.

Waller is doing his best to bring about a wedding in town.

UNCLE TIGE.

Fine chinaware left from X'mas stock at reduced prices. F F. Crowe & Co.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Rev. J D Martin delivered quite an able and influential sermon at the Baptist church Saturday, and another good one Sunday.

Quarterly meeting was held at the M. E. church Tuesday and Wednesday. Large attendance both days.

Miss Mattie Allen, who is one of Highland's most charming and accomplished young ladies, is visiting relatives and friends in and around town.

Miss Leila Farrington, of Brierfield, is visiting relatives and friends near this place.

Pat Harrison goes up the road toward Maylene, but we can't learn where he goes.

It's no fake that the Dogwood girls are having an exquisite time riding around with a Minor minister.

All are cordially invited to attend a sociable at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Lucas, Thursday night.

If you want a good location for a dairy call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

Subscribers to the NEWS can get it and the Weekly Atlanta Constitution for one year for $1.50, as advertised on page 8 of this issue. Read that offer, then send or bring your subscription to the office of the NEWS.

Miss Maggie Alford, one of the sweetest and prettiest pupils at the Institute, was last week called to her home at Dothan, Ala., because of sickness in her family. While here she made many devoted school friends, who hope that she may soon be able to return.

If you want a desirable building lot or a cheap home, call on or write to the Shelby County Bank.

"Just think, we've got 98 more school days," remarked one Institute pupil to another after Sunday-school last Sunday.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

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PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

General Yamaji, who has just died in Japan, was known as "the one-eyed demon." He was a type of the old Oriental warrior, fierce, cruel, vengeful, fearless, and only happy in battle. He did not hold an independent command in the late war, having been attached to the army of Field Marshal Count Oyama, but he had charge of the assaulting columns at Port Arthur, where he added to his old reputation for courage. General Yamaji was a hater of foreign innovations and was in the most intense degree a reactionist. Few like him are left in Japan.

A unique utilization of railway car vibrations is reported from a packing house centre in Kansas. The roadbed of the local trolley line is not of the best, and it occurred to a milkman who had been pretty well banged about by the lively oscillation of the car on which he was riding that there was enough power going to waste to work a set of capacious churns. He tried the experiment and found that it worked to a charm. Now the owners of cows in the vicinity of packing houses in the city set their churns on the front end of a car. One round trip is almost more than enough to do the work, and the motorman takes buttermilk in payment for the mechanical agitation imparted to the cream. This is probably the first time that the motions of railway cars have been turned to any useful purpose. Their ill effects are well known to physicians. A serious case of paralysis of the lower limbs was recently developed in a brakeman as the result of the constant jolting and the incessant swaying and jarring motion of the cars on which his duties lay. He had to go to a hospital, where he remained for some months. Finally his physician resorted to electricity in sundry forms —from a battery and induction coil and an electrostatic machine. The electrical massage toned up the limbs and proved an actual specific for the ailment produced by the mechanical vibrations on the train, and the man has gone back to work.

The Chicago Tribune calls attention to the fact that "one of the noteworthy conditions affecting industrial enterprises in the States of Pennsylvania, Indiana and Ohio is the alarming decrease in the supply of natural gas in those States. For several years past the greater part of the natural gas used in this country has come from the States above named, and at one time the supply was thought to be inexhaustible. The error of this supposition, however, may be clearly shown by comparing the total output of natural gas to these States for the past year with the total output for preceding years. In 1896 the value of all the natural gas produced in Pennsylvania aggregated only $5,528,610 against the enormous valuation of $19,282,375 put upon the product of 1888. Ohio has never been such a prolific generator of natural gas as Pennsylvania, but the figures for the Buckeye State show a corresponding diminution. In 1889 Ohio produced $5,215,669 worth of natural gas, whereas at the present time her total output is valued at only $1,172,400. Of the States producing natural gas Indiana is the youngest. Only a few years have elapsed since the resources of the State in this direction were first discovered, but the total valuation of Indiana's yearly supply of natural gas has gradually diminished from $5,718,000 in 1893 to only $5,043,635 in 1896. As the Indiana gas fields are much younger than those of Pennsylvania and Ohio, it is likely that they will continue to yield a liberal supply of gas for some time to come. Of course it is difficult to judge of what is underneath the earth's crust, but, from superficial indications, the natural gas industry in the United States is doomed to ultimate extinction. This is furthermore shown by the figures for the entire country. In 1888 the value of all the natural gas in the United States aggregated $22,620,875, whereas in 1896 it aggregated only $13,002,512. Evidently, from these figures, the natural gas industry in the United States will soon be relegated to the past, unless other sources of supply are discovered."

A CRISIS IS APPROACHING.

Strong Probability That Spain May Seek Uncle Sam's Aid

TO BRING ABOUT A REIGN OF PEACE IN CUBA

The Madrid Government is Considering a Formal Offer of the United States to Stop the Revolution in the Unhappy Queen of the Antilles.

A special to the Chicago Tribune from Washington says:

Spain is considering a formal request to the United States to use its good offices to stop the fighting in Cuba.

Intimations have been received at the state department that the Sagasta government had become convinced that the only way to save Cuba was to accept the often-proffered good offices of the United States. Canovas repeatedly replied to President Cleveland declining these good offices, and Sagasta did the same last November. Now the prime minister has become completely disheartened over the evident failure of autonomy.

All efforts of Spain to bribe the subordinates of Gomez to surrender on the basis of home rule has proven futile. Blanco has completely failed in his efforts to open up communication with the insurgents, and Pando has likewise been defeated in the field. Spain now feels that the only thing left is to accept the good offices of Uncle Sam, in spite of the humiliation involved. They hesitate only because they feel that a public announcement of this fact would result in a revolution in Spain.

Secret negotiations with the state department now are actually in progress. The Spanish government has lost the confidence of the loyalists in Cuba, and it recognizes the fact that the island itself is lost entirely unless this country will, at this late day, negotiate with the insurgents for some basis of peace. The Spanish purpose that the United States should propose to the insurgents an actual armistice pending negotiations for peace on the basis of American guarantees of the integrity of home rule, or even of independence on a money consideration.

While no such formal proposition has been made by Minister DeLome, the state department has been given to understand that only the fear of revolution in Spain stands in the way now of accepting the friendly offices of the United States, which have been rejected so often.

ABSOLUTE FREEDOM.

"The Cuban People Will Admit of No Other Solution," Says Gomez.

The New York Herald Thursday prints the following letter from General Maximo Gomez, Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban army, dated:

"In the Field, Dec. 26. 1897

"You ask me for my opinion regarding what effect the autonomous regime about to be implanted by Spain in Cuba might have toward the pacification of the island? The Cubans in arms do not propose to give up, and shall never yield, in their struggle with the metropolis until they have established their absolute independence.

"No matter what number of liberties are granted to Cuba by the Spanish government, even in case Spain should reserve for herself no other right than to keep the Spanish flag over Cuba as a symbol of nominal sovereignty, she will not succeed in ending the war.

"The Cuban people will admit of no other solution of the present conflict than whereby Cuba shall be recognized as a member of the sisterhood of free nations."

Work on the Appropriation Bill.

Representative Boutelle, chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, has begun work on the naval appropriation bill. The important questions of new ships and armor plate will not be considered for some time, the purpose being to settle first all the regular items for carrying on the naval establishment and then take up the more serious questions.

WILL DETERMINE SEX.

Remarkable Discovery Claimed to Have Been Made.

According to the Vienna correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle, Dr. Schenck, professor at the University of Vienna and president of the Embryological institute, claims that after twenty years of experiments he has discovered the secret of exercising an influence over animals and men so as to fix the sex of their offsprings.

Dr. Schenck declines to reveal it until he has placed his discovery before the Academy of Science, but he says the influence depends upon the nature of the food consumed by the female.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

Mrs. Adeline Fassett, an artist of national prominence, dropped dead at Washington.

Dr. R. L. Dabney died at Austin, Tex. He was assistant secretary of agriculture under Mr. Cleveland.

William T. Buckley, a prominent New York business man, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

An eclipse of the moon will take place January 27, beginning about dark and lasting about one hour and thirty-six minutes.

Charles Page Bryan will be made minister to Turkey in place of Dr. James B. Angell, of Michigan, who will be sent to China.

The hearing of the Alabama contested election case of Crowe vs. Underwood, committee No. 1, has been postponed from Jan. 7 to Jan 14.

It is reported in London that negotiations for a Chinese loan of £16,000,000, guaranteed by the British government, are practically concluded.

The steamer Vigilancia, which arrived Thursday from Havana, brought 1,800 bags, 594,000 pounds, of sugar, the first shipment from Cuba in many months.

A terrible explosion occurred on the Cincinnati Southern road Wednesday, causing the death of Thomas Lennehan, engineer, and Fireman Denham.

At Tracy City, Tenn., John Hall, a special deputy in the internal revenue service, was attacked by E. D. Swan, who cut him so severely that death soon resulted.

The news from the sick room of Hon. Ben Butterworth, who was reported to be dying at Thomasville, Ga., is decidedly more hopeful, and it is now believed he will recover.

About 1,100 postoffices throughout the country were assigned to the money order class on January 3. This makes approximately 25,000 postoffices at which money orders may now be obtained or cashed.

Representatives of a Canadian and American company, who visited Labrador for the purpose of erecting sawmills, report that that country contains deposits of gold of great richness, and is destined to become a great mining country.

Ignatius Donnelly, the "Sage of Nininger," is to be married in about six weeks to Miss Marian Hansen, the pretty stenographer in the office of Mr. Donnelly's newspaper. The great populist leader and Baconian is now 66 years old. His prospective bride is only 20.

It is believed the long distance telephone record was broken Thursday at Gallatin, Tenn., when John H. Cross, representative of the Bell Company, talked with the operator at Norfolk, Va. The circuit used passed through Nashville, Evansville, Terre Haute, Indianapolis, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Washington and Richmond to Norfolk, making fully 1,500 miles.

Lone Star State's Progress.

Texas made great progress during the year just ended. It is estimated the state gained 150,000 in population. The state is now well covered with farms and ranches, there being little good land left not under fence. The products of fields, ranches, factories and mines during 1897 foot up $300,000,000. The greatest advance has been in agriculture and cattle. Railroad and factory building has been slow—less, if anything, than usual. The oil production around Corsicana proves that the state will soon be reckoned as equalling some of the middle states.

Teller Wants Silver.

Senator Teller, has introduced a concurrent resolution declaring the bonds of the United States to be payable in silver dollars and asserting that "to restore their coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."

Exterminated His Family.

At Greenville, Tenn., Capt. A. W. Carter, while temporarily insane, brained his wife with an axe and then with the same weapon inflicted wounds upon his daughter which caused her death. After committing this deed, Captain Carter, with a pistol, shot himself. It is stated that his mind became unbalanced about three years ago, caused by the death of a daughter.

Deadlock in Maryland.

A split in the ranks of the republican members of the Maryland house of delegates, which developed at a caucus, caused a deadlock, and the house was compelled to adjourn for the day without having organized. There seems to be no immediate prospect of a settlement of the difficulty.

Combination of Tobacco Growers.

At Tampa, Fla., the larger producers of cigar leaf tobacco in South Florida are about to combine and attempt to secure a better market for their product. The suggested method of obtaining relief is to make up the product in cigars in sufficient quantities to thoroughly test the country.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Appropriations for the Civil Service Commission Taken Up.

The House—Wednesday.

There was a very large attendance in the hall of representatives when the house reconvened to-day after the holiday recess. The galleries were crowded. Without any preliminary business, the house went into committee of the whole to resume consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. All the features of the bill had been disposed of except the appropriation for the civil service commission, upon which, by previous arrangement, there was to be an indefinite general debate.... It was proposed that Mr. Moody, republican, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Dockery, democrat, of Missouri, control the time for and against. In the debate that followed Dockery, Pearson and Landis attacked the service, while Mr. Greene, populist, closed debate with speech in favor of reform. At 4:55 p. m., the house adjourned.

The Senate.

There was only a small attendance in the senate to-day. Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, spoke on the immigration bill and declared in favor of consular inspection of immigrants. Mr. Carter called up the bill to provide for the taking of the next census, and argued against making the appointments through the civil service commission .... A letter from Secretary Sherman on the civil service question was read, and Mr. Cockrell said it was a most remarkable document, being a request upon congress for legislative action, which was in the power of his chief by executive order. Mr. Sherman recommends the exemption of the heads of bureau and the chief clerk of the state department from the operation of the law.... Mr. Teller, of Colorado, spoke at some length in support of the idea that the census bureau should not be a partisan bureau, and that its employes should, therefore, be placed in the classified service.... A lively civil service debate was precipitated just at the close of the session, in which Messrs. Carter, Cockerell, Allison, Cullom, Allen and Jones, of Arkansas, took part.... At 1 p. m. the senate went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house today promptly resumed the debate on the civil service question, and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, took the floor with an elaborate speech in opposition to the law. In opening, Mr. Grosvenor disclaimed any leadership of the anti-civil service reform and civil service reform forces, and any purpose to speak for any officer of the government—executive, legislative or judicial. He then proceeded to pay his respects to the National Civil Service Reform League, and to Carl Schurz, its president. His excoriation of the latter was the most scathing that has been heard on the floor of the house in months. He denounced unsparingly those who sought to read out of the republican party those who believed in the repeal of the civil service law. He argued that the people were overwhelmingly opposed to the law. Mr. Johnson (republican), of Indiana, one of the ardent defenders of the law, followed Mr. Grosvenor with an extended argument in support of the merit question. The entire day was taken up in the civil service debate. At 4:50 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In the senate today Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, called up and the senate passed the bill providing for the holding of a congress of the representatives of different Indian tribes of the United States at Omaha in 1898, and appropriating $45,000 therefor. Some minor amendments to the bill were made.... A bill appropriating $175,000 for a public building at Fergus Falls, Minn., was passed.... The bill to protect the name and insignia of the Red Cross was passed. Mr. Gray, of Delaware, explained that Miss Clara Barton several years ago asked that the insignia of the Red Cross society be protected from those who would use it for commercial or perhaps fraudulent purposes. Under treaty entered into by a majority of the civilized nations of the world the sign of the Red Cross is known as an insignia of hospital corps or charitable organizations. Other nations had protected the insignia of the society, and the United States ought also to protect it.... After a brief executive session, during which some consuls were confirmed, the senate adjourned at 2 o'clock until tomorrow.

The House—Friday.

Before the debate on the civil service question was resumed in the house today, an ineffectual attempt was made to agree upon a time for the termination of the debate. Mr. Gillette, republican of Massachusetts, then took the floor in support of the law. Mr. Faris, republican of Indiana, followed Mr. Gillette and spoke against the civil service law. Mr. Cummings, democrat of New York, made a vigorous speech in favor of wiping out the civil service system, which he declared was doomed. He made a speech in defense of Tammany Hall and warmly defended it against its accusers. He maintained that the arguments of Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Landis against the law were both in reality strong arraignments of the spoils system. Mr. Burton, of Ohio, followed in defense of the merit system. He inveighed against the insolence of office seeker and argued that this was not a government for the reward of party workers. Mr. Kerr, republican of Ohio, favored the modification of the law. At the close of his speech the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today the reply of the attorney general to the senate resolution calling upon members of the cabinet what, if any, changes should be made in the administration of the civil service laws, was read. The attorney general recommended that attorneys employed by the department of justice and deputy United States marshals ought to be excepted from the operation of the law.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, offered a resolution declaring that the United States should independently and without delay begin and continue the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; that such coinage should be supplemented by a safe and sound national paper money to be issued by the government without intervention of banks, the notes to be full legal tender and to be issued in an amount sufficient to meet the business demands of the country. Mr. Allen spoke briefly in favor of the adoption of the propositions set forth in his resolutions. At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Teller arose. He said that he did not often give heed to publications concerning himself or the convictions of those who believed as he believed upon the financial or other questions, but he felt that a statement recently published was a gratuitous insult to those who believed upon the financial question as he believed. In brief, it charged that the recent reports to the effect that the secretary of the treasury had tendered his resignation were the result of a conspiracy to create trouble between the president and his secretary of treasury, and perhaps to disrupt the cabinet. Mr. Teller resented the charge with great emphasis. He also took occasion during the course of his remarks to denounce the republican party because it is the party of the gold standard, and that he hoped to see it go down in defeat in 1900.... Mr. Butler, of North Carolina, presented a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution, providing for the election of federal judiciary by the people. The resolution went to the table to permit Mr. Butler to make a speech on it.... The senate then went into executive session, and at 3:15 adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

The civil service debate was continued in the house today until 2 o'clock. Mr. Corliss, republican, of Maine, was the first speaker, who favored a radical modification of the law. He was followed by Messrs. Hepburn, of Iowa, and Clark, of New Hampshire, who also attacked the service. The remainder of the session, under a special order, was devoted to eulogizing the memory of the late Representative Wright, of Massachusetts. Saturday, January 15, was set aside for paying tribute to the late Representative Milliken, of Maine.

There was no session of the senate today.

Mysterious Crime at Memphis.

A tragedy occurred in the outskirts of Memphis, Tenn., Friday afternoon in which Dr. Shep A. Rogers, professor of anatomy at the Memphis Medical college, ex-president of the board of health, and one of the most prominent physicians of the city, was shot by Mrs. Mary Sandbrink, a widow, and lies in a dying condition at St. Joseph's hospital. After shooting Dr. Rogers the woman turned the revolver to her breast and sent a bullet through her heart. The cause of the tragedy is veiled in deep mystery.

South's Gold Production.

The product of the gold mines of North and South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama is assayed in Charlotte, N. C. The Charlotte assay office reports the production of gold this year at $247,237. The silver bullion assayed amounted to only $1,349.

Took Chloroform.

I. A. Campbell, a prominent and wealthy republican politician, committed suicide at Van Buren Ark., by taking chloroform. Alcoholism is given as the cause.

Gen. Booth Coming.

Six thousand peasons, most of them members of the Salvation Army, assembled in London in a demonstration of farewell to General William Booth, who is about to sail for the United States to assist in organizing great additions to the army.

Return of the Plague.

At Bombay, India, the plague returns for the past forty-eight hours record 142 new cases and 105 deaths. There is a general exodus of the population and a suspension of business is threatened.

Sin may be ugly but it understands the art of beauty culture.

HAPPENINGS IN ALABAMA.

The Week's News Gathered and Told in a Brief Way.

ALABAMA AT FLORIDA FISHERY CONGRESS.

The End af a Noted Will Case—Courtland a "Dry" Town—Many Negroes Duped by "African Charley"—Interest in the Good Roads Convention.

Alabama at the Fishery Congress.

It is the wish of Gov. Bloxham, of Florida, that as many of the citizens of Alabama as possibly can, will attend the National Fishery Congress to assemble at Tampa, Fla., on the 19th day of January, 1898. The array of learned and gifted men who will participate in the deliberations of this important industrial congress are seldom assembled in any state or country. It is hoped that the citizens of the southern states will appreciate the aims and objects of this congress and will avail themselves of the educational features which it will promulgate, and point to sources for the enrichment and happiness of the people.

Prominent men, delegated from distant California, Oregon, New England, the western states and foreign countries, will attend this congress.

It is earnestly desired that Alabama send exhibits of marine products to place in the exposition building, which will be a feature of this congress.

Will Contest Ended.

The will of Captain Duncan Dew of Eutaw, who died last October leaving an estate worth a quarter of a million dollars, has been admitted to probate, a compromise having been reached between Joe J. Dew, second cousin of the deceased and sole legatee, and fourteen first cousins in Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Mississippi and Texas, contestants.

By the terms of the compromise the contestants get $90,000 in cash, the three Alabama contestants receiving $8,000 each and the remainder to be divided between the other eleven, while valuable farm lands in Bibb, Wilcox, Tuskaloosa, Blount and Greene counties, Alabama, lots in Birmingham and five farms in Texas go to Joe Dew.

The contestants charged forgery of the dead man's name to the will, and the trial was about to begin when the compromise was effected.

Negroes Swindled.

The negroes in and around Ramsey, Sumter county, have been buncoed out of about $800 by one of their race who operated an African colonization sell. The perpetrator of the swindle has successfully worked other part of the state. He is an ordinary, medium-sized negro, known as "African Charley." His scheme was to collect $2 from each negro who wanted to go to Africa. For that sum "African Charley" would promise his dupe free transportation to the dark continent and land and a home on his arrival. About 400 negroes were swindled. All of the negroes were told to meet at Gainesville on January 1 where boats would carry them to Mobile and thence to Africa. "African Charley" has disappeared and no boats have been reported at Gainesville for the emigrants.

Courtland a "Dry" Town.

The saloons of Courtland, numbering three, have been closed since the beginning of the new year, and from every indication it seems that it will be a dry town. The ladies recently took the matter in hand and are determined that no whisky shall be sold there. It has been learned that it is impossible for the saloonists to secure signatures of a sufficient number of the freeholders to obtain a license, the majority of them having signed the petition for the ladies against the sale of liquor.

Interest in the Good Roads' Convention.

Much interest is being manifested throughout the southern states in the Good Roads Convention to be held in Anniston in February. Nearly every line of railway in Alabama has signified its willingness to give free transportation to delegates to the convention, and it promises to be one of the largest attended and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in that city or state.

Impeding Navigation.

The United States government has caused the indictment of a number of saw mill owners above Mobile for impeding navigation in the Alabama river with their logs and rafts. It is charged that navigation on the river has been rendered absolutely dangerous of late by the careless rafting of timbers, and District Attorney Wickersham says that he intends to prosecute the cases with vigor.

Will Pay the Teachers.

The public school teachers of the state will be paid for the quarter ending January 1 before the end of next week. The money is already in the treasury. Governor Johnston and Treasurer Ellis have pushed tax collectors into remitting their collections about a month earlier than for some years past.

Birmingham's Finances.

The following is the annual report of the city treasurer of Birmingham: Receipts, $244,331.12; disbursements, $247,380.75; balance from 1896, $33,331.61; appropriated for bond interest, $18,910; available cash on hand, $11,371.97.

To Cultivate Castor Beans.

A gentleman from Missouri has leased for a term of years 1,000 acres of land in Montgomery county and will experiment in the raising of castor beans. He proposes to sell his product in St. Louis.

A Minister Dead.

Rev. Mr. Kersh, a Methodist minister at Greensboro, died at the Normal College at Livingston Saturday.

Attempted Postoffice Robbery.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the safe in the Scottsboro postoffice the past week.

Damage Suits Filed.

At Birmingham Wednesday afternoon five suits, growing out of the Belle Ellen mine fire of September 15, last, were filed against the Bessemer Land and Improvement company for $15,000 each, making an aggregate of $75,000.

The Bank at Selma.

A new banking house, backed by local capitalists, has been opened at Selma. There is talk of organizing another national bank in the same city.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The city council of Florence has decided to build a city jail.

The president has appointed Chas. C. Crowe postmaster Marion.

Capt. J. L. Hinson, an old and influential citizen of Mt. Willing, died last week.

R. D. Hill, one of the most prominent citizens of Bibb county, died at Centreville last week.

Miss Dora, the daughter of William Strain, living near Columbiana, committed suicide, taking for that purpose "Rough on Rats."

It is stated on good authority that the Louisville & Nashville railroad will construct a branch line from Sheffield to Leighton, a distance of ten miles.

A deal is on for the reorganization of the Florence Wagon company, which went into the hands of a receiver several years ago. It is the purpose to put the plant in operation again.

At the meeting of the directors of the Cherry Cotton Mills at Florence, it was decided to introduce at once improved modern machinery amounting to $15,000. The directors also declared a dividend of 3 per cent quarterly.

The jury in the case of George Pritchard, the negro who murdered the negro editor and school teacher, Patterson, in the Columbus street Baptist church at Montgomery last July, brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree and assessed the penalty at life imprisonment.

Efforts to Unite the Forces.

An assembly of eighteen representatives of Methodist Episcopal churches of the United States is in session at Foundry Methodist Episcopal church, Washington, for the purpose of effecting a union of the forces between the two branches of the church. This assembly consists of three bishops, three ministers and three laymen from each branch of the church.

Vicksburg Park.

The military committee of the house returned to Washington from their recent trip to Vicksburg battlefield, and are favorably impressed with the value of this locality for a national military park, and have practically agreed that a favorable report will be made on the bill to this end.

Rumor Given Little Credence.

A special from Havana says: It has been rumored that Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, United States consul-general, will accompany Captain-General Blanco when the latter takes the field. It is further reported that Senor Estrada Palma, the delegate to the United States of the Cuban insurgents, will arrive here shortly and accompany the captain-general and General Lee to the field, and that a conference with Gen. Maximo Gomez will follow. The reports have caused a sensation in this city.

Texas Asked to Help Cuba.

Governor Culberson has received a telegram from New York from the central Cuban relief committee, appointed by President McKinley, asking for immediate assistance in the way of clothing, money, food, etc. In compliance with the request he promptly issued an appeal to the people of Texas, asking them to give the assistance asked for.

Samuel T. Blyer, representing a Chicago company, is in Atlanta making arrangements for building a $100,000 plant for manufacturing smoke-consuming furnaces.

EMINENT DIVINES' SERMONS

THE BOYHOOD OF JESUS IS THE JSUBECT OF DR. TALMAGE.

The Sixth of the New York Herald's Competition Sermons is on "The Power of Gentleness"—Rev. Dr. Talmage Discourses on Christ as a Village Lad.

TEXT: "Thy gentleness hath made me great."—Psalms, xviii., 35.

There is little in the popular idea of gentleness to make it desirable for God or man. We think of it as lacking in vigor and a long way removed from greatness. So suggestive is it of weakness and softness that we want very little to do with it.

Our ideas of gentleness need rectifying. We speak often of a gentle horse. What do we mean by it? That horse is gentle that is nervy and full of mettle, able to pass anything on the road, and yet so easily subdued that the voice of a little child would bring him to a standstill at once. That man is gentle who has the strength of a Hercules and the tenderness of a woman. Gentleness is power withholding itself and spending itself in goodness.

A good illustration of gentleness was that on a Spanish battle field. A gallant French soldier's sword was uplifted to strike his foe to the earth, but he saw as the sword was about to descend that his antagonist had but one farm. Instantly he stayed his sword, brought it to a salute and rode on.

Gentleness in a woman is love's mighty magnet, and will attract its own from the ends of the earth. A woman without it is a monstrosity, a warrior with it is greater far than he who shows his power by burning villages, destroying crops, executing prisoners. The great general at Appomattox, considering the interests of the men in gray, treating them as his countrymen, silencing the salute already under way to celebrate victory lest they should be further humiliated, and sending the defeated ones home well fed and equipped for labor on the farms, declaring himself a gentle man as well as a great soldier, and did more in that hour to make his country great than other great men have done in a lifetime. Grant could have crushed the South in that hour; instead, he caressed it as a mother her weak and wayward child, and melted it to tears.

We speak often of the power of God, but it is the gentleness of God that works the greatest wonders. It is this that makes men great. See the gentleness of God at the beginning. It is not the strong arm, but the tender heart, that concerns itself with fallen man. It is not a king's voice that we hear in Eden, but a father's. Pathetic cry that, "Adam, Adam, where art thou?" When God came down in human flesh to save a lost world He came in the same spirit. A still and quiet night it was when the Saviour was born. The stars looked down peacefully upon the shepherds as they watched their sheep. The world was wrapt in slumber. It was into this stillness and quiet that God's angels came and God's glory shone around. Gentle words those were the angel spoke—"Be not afraid." So sweet and gentle was the music of the angelic host that no one save the shepherds heard it.

The spirit of the Gospel is the same. It is summed up in the words: "A bruised reed will He not break; the smoking flax He will not quench." It is by gentleness that God seeks to win the world to righteousness and truth. "The Lord God is a sun." Sooner or later cold and icy hearts must give way before Him. We need more gentleness before the earth can become like heaven—gentleness on the part of parents. You can shout at your children and bring them into trembling submission; you can thrash them into obedience; you can starve them into submission. The strong can bring the weak to terms for a while by any of the methods. But if you want to show your child the sweet reasonableness of your position and to make him docile, obedient, trustful, sit down and talk gently with him and seek to make his heart your own.

We need more gentleness on the part of children—gentleness of speech, gentleness of manner. Children need to learn early how mean a thing it is to tyrannize over any one weaker than themselves. There is no one for whom a healthy boy has more contempt as he grows older than for a bully.

We need more gentleness on the part of teachers. It is by appealing to the best in a boy that the best is developed. Humiliate a boy, degrade him, ridicule him and you have not subdued him. Beam upon him gently and lovingly, apart and alone, and he will be your friend forever.

We need more gentleness on the part of preachers. "The servant of the Lord must not strive, but be gentle toward all men." The Great Preacher was so gentle that Simon the Pharisee asked him to dine with him; the poor harlot lingered near His feet caressingly; Zaccheus and Matthew, the publicans, became His loyal disciples, and even a thief, in the agony of crucifixion, cried, "Lord, remember me." The world needs nothing more than it needs gentleness and love. Human hearts are hungry for the music of gentle voices and the touch of tenderness. Why should we not all try to show that we are the sons and daughters of the gentle God?

Rough, rude boys have been made great for time and eternity by the sweetness and gentleness of mothers and sisters. Dull, wilful, petulent scholars have been made thoughtful and earnest by the tender patient love of self-denying teachers. Souls small, mean, selfish, sinful, have been made great by the gentle, faithful labors of those not willing that any should perish.

The night of life is coming on apace. It will be sweet to have the gates swing inward at our approach to the city eternal, and to be welcomed by some watching for our home coming, and to hear from joyful lips such words as these: "Thy gentleness hath made me great."

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CHRIST AS A VILLAGE LAD.

Dr. Talmage Discourses on the Boyhood of Jesus.

TEXT: "And the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom, and the face of God was upon Him."—Luke xi., 40.

Concerning what bounded the boyhood of Christ, the preacher said, we have whole libraries of books and whole galleries of canvas and sculpture, but pen and pencil and chisel have, with few exceptions, passed by Christ, the village lad. "Yet, by three conjointed evidences," he said, "I think we can come to as accurate an idea of what Christ was as a boy as of what Christ was as a man.

"First, we have the Bible account of His boyhood. Then we have the prolonged account of what Christ was at thirty years of age. We have besides an uninspired book that was for the first three or four centuries after Christ's appearance received by many as inspired, and which gives a prolonged account of Christ's boyhood.

"The so-called apocryphal Gospel, in which the boyhood of Christ is dwelt upon, I do not believe to be divinely inspired, and touching the fringe of Christ's coat? Is that more wonderful than the manhood miracles by which Christ reanimated the dead again and again without going where they were or even seeing them?

"From the naturalness, the simplicity, the freshness of His parables and similes and metaphors in manhood discourse I know that He had been a boy of the fields and had bathed in the streams and heard the nightingale's call, and broken through the flowery hedge and looked out of the embrasures of the fortress, and drank from the wells and chased the butterflies."

Dr. Talmage referred to Christ in the mechanic's shop, having been taught the carpenter's trade by His father, Joseph. "His hammer pounding, His saw vacillating, His axe descending and the perspiration from His work standing on His brow."

yet it may present facts worthy of consideration. Because it represents the boy Christ as performing miracles, some have overthrown that whole apocryphal book. But what right have you to say that Christ did not perform miracles at ten years of age, as well as at thirty? He was in boyhood as certainly as divine as in manhood. Then while a lad He must have had the power to work miracles, whether He did or not work them. When, having reached manhood, Christ turned water into wine, that was said to be the beginning of miracles. But that may mean that it was the beginning of that series of manhood miracles.

"In a word, I think that the New Testament is only a small transcript of what Jesus said and did. So we are at liberty to believe or reject those parts of the apocryphal Gospel which say that when the boy Christ with His mother passed a band of thieves, He told His mother that two of them, Dumachus and Titus by name, would be the two thieves who afterward would expire on crosses besides Him. Was that more wonderful than some of Christ's manhood prophecies? Or the inspired story that the boy Christ made a fountain spring from the roots of a sycamore tree so that His mother washed His coat in the stream—was that more unbelievable than the manhood miracle that changed common water into a marriage beverage? Or the uninspired story that two sick children were recovered by bathing in the water where Christ had washed. Was that more wonderful than the manhood miracle by which the woman, twelve years a complete invalid, should have been made?

Then said the preacher: "I show you a more marvelous scene—Christ, the smooth-browed lad, among the long-bearded, white-haired, high-foreheaded ecclesiastics of the Temple."

Following other events recorded in the apocrypha, the preacher asked if they were more wonderful than events recorded in the New Testament.

"If Christ were divine was He not able at ten or twelve years to describe the human system as well as though He had been fifty years standing at an operating table or in a dissecting room? In other words, while I do not believe that any part of the so-called apocryphal New Testament is inspired, I believe much of it is true, just as I believe a thousand books, none of which is divinely inspired."

"A child twelve years old, surrounded by septuagenarians, He asking His own questions and answering theirs. Let me introduce you to some of these ecclesiastics. This is the great Rabbin Simeon! This is the venerable Hillel! This is the famous Shammai! These are the sons of the distinguished Betirah. The first time in all their lives these religionists have found their match, and more than their match. Though so young, He knew all about that Temple under whose roof they held that most wonderful discussion of all history. He knew the meaning of every altar, of every sacrifice, of every golden candlestick, of every embroidered curtain, of every crumb of shrew bread, of every drop of oil in that sacred epifice. He knew all about God. He knew all about man. He knew all about heaven, for He came from it. He knew all about this world, for He made it. He knew all worlds, for they were only the sparkling morning dewdrops on the lawn in front of His heavenly palace.

"Put these seven Bible words in a wreath of emphasis: 'Both hearing them and asking them questions.' I am not so much interested in the questions they asked Him as in the questions He asked them. He asked the question not to get information from the doctors, for He knew it already, but to humble them by showing them the height and depth and length and breadth of their own ignorance. The radiant boy with any one of a hundred questions about theology, about philosophy, about astronomy, about time, about eternity, may have balked them, disconcerted them. Behold the boy Christ asking questions, and listen when your child asks questions. He has the right to ask them. The more he asks, the better. Alas for the stupidity of the child without inquisitiveness! It is Christ-like to ask questions. Answer them if you can. Do not say: 'I can't be bothered now.' It is your place to be bothered with questions. If you are not able to answer, surrender and confess your incapacity, as I have no doubt did Rabbis Simeon, and Hillel, and Shammai, and the sons of Betirah when that splendid boy, sitting or standing there, with a garment reaching from neek to ankle, and girdled at the waist, put them to their very wits' end. It is no disgrace to say 'I don't know.' The only being in the universe who never needs to say 'I don't know' is the Lord Almighty.

"But while I see the old theologians standing around the boy Christ, I am impressed as never before with the fact that what theology most wants is more of childish simplicity. Why should you and I perplex ourselves about the decrees of God? Mind your own business and God will take care of His. In the conduct of the universe I think He will somehow manage to get along without us. If you want to love and serve God, and be good and useful and get to heaven, I warrant that nothing which occurred eight hundred quintillion of years ago will hinder you a minute. It is not the decrees of God that do us any harm; it is our own decrees of sin and folly.

"You need not go any further back in history than about one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four years. Something occurred on that day under an eclipsed sun that sets us all forever free, if with our whole heart and life we accept the tremendous proffer. Do not let the Presbyterian Church, or the Methodist Church, or the Lutheran Church, or the Baptist Church, or any of the other evangelical churches spend any time in trying to fix up old creeds, all of them imperfect, as everything man does is imperfect. Our own denomination made itself absurd by trying to revise its creed made hundreds of years ago. You might as well try to revise your grandmother's love letters. I move a new creed for all the evangelical churches of Christendom, only three articles in the creed, and no need of any more.

"If I had all the consecrated people of all denominations of the earth on one great plain, and I had voice loud enough to put it to a vote, that creed of three articles would be adopted with a unanimous vote. This is the creed I propose for all Christendom:

"Article first—'God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'

"Article second—'This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, even the chief.'

"Article third—'Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive blessings and riches and honor and glory and power, world without end.'

"But you go to tinkering up your old creeds, and patching and splicing and interlining and annexing and subtracting and adding and explaining, and you will lose time and make yourself a target for earth and hell to shoot at. Let us have creeds not fashioned out of human ingenuities, but out of scriptural phraseology, and all the guns of bombardment blazing from all the port holes of infidelity and perdition will not in a thousand years knock off the church of God a splinter as big as a cambric needle. What is most needed now is that we gather all our theologies around the boy in the temple, the elaborations around the simplicities, and the profundities around the clarities, the octogenarian of scholastic research around the unwrinkled cheek of twelve-year juvenescence. 'Except you become as a little child you can in no wise enter the kingdom;' and except you become as a little child you cannot understand the Christian religion. The best thing that Rabbis Simeon and Hillel and Shammai and the sons of Betirah ever did was, in the temple, to bend over the lad who, first made ruddy of cheek by the breath of the Judean hills, and on his way to the mechanic's shop, where he was soon to be the support of his bereaved mother, stopped long enough to grapple with the venerable dialecticians of the Orient, 'both hearing them and asking them questions.' Some, referring to Christ, have exclaimed: Ecce deus! Behold the God. Others have exclaimed: Ecce Homo, Behold the man. But to-day, in conclusion of my subject, I cry: Ecce adolescence! Behold the boy."

Must Look Beyond the World.

A picture which has no sky in it is without the highest beauty. "It is the horizon that gives dignity to the foreground." A life without sky in it is most unworthy and incomplete. A man who sees only bonds and stocks and deeds, bales of goods and blocks of houses, stores and factories and machinery and chimney tops, with no gleams, above and beyond all these, of stars and blue skies and a Heavenly Father's face, is not living as an immortal being should live. There is no sky in his vision of life. This world is very beautiful in its place, and God means us to enjoy it and do faithful, earnest, and beautiful work in it; but it is only one little part of our Father's house. When in our thinking, planning and doing we do not look beyond this world, we are not living worthily. When we lose the sky out of our life-vision the glory fades from it. The only secret of spiritual safety and good in prosperous times is in keeping the eye fixed on heaven.—J. R. Miller, D. D., in "Every Day of Life."

Psalms of Gratitude.

A psalm which cultivates the spirit of gratitude is a psalm which we ought often to read. If we were more grateful both our joy and our strength would be increased. Gratitude is born in hearts which take the time to count up past mercies. If we cannot sing about them, we can at least think about them. Thinking about them is a means of grace. Meditating on God's dealings with us begets in us a spirit of humility. It leads us to magnify the pronoun "Thou," and cultivates a feeling of dependence and trustfulness which is a fountain of joy and strength.... Not only happy but strong is the man who, in the midst of prosperity, can look Godward and say, "Thou hast girded me."—C. F. Jefferson.

SHOULD TAKE HIGH RANK.

The University of Alabama as a Health Resort.

The members of the Alabama Corps of Cadets had their Christmas dinner on Thursday, before being furloughed for the holidays. They made away with 1,200 fresh oysters, fifteen large turkeys, and apples and oranges by the bushel.

The Mess Hall fare must be plentiful and wholesome, as the cadets seem to thrive on it. At the beginning of the session they were weighed by the director of the gymnasium. They were weighed again on the same scales, in the same costume during the last week. Five had neither gained nor lost in flesh. Nine had lost in the aggregate thirty-three pounds. The others had gained from one to twenty pounds. The average net gain for the corps was five and seven-tenths pounds per man. This is at the rate of twenty or twenty-five pounds per annum.

We understand moreover that there has not been a serious case of sickness since the session opened. Not a student has been sent to the hospital. From these facts it would seem that as a health resort the University should take high rank. But the best part of the terms work may be done in the several departments. It cannot be expressed by figures.—Tuscaloosa Times.

Hit, but Not Killed by a Cannon Ball.

A unique distinction belongs to Sir Robert Rawlinson, K. C. B.—that of being the only soldier who has been knocked out of the saddle by a cannon ball without being killed. The identical forty-two-pound shot is preserved by Lady Rawlinson as an interesting relic. At the Crimea Sir Robert was riding with a group of artillery officers, when he announced his intention of turning back. At this moment a shot from the Russian lines came whizzing along in front of him, cutting the reins and pommel of the saddle, and wedging a steel purse with terrific force against the rider's hip-bone.

Hale on Boston's Streets.

Edward Everett Hale said in a lecture on the old streets of Boston the other day; "An old Bostonian regards the straight, checker-board streets of other cities with a contempt which is not to be described, while the people of other cities claim that Boston was laid out by cows."

THE WEEKLY NEWS.

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The NEWS office has been removed to the Lyman brick building, where all are welcome at all hours.

The frozen people of the North should come to Montevallo, where butterflies are now winging their way about town.

Read the article on page 1 headed "Alabama Cotton Mills," and then try to help the NEWS to establish a cotton factory in Montevallo.

That Montevallo is the centre of trade is shown by the numerous people who come long distances to market their products and buy their supplies here.

It becomes every day more apparent that a great necessity exists for a telegraph office up-town. The present office is half-a-mile from the business centre. If the Western Union does not move its office to a central point, the Postal Telegraph Co. should be invited to run a line into Montevallo.

That the mineral railroad from Gadsden to Calera, a feeder of the L. & N. R. R., will be extended to Gurnee by way of Montevallo, is good news. Montevallo is one of the oldest towns in Alabama and if her natural resources are properly advertised and developed she will be the leading city of Alabama.

Since the Atlanta Constitution lost Ed. Barrett, it does not seem to know the difference between the radiating spokes of the Washington wheel and the streets in the northern part of that city which the parvenues wish dignified with the names of dead statesmen. The Atlanta Constitution should let its editor smell Frank L. Stanton's breath, and so gain a little of the divine afflatus, or engage a good Washington correspondent.

Why not hold the next free silver convention in Mexico? There would be fitness in the arrangement.—Montgomery Advertiser.

Speaking of the eternal fitness of things, how would it do to hold the next gold convention in the back yard of the Bank of England?—Russell Register.

We didn't know the Bank of England had a back yard. Must inquire about it.—Montgomery Advertiser.

The Bank of England has an enclosed back yard, but police guard it and would hardly allow a lot of goldbugs to enter unless they had better credentials than their mammon-marked faces. The Montgomery Advertiser should know more about the institution which takes a great part in what the Advertiser considers the laudable work of filching hundreds of millions from the American people and giving about one per cent of the loot to goldbug organs for trying to cover up the fraud.

If you want a good location for a poultry call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he has one of the best places in the country for it.

DIVERSIFICATION OF CROPS.

The Galveston News recently offered several handsome money prizes for the best articles enumerating what the tillers of the soil can plant and cultivate to the best advantage, and how the produce can be realized upon. A special committee has charge of the articles and will make the awards. In the meanwhile the News is printing many of them. Some of them are very lengthy, but Mr. A. K. Bradley, of Tioga, Tex, puts a deal of advice in a few words.

The basis, he says, of successful farming is live stock and poultry. Live stock should be of some standard breed, suitable to the surroundings, should be well fed, any surplus in them being always ready for the best market. While corn and wheat are great staples, there is the sweet potato, an absolutely certain crop. The possibilities of the sweet potato are immense. They can be on the farmer's table nine months in the year, and can be a part ration for his stock for a like length of time.

The farm should be fenced all around, and divided into fields. All fences should be hog-tight. Hogs and pigs should follow all crops, except cotton; nothing is then wasted. Sweet potatoes, cow peas, peanuts, sorghum and rye make the finest and cheapest pork. Never keep a hog or pig in a pen, it does not pay. A good garden is absolutely neces sary, so also is a good orchard.

Mr. Bradly goes on to say that the greatest cause of loss to the farmer is the annual, sometimes semi-annual crazes he is subject to. If cotton be low, he goes in for corn and hogs. If cotton go up, he unanimously decides there is more money in cotton than anything else, and the whole face of his state is covered with cotton next season. This is done over and over again.

Barring a few sentences that are amplifications of ideas, this is Mr. Bradly's advice to the farmers of Texas. It is good for the farmers of Texas—it is good for the farmers of Alabama.—Age-Herald.

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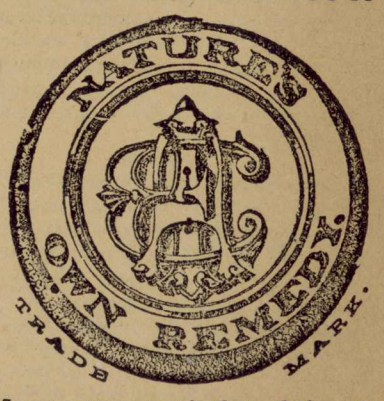

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H. C. Cider and B. Fulton came all the way from Six Mile last Monday to trade in Montevallo, and spent over $50 with Morgan Bros.

Kirk Sessions will soon start up his saw mill three miles southeast of Montevallo and says he will get married if business is good.

C. F. Graves has been confined to his home with a threatened attack of pneumonia, but is on the streets swapping yarns as usual.

Col. J. P. West, one of Shelby county's oldest citizens, and Dr. J. H. Gunn, both of Calera, were in Montevallo Tuesday "taking in the town," to use their own expression.

Jack Hays, a Southern railroad machinist, and his brother, Sam Hays, came up from Birmingham last Sunday to visit their bereaved friends, J. G. Bryan and family.

Dr. E. A. Wilson, Birmingham's most skillful dentist, will come to Montevallo on January 17th and remain several days. All needing dental work should call and see him.

Rev. J. E. Wilson, of Jonesboro, T. W. Smith, of Prattville, W. B. Mc Clung, of Lexington, Miss., and Mrs. Lillian Grace Pratt, of Aldrich, were visitors to Montevallo this week.

The NEWS moved to more comfortable quarters last week and the editors, printers and devil had a parrot and monkey time of it. As a result the paper falls short of local matter.

The minstrel show last night was witnessed by a large number of town folks, and was well entertained. Tonight (Friday) they give another performance, with change of program. Adults 15 cents, children 10.

Miss A. E. Kennedy, teacher of history and English, has received Halsey's historical chart, and her pupils find it a great aid in their studies.

The quarterly conference of the Methodist church of Montevallo district was held last Monday, Rev. J. D. Simpson, of Tuscaloosa, presiding. The financial condition of the church is good and the membership is steadily increasing.

W. M. Summers, of San Marcus, Texas, a member of the United States Fish Commission, and Mrs. W. Kneesmith, wife of the member of the Alabama legislature of that name, are visiting their sister, Mrs. A. Wall, at the St. George Hotel.

Frank Emory, an F. F. V. who has has spent his life in railroad contracting, has very sensibly realized the possibilities of this section of the country and has bought Shep Allen's place three miles northeast of Montevallo. He looks like a hustler and will have success.

B. F. Crabb, of Dadeville, Ala., has rented the store of C. C. Vandegrift for a period of two years, commencing March 10th. He will conduct a general merchandise and millinery business. The people of Montevallo will gladly welcome Mr. Crabb, for he has the reputation of being a hustler.

A. M. Cross, the well-known blacksmith of Montevallo, has removed from the old West shop to the old John Ingram shop, where he is able and ready to do all kinds of blacksmithing, horseshoeing, woodwork and repair work on wagons, buggies, etc., cheaper and better than any man in Alabama. See his ad elsewhere.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

Sunday, January 9, 1898. Officers and teachers present 14, absent 4. Scholars present, 123; absent, 60. Visitors, 2. Collection, 98c. Rev. M. P. Reynolds announced that the names of all teachers and scholars who attended twelve times during the present quarter will be published as a Roll of Honor in the Montevallo News of March 31, 1898.

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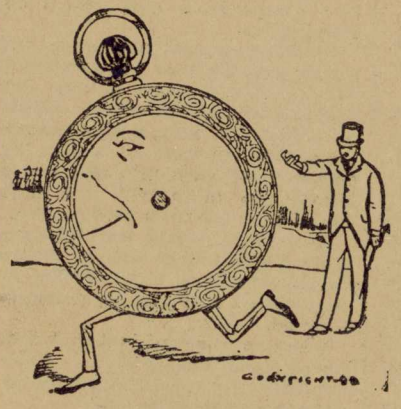

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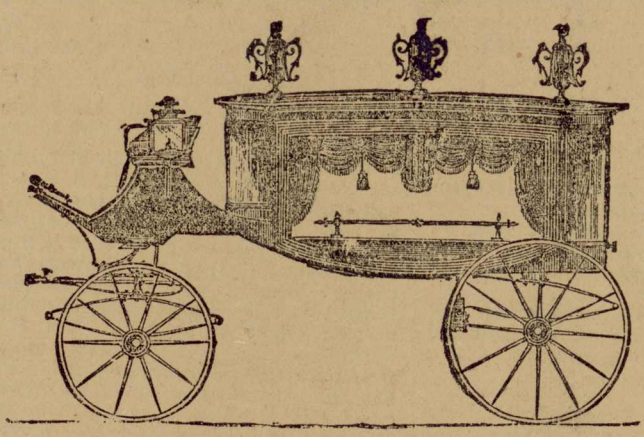

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CHAPTER V.—(Continued.)

A telegraph messenger entered as Paxton became seated, and placed a dispatch in the hands of the police sergeant.

Marion's face told that she feared the telegram contained some intelligence inimical to the interests of the young man of whose innocence she was positive.

Mr. Garrison shook the detective's hand warmly when he had taken his seat, and said:

"I thank you, sir, for what you have said in behalf of my young friend."

Meanwhile the police sergeant read his dispatch, and turning to the coroner he said in exultant tones:

"The dispatch, which has, by the way, been unaccountably delayed, informs me that Stuart Harland has been arrested. He should have been returned to the city by this time. He was captured on alighting from a railway train by officers to whom I caused a telegram to be sent."

"This is bad news. Since Mr. Harland was arrested on a railway train he must have been leaving the city. That circumstance may be made to tell against him. You are his friend, Mr. Garrison, and at the first opportunity you should warn him to make a complete explanation of his conduct," whispered the detective.

"I shall do so," the broker replied, but he secretly thought:

"And yet if the motive for his secret night journey was what I suspect it to be, I dare not ask Stuart to tell the truth. Weak, miserable, guilty man that I am, I find myself in a situation of the most trying character, and a denouement I dread may come at any moment."

Marion Oakburn touched the detective's arm, and he turned toward her as she whispered:

"Do you think Mr. Harland can be imprisoned on the strength of the evidence which has thus far been elicited?"

"The jury can hardly find against him yet, I think, but much will depend upon Mr. Harland himself. His explanation will govern the coroner's jury. However, he cannot be compelled to answer any question which may implicate himself," replied Paxton.

A moment subsequently there was a stir at the door.

A thrill of excitement and expectancy ran through the throng, and Marion Oakburn started to her feet, involuntarily.

Mr. Paxton and the broker also arose, as Stuart Harland was marched into the room between two officers.

The suspected man glanced about him fearlessly, and seeing Mr. Garrison and Marion, he bowed and smiled, and he also affably greeted his fellow clerks who were present.

Addressing the coroner, he said, calmly:

"I am informed that I am arrested on suspicion of having murdered my old friend, John Oakburn. Will you please inform me why I am accused of so heinous a crime?"

It was evident to all that Stuart Harland was in a state of intense mental excitement, and that he only restrained his indignation by a determined effort of will power.

"I regret to say, Mr. Harland, that the fact of your midnight departure coupled with certain curcumstances, such as your knowledge that there was a large sum of money in the safe and the like, has made it necessary that you should explain your conduct," answered the coroner impressively.

A moment of profound silence ensued while the people assembled in the broker's office awaited, consumed with curiosity and suspense, for all were most deeply interested to know what explanation or defense of his conduct the accused would offer.

Stuart Harland's eyes sought the face of Jason Garrison, and as the broker met his covert glance he trembled violently, and thought:

"I am not mistaken. He has discovered the truth. He knows what I have done."

From the banker Stuart glanced at Marion Oakburn.

Ever since the moment when the officers who had accomplished his arrest informed him, as they had done that John Oakburn had been murdered, Stuart Harland had been unable to rid his mind of the haunting memory of Marion Oakburn's face as he saw it when, livid with terror, she stealthily glided out of the office as he was leaving the house, ann now when he looked at her, Mariod trembled as with a chill of terror, and she would not meet his glance.

A fearful thought flashed through Stuart's mind, but he put it away from him as too terrible for serious consideration.

At this time, however, he was convinced in his mind that some dark and inscrutable mystery surrounded the secret of John Oakburn's murder, and he could not disabuse himself of the impression that Marion Oakburn was in some inexplicable way connected with it.

Stuart Harland was one of those noble spirits who ought to have lived in the days of chivalry and knight errantry. He had resolved not to make an explanation of his midnight departure, because to do so would be to betray the secret of another, which he had accidentally gained a knowledge of. He never thought of resorting to falsehood to exonerate himself.

He was not without a fear lest the course he had resolved upon would alienate the sympathies of his friends, but he felt in honor bound to adhere to it.

Paxton was somewhat of a physiognomist in his way, and he fixed his eyes on Stuart Harland's face and sought to read his character.

The detective's scrutiny was so intense that Harland felt his glance and finally looked at him. Then the former dropped his eyes, but he was favorably impressed and he mentally reflected:

"He has an honest face, and if I am not in error he is a man who would make almost any sacrifice for honor and friendship."

Meanwhile when Judith Kredge saw Stuart Harland a prisoner in the power of the officers of the law, her venemous eyes flashed with malicious triumph.

It was clearly apparent that she secretly hated the young man.

"You will take the oath and then we will listen to any statement you desire to make," said the coroner as Stuart did not reply to his last remark.

The young man was duly sworn and then the inquest proceeded and new and startling developments ensued.

CHAPTER VI.

"My explanation is most simple. I can only say that important business called me away suddenly, and I did not see fit to publish the fact of my intended departure. As for my having any connection with this crime, those who know me will not for a moment entertain such a thought. For the assurance of strangers, I might further protest my innocence, but it is unnecessary to do so. It is no secret that a firm friendship existed between myself and John Oakburn,' said Stuart Harland, at last.

His frank and fearless manner troubled the police sergeant who had caused his arrest, and he hitched about in his chair nervously, while he tried to devise some trap which might lead Harland to criminate himself.

He thought of the old "confrontation ruse," as the detectives term it, and suddenly arising he said to Stuart:

"Look here, sir!"

The young man promptly stepped to the side of the police sergeant, who then turned to the body of the murdered man and suddenly uncovered his face.

If the police sergeant anticipated that Stuart would recoil and manifest all the terror of guilt at the sight of the dead face of John Oakburn, he was greatly disappointed.

Such was not the result.

Stuart gazed sadly upon the ghastly features of the old cashier, and not the faintest evidence, such as the police sergeant hoped to elicit, was discernible in his manner.

"This is a foul crime. The murderer must be discovered. Poor John Oakburn must be avenged!" said Stuart, earnestly.

His voice and manner were so naturally sincere that those who heard him were impressed.

Even the Coroner's voice sounded more kindly as he proceeded to question Stuart, when it was quite evident to all that the police sergeant's ancient test had utterly failed.

"At what time did you leave the house last night, Mr. Harland?" was the first question propounded by the Coroner.

"It was not quite one o'clock. I had set my alarm-clock to ring at one precisely, and without removing my clothing, I fell asleep. I was awakened by some loud noise, though what it was I cannot tell. Springing up, I glanced at the clock, and I saw it was exactly twenty minutes of one o'clock. I left the house in a few minutes."

"Ah! he confesses he was in the house at the time of the murder. He does not know about the clock that was overturned here, and that the time of the assassination has been positively determined," whispered the police sergeant, turning to Paxton.

"Wait until the examination is concluded—restrain your exultation until then," retorted the detective.

"Why did you leave suddenly last night, as you did?" the Coroner then asked.

"I have told you that I was called away by important business; I was on my way to see a friend of mine."

"But you have not told us what the nature of your business was."

"It was a strictly private matter. It had no reference to this unfortunate affair."

"Perhaps so. But you can at least tell us your friend's name?"

Stuart hesitated for a moment, and then he said:

"His name is James Sanborn."

At the mention of that name, Mr. Garrison gave a violent start and he thought:

"There is no longer a shadow of a doubt. Stuart knows all, but he means to shield me. It is because I am Edna's father. For my daughter's sake, he will imperil himself rather than reveal the truth. He is a noble fellow. How unworthy I am of such friendship as his!"

"Then you decline to give us a plain, straightforward explanation of your conduct. I warn you, Mr. Harland, that your own interest demands that you should conceal nothing," said the Coroner.

"I can say no more; another than myself is concerned," replied Stuart.

"Very well, sir; Mr. Sanborn, the gentleman with whom you say you had business, shall be questioned."

Stuart bit his lips. Mr. Garrison turned white as death, and the Coroner smiled at his victim's discomfiture as he said blandly:

"You had not thought of that, I see."

Stuart's eyes blazed with wide-spread ught, but he restrained the angry retort hat arose to his lips and remained silent.

The Coroner questioned Stuart further, but nothing worthy of note was elicited.

Stuart adhered determinedly to the policy which he had adopted, and he could not be induced to reveal what the motive of the midnight journey was.

Paxton regarded the course of the suspected man as absolutely suicidal.

"He is endangering his life," he said to Mr. Garrison.

The broker groaned.

He knew now that if he advised Stuart Harland to tell the whole truth, he would advise his own exposure. He could not make that sacrifice, for his was not the noble, heroic character which the Creator had given Stuart Harland.

The agitation and excitement of the broker had awakened a vague suspicion in the mind of the dectective that perhaps the former knew more than he would have dared to confess about the business which had called Stuart Harland away on the night of the murder.

Paxton's mind was filled with surmises and conjectures, but the wildest of them all fell far short of the startling truth which future developments were destined to reveal.

Jason Garrison knew that his daughter's life was bound up with that of the man who was imperiling himself for his sake, and as he reflected that if Stuart was sacrificed Edna would not survive the blow, his torture was inexpressible.

Marion Oakburn had listened to Stuart Harland's examination with the deepest interest, and as she comprehended that the suspicion against him seemed destined to bring him into deadly peril, although they had heretofore been but passing acquaintances, she felt that the strands of their lives which led into the unexplored future had been woven together by a mystic fatality without the knowledge of either.

The cashier's daughter was not a fatalist; but she could not think that the singular combination of events which had recently transpired had come about by mere chance.

"In view of all the circumstances of this case, I order that Stuart Harland be searched.

"Officer Smith, you will attend to this matter," said the coroner, addressing the police sergeant.

A hot flush mantled Stuart Harland's face.

"What! Am I to be subjected to this indignity, as though I were a common thief!" he exclaimed.

"Justice is no respecter of persons. In quest of truth, she seeks for information everywhere. If need be, she enters the sacred precincts of the cloister. No man is exempt from her search," answered the coroner, impressively.

"So be it then. Let this farce continue to the end," and he bowed his head.

The officer named came forward and proceeded to search him.

He first examined Stuart's overcoat pockets, and Stuart assisted him, saying confidently:

"You will find nothing to reward you."

"We shall see," answered Police Sergeant Smith, gruffly.

Presently, the officer thrust his hand into the inside pocket of the young man's overcoat and drew out a number of wax impressions of locks and skeleton keys.

He held them up to the sight of all, exclaiming:

"I thought so. Here is the proof we were in search of!"

Stuart Harland staggered like one suddenly seized with an overwhelming vertigo.

"This is fate! I had forgotten about the cast; I am lost!" he exclaimed, scarcely knowing what he said.

This last startling discovery produced a profound sensation and the greatest excitement.

Mr. Garrison was like one stunned by a heavy blow.

Marion Oakburn, with her hands clasped upon her heart, and an agonized look in her eyes, cowered in her chair.

Paxon was absolutely amazed.

Had a thunderbolt descended at his feet the detective could not have been more disconcerted.

Here it seemed was the positive evidence of the guilt of the man for whose innocence he had vouched in the strongest terms.

The detective's prophesied opinion seemed to be proven worthless before all the assemblage, and he felt abashed, humiliated and defeated.

The police sergeant was exultant.

"Who was right, friend Paxton?" he said jeeringly. "What has become of all your fine theory of this man's innocence? I grant you it was stupid for him to run away as he did after committing the crime, but his conduct was not without precedent. The great Vidocq used to explain the stupidity of certain crimes committed by men of superior intelligence, by saying that they act under the influence of a kind of vertigo. That they become dazed after the crimes."

"Quite true, I recollect the theory, but mark my words your suspicion is all wrong despite its apparent confirmation. The mystery of John Oakburn's fate is still as far from being solved as ever," said Paxton in reply, but he could not avoid betraying some of the discomfiture which the last denouement had occasioned him.

Stuart Harland regained his composure to some extent in a moment or so, and he muttered:

"This is destiny. The immutable law of bad luck is not to be abrogated. It follows me throughout this entire unfortunate affair."

Aloud he said:

"I believe that I can convince you that I was entirely ignorant that the articles just discovered were in my possession."

"One moment, sir, and we will hear you," answered the coroner, and taking the skeleton keys from the police sergeant he tried one of them in the safe. The key entered the lock, but it would not move the bolt. The other keys were made for the door locks, and turning to the office door he tried one of them, finding that it fitted the lock perfectly. He tried the other key in the lock of the street door and found that it also was a perfect fit. That the door could be locked and unlocked by means of it with ease.

The coroner then examined the wax impressions and found that they had been taken from the locks of the street door, the office door and the safe.

"Ah," said the coroner, reflectively, 'the intricate mechanism of the safe lock resisted the skeleton key, and so it was necessary that the robber should have the key John Oakburn carried."

"But what need had Stuart Harland of a skeleton key to the front door?" ventured Paxton, suggestively.

The coroner shook his head doubtfully, and turning to Stuart again he noted that there was a marked decadence in his manner from the confident air he had worn when he entered the office.

"You may proceed with your statement now," the official said.

"Thank you, sir, I will tell you how it is that those criminating keys and the impressions of the locks must have come into my possession without my knowledge," said Stuart. He paused for an instant as though to collect his thoughts.

At last the young man fully comprehended the terrible nature of the accusation which had been brought against him and realized the deadly peril of his situation.

He began to speak again, when suddenly there was another commotion at the door and a loud voice was heard to call out:

"Here is new evidence to throw light on the mystery of the murder!"

A hope arose in Stuart's heart that something had been discovered to prove his innocence. At the same time there was in his mind a dread lest some new circumstance was to be brought against him.

There was a moment of suspense.

CHAPTER VII.

A man pushed his way into the office and every eye was fixed upon this last arrival.

Previous to placing before the reader the evidence which this personage gave, or recording Stuart Harland's explanation as to how the skeleton keys and wax impressions came in his possession, we will relate certain adventures which befell Harland after he left his room on the night of the murder.

Stuart reached the depot and boarded the train which he desired to catch just as it was moving out of the station.

He saw several persons on the platform whom he knew, and he exchanged greetings with them.

In the coach which he entered he recognized no familiar face, but the train had not gone far when he had struck up acquaintance, as people sometimes will on a railway train, though inclined to be exclusive elsewhere.

A young gentleman who seemed inclined to make himself agreeable found an opportunity to open a conversation with Stuart, and the two young men were eventually favorably impressed.

They were soon chatting familiarly.

Finally, at the request of the stranger, Stuart accompanied him to the smoking-car, where, as it chanced as the coach was overheated, they both removed their overcoats.

Excellent cigars were produced by Stuart's new acquaintance, who, by the way, represented himself to be a Bostonian and a scion of a wealthy family whose name was familiar to commercial men.

For some time the new acquaintances smoked and chatted pleasantly, but as the night drew on their conversation gradually flagged, and both seemed inclined to nap.

It was not long before silence fell between them, and soon Stuart's heavy, regular breathing assured his companion that he was sleeping soundly.

The young man did not awake until the loud voice of the brakeman smote upon his ears as he shouted:

"Albany!"

This was Harlan's destination, and he sprang to his feet just as the train began to move.

As he hurried on his overcoat he glanced about for his recent companion, but he was gone, and then Stuart discovered that it was not his own but his late companion's coat which he was donning.

But his own coat was gone, and surmising that his new acquaintance must have taken it through a very ordinary mistake, which there was no opportunity to rectify just now, Stuart buttoned up the coat which was left to him by this exchange of garments, and concerning himself no more with the matter he leaped from the train just in time.

Meanwhile, Stuart Harland's recently made acquaintance had not slept at all, though for a time, until he was sure of the former's somnolency, he had feigned to do so.

When he was confident that the oblivion of sleep held Stuart's senses enthralled the young stranger coolly arose and appropriated his coat.

There were but few other persons in the coach, and they were all sound asleep.

Deliberately the young man who had secured it donned Stuart's overcoat, and then removing his hat he threw it out of the wineow. From his pocket he produced a skull-cap, which he drew down over his eyes, and he turned the collar of Stuart's overcoat up about his ears.

The garment was a long ulster, such as was then the prevailing style, and it reached to the stranger's heels, completely concealing his under suit.

The moment the train slowed up at Albany, the stranger leaped upon the platform, and turned to hurry away.

Two police officers were standing on the watch at the depot landing, and they advanced toward the young man as he alighted from the train.

One of the officers flashed the light of his lantern in the face of Stuart Harland's late companion, and as the young man saw the uniform of the policeman, which the light disclosed, he trembled as with a fearful chill, and turned pale, as though with fright.

"He ain't our man, Tom," said one policeman, as he scanned the young stranger's face by the light of his lantern.

"No, he don't tally with the descrip.," assented the other police officer.

The stranger seemed about to sink upon the platform as the police officer seized him, but now, as the two minions of the law turned away, he recovered himself, and strode rapidly from the depot.

The moment he was out of the policemen's sight he broke into a run.

"I thought I was lost. I could have sworn they meant to arrest me," he muttered.

"Well, I have secured a partial disguise, at all events, and if the human wolves I fear mean to play a double game and betray me I yet have a chance to baffle them," he added.

On through the streets of Albany he fled, choosing thoroughfares that were imperfectly illuminated, until he paused at a street corner where the tents of Judah are pitched.

Producing a card on which certain directions were written, he consulted it by the light of a street lamp and muttered:

"This is the street, and yonder is the number. We shall see what our worthy son of Abraham will do for us."

With this monologue he turned down a side street where old clothes merchants and pawnbrokers abounded, where "Isaacs," and "Levis," and "Solomons," and "Goldsmiths," and "Jacobs," and "Rosenthals," and other historic names ornamented the signs.

It was here that during business hours barter and trade were carried on very much as in the marts of ancient Jerusalem, by sharp-eyed men whom nature had gifted with the genius of trade.

Late as was the hour, and although all the stores were closed, the man we are following gained admission to a certain shop where the familiar sign of the pawnbroker, the three balls, hung before the door as a warning to the wayfarer who ventured that way in quest of some good Samaritan to heal his financial wounds, that the chances were as two to one if he entered therein he would come forth shorn.

But the stranger accomplished the purpose for which he had visited the establishment, for in half an hour he emerged from it clad in a manner which created a complete metamorphosis in his appearance.

He had procured an artistically fitting wig and beard, and it was evident that he relied implicitly on the impenetrability of his disguise, for he no longer slunk along the gloomy, retired streets, but walked boldly where the light was brilliant.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

THIS Judge Botkin of Kansas seems to be a picturesque and interesting person, but fate has been unkind to him. He ought to be in Congress.

SWEEPING CHANGES

Made by the Republicans' Bill to Reform the Civil Service Law.

The bill for the reform of the civil service law, which has been drafted by a special committee of republican members of the house of representatives opposed to the system in its present form, makes sweeping changes in the present system, the most important of which is the establishment of a five years' tenure of office for those government employes who are brought within the terms of the bill. The measure limits the application of the civil service system to the departments in Washington and to such other localities where the total number of employes exceed twenty-five. All appointees are commissioned for five years, with the power of removal clearly regulated and vested in the appointing power. It is provided, however, that no removal shall be made for political or religious causes aud in case of removal the causes shall be specified and the papers made a record of the office. All persons now in the public service are to terminate their service five years from the time that the act takes effect.

The measure recognizes the general eligibility of those persons for re-appointment. It includes in the civil service postal clerks and letter carriers in office having over ten employes, exclusive of subordinates. It limits the civil service regulations to clerks whose compensation is from $900 to $1,800 per annum and includes clerks, copyists, computers, and counters.

It is pointed out that the essential idea of the foregoing bill is to take out of the civil service all responsible and important offices, limiting it only to clerks in Washington and certain large cities and in these cases fixing a tenure of office of five years.

Theodore Durrant Hanged.

At San Quentin, Cal., Friday Theodore Durrant was executed in the state penitentiary. He ascended the scaffold calmly, following Father Lagan, who administered to his spiritual wants, he having been baptized into the Catholic faith earlier in the day. He made a brief speech in quiet tones, asserting his innocence and forgiving those who had persecuted him, mentioning especially the press of San Francisco. His last words were: "I am innocent." His death appeared painless. After the drop Durrant did not struggle. In fifteen minutes he was cut down, his neck being broken by the fall.

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School Roof Playgrounds.

Land is so valuable in New York that space cannot be afforded for school yards, and it is proposed to have playgrounds on the roofs, which will be enclosed by a high railing.

Appearance Was Deceptive.

He was a sanctimonious-looking man, clad in a severely cut suit of somber black. He even called for black coffee when he quietly took his seat at the counter in the light lunch cafe near Tenth and Chestnut streets, on Saturday night.

It seemed strange to the other customers of the place that so religious a man as he appeared to be should be drinking black coffee at midnight, says the Philadelphia Record. Black coffee is calculated to keep a man awake all night. Perhaps, thought the others, he has a long sermon to prepare for delivery in the morning. There was another surprise for the patrons of the place when the sober individual placed a cigar box on the counter beside him.

They wouldn't have been surprised if it had been a prayer book or a Bible, but a box of cigars seemed much too worldly. However, the best of Christians smoke sometimes. This Christian quietly drank his cup of black coffee, and after paying for it picked up his cigar box and started for the door. Unfortunately, however, he carried the box with the bottom uppermost, and the next instant an astounding thing happened.

The lid of the box swung open, and about a half-peck of red, white, and blue chips, together with several bunches of aces, kings, queens, ten-spots and the like were distributed all over the floor. The clerical-looking gentleman ejaculated "blankety blank blank" several times while he gathered up his poker outfit. Then he drifted out into the night.

Ran Away Backward.

A singular accident occurred in the Frisco yards, near Joplin, Mo., recently. Engine No. 126, running extra, left town upon the Girard pasenger train's time. The trains met on a curve on the edge of town. Both engineers applied the air brakes and reversed their engines, also giving a full head of steam to mitigate the collision. The engineer, fireman and trainmen of the extra engine jumped for their lives. The engines collided, but with only enough force to crush the cow-catchers. Having a full head of steam and being reversed, the extra engine, with no one aboard, rebounded, and at a terrific speed began backing out of town. It passed through East Joplin going at a rate estimated at a mile a minute. The dispatcher was promptly notified, and all trains in its direction were held to prevent another collision. Searchers found the engine two miles from town on a hill, with the steam and water exhausted, but with no apparent damage from its wild run.

City Cousins and Summer Boarders.

In a sketch on "Peaceful Valley," picturing life in an ideal rural community, Mrs. Lyman Abbott, in the Ladies' Home Journal, presents this realistic picture: " * * * Let us spend a winter in Peaceful Valley as an experiment. The summer visitors will have gone. The 'city cousins,' who find it very convenient to spend a few economical weeks with Cousin John on grandfather's old farm, to ride about in his plain, springless wagon, to enjoy the cream and fresh butter, and Cousin Jane's 'home cooking,' with the great advantage of having saved a good many dollars to be put into added luxury and festivities in town, will have departed. Gone, too, will be the 'city boarders,' who can find more fault in an hour than any other class of people, and who show great powers of endurance by staying on in places and returning to them year after year, where, according to their unvarying testimony, 'the food is poor and the beds are hard, where there is no meat worth eating, where the insects and flying things are pestering, where it is too hot or too cold,' and where, generally, so far as the landlady ever hears, things are about as uncomfortable as they can possibly be."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JANUARY 16.

Lesson Text: "Beginning of the Ministry of Jesus," Matthew iv., 17-25—Golden Text: Matt. iv., 16—Lesson Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

17. "From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." The expression "from that time" is said to be found in this gospel only here and in chapter xvi., 21, this beginning the section about His nature and person, and that about His work and ours as His followers. The herald being imprisoned (verse 12) Jesus Himself begins to show Himself, and first as a light in Galilee to fulfill the words of Isaiah in chapter ix., 1, 2, and as surely as those were literally fulfilled so shall the words of verse 7 of the same chapter be, and the kingdom that was at hand in the days of John and Jesus, but now postponed because of the rejection of the King, shall yet be established upon the throne of David in the person of Jesus Christ the Son of David, and of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end. The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform it. "Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment. And the work of righteousness shall be peace, and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever."

18. "And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon, called Peter, and Andrew, his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers." In John i., 35-42, we read of the first meeting of Jesus with these two, how that one day when John the Baptist cried, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" two of John's disciples followed Jesus and being invited by Him abode with Him that day. One of the two was Andrew (the other probably John, who wrote the gospel), who found his brother Simon and brought him to Jesus, and Jesus called him Cephas, or Peter. It was the day after that on which Jesus found Philip and Philip found Nathanael, who said to Christ, "Thou art the Son of God, Thou art the King of Israel," and to him Jesus spake of the wondrous significance of Jacob's ladder.

19. "And he saith unto them, Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." It would seem that after the events just referred to as recorded by John, Andrew and Simon, although having evidently received Christ as the Messiah, returned to their occupation as fishermen. This was in accordance with what Paul afterward taught, "Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called" (I Cor. vii., 20). Our Lord glorified the Father first as a carpenter in Nazareth. When we receive Christ, we must first glorify Him at home and in our ordinary occupation.

20. "And they straightway left their nets and followed Him." The time may come when, if He sees us faithful at home in ordinary things, He may call us out to follow Him more fully. The whole Christian life should be a steadily increasing "following Him," as He more and more fully reveals Himself unto us. We are saved when we receive Him (John i., 12), for salvation is not giving up this or that, but wholly a receiving. We repent, or turn round, forsake idols and welcome Him and have eternal life as a gift (Rom. vi., 23). Then day by day He more and more takes the place of even lawful things, and they lose their hold upon us until Christ is all.

21. "And going on from thence, He saw other two brethren, James, the son of Zebedee, and John, his brother, in a ship with Zebedee, their father, mending their nets, and He called them." As we have said, John was no doubt the other disciple of the Baptist, who followed the Lamb of God that day with Andrew, and as Andrew found his own brother and brought him to Jesus, it is more than probable that John found his own brother and brought him to Jesus. Perhaps the words "He first findeth his own brother" (John i., 41) may indicate that Andrew was just a little ahead of John in this brother finding business. If the so called brotherhood of Philip and Andrew confine themselves to winning souls, they will be blessed of God, but when they step aside to the social and entertainment business they are no longer in the service of God. He came to save.

22. "And they immediately left the ship and their father and followed Him." The following Him of these four at this time was soon followed by even a more whole hearted following as recorded in Luke v., 11, when they forsook all, ships, net, fish and everything and followed Him. This also after the resurrection was made to mean even more to Peter, when he was told to follow Jesus, regardless of even what John might do (John xxi., 22). Thus the life becomes an ever increasing separation from the nearest and dearest unto Him alone, and we sing with a meaning perhaps undreamed of before I'll go with Him, with Him, all the way.

23. "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." When the kingdom shall have fully come and God shall dwell with men on earth, there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain (Rev. xxi., 4). The inhabitant shall not say, I am sick; the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity. They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away (Isa. xxxiii., 24; xxxv., 10). As Jesus preached the kingdom He also manifested something of the nature of it as it had been described in the writings of their prophets.

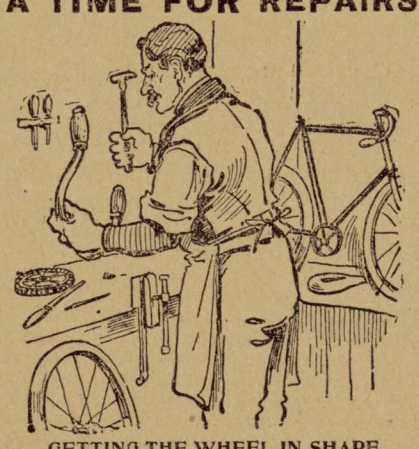
24. "And His fame went throughout all Syria, and they brought unto Him all sick people, * * * and He healed them." So we read in chapter xii., 15, "Great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all." The manner of the disease mattered not, for He had all power. It had been written by the prophet, "The eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped, then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing" (Isa. xxxv., 5, 6). It had also been written of the Messiah that He should do these things, bind up the brokenhearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of the prison to the bound (Isa. lxi., 1).

25. "And there followed Him great multitudes of people from Galilee and Decapolis and Jerusalem and Judæa and beyond Jordan." Many followed Him because He healed them, many more because He fed them. When He said things they did not like, many forsook Him (John vi., 26, 66), and after He had gone back to the Father the number of the disciples assembled in Jerusalem was only about 120 (Acts i., 15). Yet the redeemed who shall share His glory when He shall reign over the saved nations of the earth shall be a multitude that no man can number of all nations and kindreds and the people and tongues (Rev. v., 9; vii., 9, 15; xxi., 24).—Lesson Helper.

Some people save all their sympathy until a man is dead; they they make his grave sloppy with their tears.

While the autumn drought was not attended with such disastrous forest fires as many that have devastated portions of the pine lands of the Northwest in years past, the fires were dangerous enough to call public attention to the growing need of stronger federal measures for the preservation of these forests The resolutions adopted by the national irrigation congress at Lincoln, Neb., indorsed the policy of forest reservation as indicated in the orders of President Harrison and President Cleveland, may be taken as a very reliable reflection of public opinion on this question. It is true that no edict of the government could stay the devouring element that lays waste such large areas of our pine lands during the dry spells every fall, but it is conceded that these fires might be prevented by an extensive system of forest police or wardens, similar to that employed in many countries. The fires could also be checked by fixing very severe penalties for the punishment of those who are guilty of criminal carelessness and recklessness in attempting to clear lands in this manner, thereby endangering millions of dollars' worth of property. No punishment could be too severe for men who will deliberately place in jeopardy hundreds of lives and vast areas of valuable pine timber. The rapid disappearance of American forests is a matter of serious concern. The corporate and individual timber thieves, together with those who wantonly and recklessly abuse the cutting permits granted by the government, are making heavy inroads upon our forest wealth. With this class of offenders the government can and should deal vigorously. The government should not only take measures for the prompt punishment of those who waste the timber and abuse the permits to cut from the public domain, but should devise a system of patrol that will prevent the destruction of our forests by conflagration.

A TIME FOR REPAIRS



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A case in point is quoted from the *New Era*, of Greensburg, Ind. Mrs. Ellen Colsom, Newpoint, Ind., a woman forty-three years old, had suffered for four years with distressing stomach trouble. The gases generated by the indigestion pressed on the heart and caused an irregularity of its action. She had much pain in her stomach and heart, and was subject to frequent and severe choking spells, which were most severe at night. Doctors were tried in vain; the patient became worse, despondent, and feared impending death.

A CASE OF HEART FAILURE.

She was much frightened, but noticed that in intervals in which her stomach did not annoy her, her heart's action became normal. Reasoning correctly that her digestion was alone at fault, she procured the proper medicine to treat that trouble, and with immediate good results. Her appetite came back, the choking spells became less frequent and finally ceased. Her weight, which had been greatly reduced, was restored, and she now weighs more than for years. Her blood soon became pure and her cheeks rosy.

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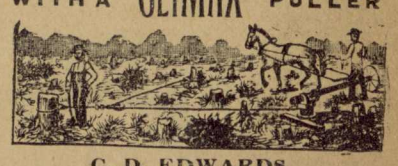

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A TERRIBLE CHARGE.

"Prisoner at the bar, have you anything to say why sentence of death shall not be passed upon you?"

A solemn hush fell over the crowded court-room, and every person waited in almost breathless expectation for an answer to the judge's question.

The judge still waited in dignified silence.

Not a whisper was heard anywhere, and the situation had become painfully oppressive, when the prisoner was seen to move; his head was raised, his hands were clinched and the blood had rushed into his pale, care-worn face. His teeth were firmly set and into his eyes came a flash of light.

Suddenly he rose to his feet, and in a low, firm voice said:

"I have. Your honor, you have asked me a question, and I now ask it as the last favor on earth that you will not interrupt my answer until I am through.

"I stand here before this bar, convicted of the willful murder of my wife. Truthful witnesses have testified to the fact that I was a loafer, a drunkard and a wretch; that I returned from one of my prolonged debauches and fired the fatal shot that killed the wife I had sworn to love, cherish and protect. While I have no remembrance of committing the fearful, cowardly, inhuman deed, I have no right to complain of or condemn the verdict of the twelve good men who have acted as a jury in this case, for their verdict is in accordance with the evidence.

"But, may it please the court, I wish to show that I am not alone responsible for the murder of my wife."

This startling statement created a tremendous sensation. The judge leaned over the desk. The lawyers wheeled around and faced the prisoner, the jurors looked at each other in amazement, while the spectators could hardly suppress their intense excitement. The prisoner paused a few seconds and then continued in the same firm, distinct voice:

"I repeat, your honor, that I am not the only one guilty of the murder of my wife. The judge on this bench, the jury in the box, the lawyers in this bar, and most of the witnesses are also guilty before Almighty God, and will have to appear before His throne, where we shall all be righteously judged.

"If twenty men conspire together for the murder of one person, the law power of this land will arrest the twenty, and each will be tried, convicted and executed for a whole murder and not for one-twentieth of the crime.

"I have been made a drunkard by law. If it had not been for legalized saloons in my town I would never have become a drunkard; I would not be here now ready to be hurled into eternity. Had it not been for the human traps set out with the consent of the government I would have been a sober man, an industrious workman, a tender father, and a loving husband. But today my home is destroyed, my wife murdered, my little children—God bless them—cast out upon the mercy of the cold world, while I am to be murdered by the strong arm of the State in which I live.

"God knows I tried to reform, but as long as the open saloon was in my open pathway, my weak, diseased will power was no match against the fearful consuming, agonizing appetite for liquor. At last I saught the protection, care and sympathy of the church of Jesus Christ.

"For one year our town was without a saloon. For one year I was a sober man. For one year my wife and children were supremely happy and our home a perfect paradise.

"I was one of those who signed remonstrances against re-opening the saloons in our town. The names of half this jury can be found today on that petition certifying to the good moral character of these rum-sellers and falsely saying that the sale of liquor was necessary in our town. The prosecuting attorney in this case is the one who so eloquently pleaded with the court for the license, and the judge who sits on this bench, and who asks me if I have anything to say before the sentence of death is passed upon me, granted the license."

The impassioned words of the prisoner fell like coals of fire upon the hearts of those present, and many of the spectators and some lawyers were moved to tears.

The judge made a motion as if to stop any further speech on the part of the prisoner, when the speaker said:

"No, no! Your honor, do not close my lips. They are the last words I shall utter on earth.

"I began my downward career at a saloon bar—legalized and protected by the commonwealth, which has received annually a part of the blood money from the poor, deluded victims. After the State had made me a drunkard and a murderer, I am taken before another bar—the bar of justice—by the same power of law that legalized the first bar, and now the law power will conduct me to the place of execution and hasten my soul into eternity. I shall appear before another bar—the judgment bar of God—and there you, who have legalized the traffic, will have to appear with me. Think you that the Great Judge will hold me—the poor, weak victim of your traffic—alone responsible for the murder of my wife? Nay, I, in my drunken, frenzied, irresponsible condition have murdered one, but you have willfully and deliberately murdered your thousands, and the murder mills are to-day in operation with your consent.

"All of you know in your hearts that these words of mine are not the ravings of an unsound mind, but God Almighty's truth. The liquor of this nation is responsible for nearly all the bloodshed, murders, riots, poverty, misery, wretchedness and woe. It breaks up thousands of happy homes every year, sends the husbands and fathers to the prison and the gallows, and drives countless mothers and children out in the world to suffer and die. It furnishes nearly all of the criminal business of this and every other court and blasts every community it touches.

"This infernal traffic is legalized and protected by parties, which you sustain by your ballots. And yet some of you have the audacity to say that you are in favor of prohibiting the traffic, while your votes go in the ballot box with those of the rumsellers and worst elements of the land in favor of continuing the business! Every year you are given the opportunity of voting against this soul and body destroying business, and wash your hands of all responsibility for the fearful results of the liquor traffic; but instead, you inform the government by your votes that you are perfectly satisfied with the present condition of things, and that they shall continue.

"You legalize the saloon that made me a drunkard and a murderer, and you are guilty with me before God and man for the murder of my wife.

"Your honor, I am done. I am now ready to receive my sentence and be lead forth to the place of execution and executed according to the laws of this State. You will close by asking the Lord to have mercy on my soul. I will close by solemnly asking God to open your blind eyes to the truth, to your own individual responsibility, so that you will cease to give your support to this hell-born traffic."

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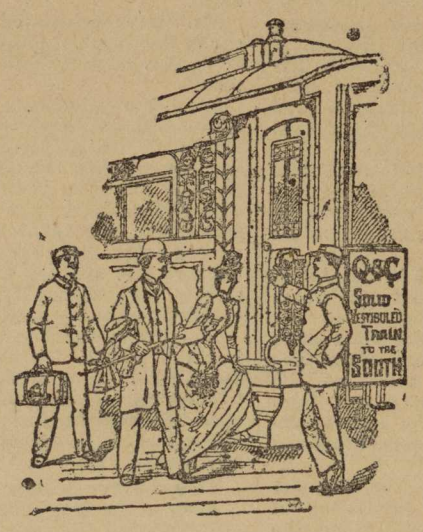

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COMPLIMENTARY, INDEED.

BRIERFIELD, Ala., Jan. 18, '97.

Editor Montevallo News.

Dear Sir:—I seize the earliest opportunity to acknowledge the reception of a copy of the Montevallo News. We humble citizens of Brierfield are exceedingly gratified to know that we have such a neat, live and newsy weekly journal published so near our doors, and we certainly congratulate our neighbor town Montevallo in being blessed with such an enterprising and progressive newspaper as I find the Montevallo News to be. There is no institution that is more conducive to the development, prosperity and general welfare of a young city than a bold, fearless and independent newspaper. A live press is always a power in any land.

We also avail ourselves of this opportunity to congratulate our neighbor Montevallo in her rapid development, in her many new enterprises, such as banks, saw-mills, brickyards, bakeries, cotton ginneries, and shops in general. We are also delighted to learn of many improvements in the way of new buildings, completed and contemplated erection at an early day in Montevallo. Those completed are ornaments to the city and an honor to her citizens, and from present indications Montevallo bids fair to become the most attractive city of Central Alabama. The people of Brierfield and vicinity rejoice in her coming prosperity.

Brierfield is at present resting under a cloud. Adversity is now frowning on her; but we are not without hope and indulge in the prospect of a brighter day. We already have what we believe to be a permanent institution, a fine male and female school of about one hundred students. It is under the management of a most learned and skillful teacher, Prof. Collier, assisted by his most accomplished wife and also Prof. Gibbons. The faculty is giving the utmost satisfaction to pupils and patrons and the school is flourishing, We believe we can boast of as fine a school as any little village in the State.

Our depot, express and telegraph offices are presided over by Mr. Yearwood, a very skillful and accomodating railroad official. Our postoffice is presided over by Miss Adelaide Mahan, one of the most popular and efficient postoffice officials Brierfield ever had.

Peace and quietude prevails in and around our town, except a little stir occasioned during the past week by theives raiding chicken houses and cattle pens. So far they have escaped arrest.

The citizens of Brierfield feel very much complimented by the visit paid us last week by Rev. L. P. Abernathy. We are always glad to see our friends.

I will now give you a rest and take one myself. If this humble scribble don't find its way to the waste basket and gets a place in your columns I will come to see you again in next issue.

With a warm wish for the success of the News, I remain most respectfully,

Yours truly,
W. W. MCCOLLUM.

What Was It?

About 11 o'clock Saturday night a light as large as a fashionable lady's hat was noticed moving southward at the rate of sixty miles an hour. At first it appeared to be about one mile from the earth and was traveling directly against the wind, vering from right to left, upward or downward, controled seemingly by some human agency. A number of men were watching it and a heated discussion arose as to whether it was a balloon or an airship, resulting in victory for the latter theory, and resolutions were passed declaring it a real full-grown airship. One of the party declared he could detect the form of a man in the ship, another said he could trace a complete outline of the most wonderful piece of mechanism, and another vowed there was a "woman in it." Being the last day of the week and the hour when spooks are supposed to walk, doubtless there are many who will be skeptical enough to pronounce the whole thing a "delusion and a snare," and with all such the NEWS reporter in a large measure agree, save perhaps that the light which created such an excitement was a toy balloon sent up by some experienced hand, the success of which far exceeded his most sanguine expectation.

For the past week visitors to the Bachelors' Home have had the satisfaction of witnessing something unusal and which has caused a great deal of comment of a complimentary nature. Miss Imogene Vandegrift had contracted to paint the fence that encloses her parents' beautiful home, and the skillful manner in which it was done is calculated to make a professional brush manipulator look to his laurels with fear and trembling. But a little while, some one has predicted, and the young men will have to wrestle with the broom and cook pots while the young ladies are looking after their interests in other and more lucrative business such as are now engaged in by men only.

The NEWS has recently turned out some very neat job work for the business houses of Montevallo and elsewhere. We do not blow much about our work but let the work blow for itself.

CHAPTER VII—(Continued.)

He returned to the depot whence he had come, and the very next train carried him back to New York city.

He thought of the exchange of overcoats which he had made with his traveling acquaintance, and muttered:

"By Jupiter! I left the keys and the wax impressions in my coat pocket. I hope they will not be the means of getting the young fellow with whom I exchanged coats into trouble."

When Stuart Harland alighted from the railway train the officers who were on the watch when the stranger whom we have followed, leaped upon the platform, were still at their post.

Harland had not taken five steps, when a heavy hand fell upon his shoulder, and as the light of the policeman's lantern was reflected full in his face, the officer said, in a stern voice, as he grasped the young man's arm:

"You are my prisoner! I arrest you on the charge of being a fugitive from justice!"

These two police officers were watching for Stuart Harland, for to them Police Sergeant Smith had wired the young man's description, and when they stopped the man who had taken Harland's overcoat, they were on the alert for the latter.

Sutart Harland's surprise was unbounded, and he was indignant, as well.

"What is the meaning of this outrage? there is certainly some mistake!" he exclaimed.

In a few words the police officers acquainted him with the fact of John Oakburn's murder, of which Sergeant Smith's dispatch had informed them.

One of the officers added:

"My instructions are simply to arrest you and return you to New York City at once."

"I suppose I must submit, but if you will only permit me to visit the house of a friend for a few moments, I shall be under obligations to you," said Stuart.

"Impossible; the return train will leave in ten minutes," replied the officer.

Stuart groaned.

"I have had my journey for naught," he muttered.

Then he thought of Marion Oakburn and the singular circumstance that she was in the broker's office at midnight. He recalled her frightened manner, and his mind was troubled.

The reflection as to how the public might construe his sudden night departure made him nervous and apprehensive.

He was not skilled in the art of hiding his emotions, and they betrayed what was passing in his mind.

The officers who accompanied him watched him closely, and they said between themselves:

"This business troubles him. He looks as though he were guilty."

Stuart never thought of examining the stranger's overcoat, which had came into his possession as we have seen.

His surprise and consternation were, therefore, quite genuine when the skeleton keys and wax impressions were taken from his pocket when he was brought before the coroner.

In a few words after this discovery, while the Coroner motioned to the man who had last entered the broker's office to be silent, Stuart explained how the exchange of overcoats came about, as we have related it.

But Stewart's story was greeted with a murmur of incredulity, and it was clear that it was not generally credited.

Harland observed this, and he turned to the young clerk who had been one of his co-laborers in the broker's office, and said:

"I am sure no one of you would wish to impugn my veracity, and I ask you to say if you recognize this coat as mine. If you do not see that it was never made for me—that it is at least three sizes too large."

The broker's clerks replied affirmatively, and expressed their conviction that Stuart's word was not to be doubted. This was certainly a confirmation of Harland's statement.

The Coroner now addressed the man who had last entered.

That individual was Mr. Pratt, of the firm of Pratt & Weeks, who had ruined Jason Garrison.

Pratt was a portly, gross-looking man, with a black goatee, which owed its color to dye, as did also his scanty hair. He was bald, but this evidence of age was partially concealed by a skillful arrangement of the remnants of his colored locks. His features were heavy and sensual, but he had a smooth, insinuating manner, and always dressed in the height of fashion. But he wore too much jewelry, and his garments were inclined to be loud.

"You wish to offer some evidence, sir?" said the coroner.

"Yes, sir; as I informed the officer at the door, who thereupon immediately proclaimed the fact, much to my surprise."

Pratt was sworn and he said:

"Having received the information at my office that young Harland was under arrest, charged with the murder of John Oakburn, I deemed it my duty to appear here to give certain testimony, which it seems to me will establish the fact, that he was actuated by a powerful motive when he committed the crime. The murder, no doubt, was but an unforeseen incident of the robbery of the safe."

He paused, and at this juncture the stately old gentleman who had left the office after hearing the banker's communication about the marked money, re-entered, but he was unobserved, for Pratt was now the central figure of the assemblage.

"The fact is, gentlemen, Stuart Harland has been indulging in speculations far beyond his means, and, as he deceived us regarding his financial status, he has become our debtor to the sum of ten thousand dollars. We were led to suppose he could control that amount of the fortune which it is nuderstood he will inherit. We hold Mr. Harland's note for the amount of his indebtedness, which is now several days overdue. Here is the note, sir," continued Pratt, as he placed the paper in the coroner's hands.

"The day preceding the murder, that is, the day before yesterday, we sent him a note, informing him that unless he settled with us, we would apply to his wealthy aunt, whose heir he is said to be. He replied that if we did so he was ruined; that his aunt was particularly opposed to stock speculating, and that she had often warned him against it, saying that her money should never be risked in that way. In fact, Harland stated that he feared his aunt would disinherit him if she found him out.

"It was my wish to give the young man time, for I pitied him, but my partner is a hard man and he was inexorable. Mr. Harland had mortally offended him in some way, and he vowed he would have his money or he would make the exposure Harland dreaded.

"Harland declared that he had no way to pay the money, but he obtained my partner's promise not to move in the matter until to-day. Now, it seems to me almost certain that his motive for the murder and the robbery was to obtain the money to pay us, and thus save himself from the loss of his aunt's fortune, which might have resulted from an exposure."

Thus Pratt concluded.

Harland had listened in silence, but his eyes flashed, and his rage was betrayed in his face.

"You are a liar and a scoundrel, Dan Pratt!" he exclaimed. "You are conspiring to ruin me. You hold my note for a thousand dollars. If it purports to be for more, it has been tampered with. Moreover, the note I can meet to that amount, as I have the money on deposit in bank and meant to send you a cheque to-day."

"Poor young man. He is plunging into the depths of falsehood and deception," said Pratt, in a mournful tone.

"We have found out his motive. The case is clear now," muttered the police sergeant.

CHAPTER VIII.

The faces of the audience, who had listened to Pratt's evidence, betrayed the impression he had made.

Stuart was regarded in such a manner that he was sure Pratt was believed by the majority.

True, none of the stolen money had been found in Stuart Harland's possession, but this could not be regarded as an evidence of his innocence, since he had ample time to secrete the proceeds of the robbery.

Thus reflected the jurors.

There was little further evidence to hear, and presently the Coroner submitted the matter to the jury, who thereupon rendered a verdict without leaving their seats, that "John Oakburn came to his death at the hands of some person, whose positive identity was unknown, but that the evidence was such as to fasten a strong suspicion upon Stuart Harland."

Thereupon, the Coroner directed that Stuart be held a prisoner to await further developments.

Stuart retained his composure admirably, as he listened to the verdict of the coroner's jury, and heard the order which condemned him to detention in prison.

The officers were about to conduct the unfortunate young man from the office, when Jason Garrison came forward and grasped his hand in a warm greeting.

"You will tell Edna that I am falsely accused," said Stuart.

"Yes, yes. She will never doubt you," answered the broker.

Harland was moving to the door, between the two officers, when Marion Oakburn gained his side, and said to him in a tone of the most positive conviction:

"Take with you the assurance that you will be saved."

Stuart was conducted to Ludlow street jail forthwith, and his mind was in a condition of doubt and trouble most harassing. So many circumstances of a surprising nature had crowded themselves into his life within the last few hours, that he was dazed and confused.

In the midst of the confusion in his mind, he saw constantly, however, like a portrait which had been stamped indelibly upon the camera of memory, the horror-stricken face of Marion Oakburn as he had seen her when she left the office in which her father had been murdered. Her face haunted him like a ghost that would not be laid, and as he reflected he thought:

"When she came out of the office her father must have been dead. Before I saw her steal out of that apartment the murder had been done.

"Where was she when the awful crime was consummated?"

There was a horrible doubt in Stuart Harland's mind then.

"But, no, no; such a thing is so entirely inconsistent with Marion's character that the monstrous thought that she may be implicated in the murder of her own father cannot find a lodgment in my mind. And yet what was she doing in the office at that hour, and why was she in such a state of terror when she left it?"

These unanswerable questions naturally suggested themselves to Stuart's mind.

Then he recollected how he had been awakened by the loud noise, which he could not account for, and he thought now that it must have been the detonation of the pistol shot that had killed John Oakburn that he had heard.

He did not know that Paxton advanced the theory that the assassin's weapon was an air-pistol. But he had caught enough of the police sergeant's mutterings to learn that the time of the murder had been fixed at twenty minutes of one, and so he knew that John Oakburn must have been dead when Marion left the office.

Despite all his suspicions and conjectures, Harland had not mentioned the incident of his having seen Marion leaving the office, for he had always entertained the most exalted opinions of her character, and he had reasoned:

"There is mystery inexplicable in Marion Oakburn's conduct, but I cannot believe her guilty. There is some explanation which will yet be made that will clear up all this dark affair, and I shall not regret my silence."

The ignoble thought that he might direct suspicion from himself by revealing his knowledge of Marion's secret visit to the office never entered his mind.

"Who can be the guilty one?" Stuart asked himself, and although there was no clue to guide his suspicions, by some mental process which he could scarcely have explained himself, his thoughts reverted to Levi Kredge, the janitor.

Perhaps the vague suspicions of this man, which entered his mind unbidden, were prompted by an opinion which he had recently formed that Levi Kredge was a spy and a sneak.

Stuart had twice caught the fellow with his ear at the key-hole of Jason Garrison's private office when confidential transactions were taking place there.

The second time Stuart's anger gained the ascendency, and he kicked Kredge out of the office.

The young man had not forgotten that Kredge had flashed upon him a look of ferocious hate as he slunk away without resenting the assault.

The fellow had not uttered a word, but Stuart had read murder in the fierce burning light of his eyes, and from that moment he knew that the seemingly inoffensive and servile cripple was a dangerous man.

The thought now occurred to Stuart that it might have been the fellow's purpose in listening at key-holes and in spying about the office to obtain knowledge which would enable him to commit a robbery when there was money in the safe.

So deeply impressed did Stuart become with the idea that Kredge was concerned in the murder that he determined to mention the matter to Mr. Garrison, to whom he had never mentioned Kredge's eavesdropping, simply because he despised anything like tale-bearing.

As for himself, Stuart was sustained by the consciousness of innocence.

Meanwhile, when Daniel Pratt was making his statement before the coroner's jury, the elegant old gentleman who had entered the office just behind him seemed strangely excited. His hands were clinched, his lips compressed themselves into a rigid line, and his beautiful, luminous dark eyes blazed with a dangerous light.

Despite this evidence of his more than passing interest in the proceedings before the coroner's jury, he was, as we have stated, an entire stranger to all present.

Did he hold some secret knowledge of the actors in this life-drama which caused his emotion?

When he hastily left the office after he overheard the banker inform the coroner regarding the mark on the money which had been stolen from Jason Garrison's safe, he hurried directly to the office of Messrs. Pratt and Weeks.

The office of this firm of brokers was arranged something after the manner of a bank, and at the moment when the stately old gentleman entered it Mr. Weeks, Pratt's partner, was behind the screen-mounted counter engaged in counting a package of money.

Producing a one-hundred-dollar note from his pocketbook, the old gentleman whom we have followed strode forward, and presenting the note at a little wicket in the screen, he asked:

"Will you please accommodate me with change?"

"In one moment, sir," replied Weeks, and he continued counting the money, while the old gentleman remained standing beside the open-work screen.

From this position he obtained an excellent view of the money with which Weeks was engaged, and he made a discovery.

He plainly saw that each note in the package of money which Weeks was counting was marked distinctly with a "V" in the upper left-hand corner of the back of the same.

It seems that the stranger must have acted upon previously acquired knowledge when he hurried straight to the office of Pratt & Weeks, the moment he acquired the knowledge that the stolen money was all privately marked.

"It is the money John Oakburn's murderer stole from Jason Garrison's safe," said the aged stranger mentally, and he thought:

"Now, if he only gives me the marked money in change, I shall have the evidence that the stolen money has found its way into the possession of these vultures. Are these birds of prey the assassin's accomplices?"

In a moment or so Weeks had counted the marked money, and then he picked up the one hundred dollar note which the stranger had placed upon the counter.

"How will you have it?" he asked.

"In two fifties, please," replied the other, who had seen notes of that denomination in the package of marked money.

The stranger repressed the excitement he felt at this moment of suspense, as Weeks turned to the package of marked money. That he meant to give him two notes from that package in exchange for the one hundred dollar note was plain, for he began to run over the notes in search of the denominations required.

In a moment he found them.

With the two marked fifty dollar notes in his hand, he was coming to the wicket to hand them to the stranger, when the door of the private department of the office, which was behind the counter, was dashed open and Pratt rushed in.

Springing to his partner's side, he seized his arm, and hissed in a whisper some communication which he did not hear.

Weeks uttered an oath and dropped the two marked fifty dollar notes back among the balance of the marked money. Then he unlocked the money drawer, and, taking out two other unmarked notes, he spitefully threw them at the aged stranger.

The latter secured them and turned to the door.

Glancing back over his shoulder, he saw Pratt and Weeks hastily gathering up the marked money.

"Pratt was just in time to foil my plan to obtain some of the marked money. They know the secret now. That scoundrel Kredge must have brought them the information," muttered the stranger.

There was a telegraphic "stock indicator" near the door, and the aged gentleman paused to consult the "tape."

He read "C. A. 400; 225 s, 60."

"Ah! Four hundred shares of the Chicago and Alton Railroad stock at two hundred and twenty-five dollars to be delivered at the seller's option, at any time within sixty days," muttered the old gentleman; and the readiness with which he translated the legend on the "indicator take" told that he was no novice in the stock market.

Leaving the establishment of Messrs. Pratt & Weeks, he returned to the office, where the inquest was still in progress.

As he passed along the side of the building occupied by the firm of Pratt & Weeks he saw Levi Kredge emerge from the private entrance to the office.

He therefore possessed the positive certitude that the janitor had brought the scheming brokers the news that the stolen money was marked.

"This affair is growing more and more mysterious. Kredge must have known that the stolen money was in the possession of Pratt and Weeks. He is their spy, that is clear," he thought.

When he arrived at Garrison's office, again, he did not immediately enter the building, and while he stood before it, he saw Pratt approach and gain entrance to the office. He then entered himself, as stated.

At the conclusion of the inquest, the mysterious old gentleman, who was secretly interesting himself in the case of John Oakburn's murder, walked to Broadway and took the omnibus to the Astor House, for at this date Jacob Astor had not made his successful innovation, and there were no horse cars on the great business thoroughfare of the great city.

Some weeks previous to the occurrence of the incidents thus far recorded, the old gentleman had arrived at the hotel, and registered the name, "Richard Stanmore."

Mr. Stanmore seemed to be a stranger in the city, but to have a great deal of business with Wall street business men.

Particularly intimate were his commercial relations with the firm of Messrs. Marks & Buck, accommodation loan brokers, who had established themselves on Wall street a year previous. Also with Judson, Kirk & Son, another Wall street firm largely interested in various mining and railway speculations.

There was another firm, not on Wall street, with whom Mr. Stanmore was evidently on the best of business terms.

The firm in question was that of Benjamin & Co., a Jewish money-lending house which negotiated large loans, and to them in secret many a Wall street operator had been glad to come for financial aid when the market took a long run "the wrong way."

Almost every evening a representative of each of the firms mentioned was closeted with Mr. Stanmore in his apartments in the hotel.

Surprising as it may seem, however, in view of the fact we have mentioned, Mr. Stanmore was entirely unknown personally on Wall street, and he never visited the offices of the business firms we have mentioned.

All of this smacked of mystery, and there was much more in the doings of Mr. Stanmore that seemed to be inexplicable.

Very much to Mr. Garrison's surprise, the day following the night of the murder and robbery drew to a close, and no one from Pratt & Weeks called upon him to demand the money he owed them.

In view of the fact that Mr. Pratt had insisted that the $78,000 must positively be paid that morning at an early hour, if the debtor wished to avoid unpleasant consequences, Mr. Garrison thought it was remarkable that he had not heard from him.

Pratt had hurried away from the broker's office without exchanging a word with Mr. Garrison.

Edna had been informed by her father of Stuart's imprisonment, and the devoted girl received the evil news bravely, for she was sustained by the belief that innocence would triumph.

Jason Garrison was in a state of intense nervous excitement and alarm. He shut himself up in his library, and at every unusual sound he started apprehensively, as though he was in momentary expectation of the occurrence of some terrible calamity.

At nightfall, as he was looking over the evening paper, he suddenly leaped to his feet, and exclaimed, excitedly:

"Can this be true! Can this be true!"

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

THE mayor of Boston has advised the council to enact an ordinance forfeiting the license of any theater which permits lottery advertisements to appear upon its program. The next step should be to expel from the council any alderman who buys a lottery ticket.

TERSELY TOLD TELEG...

Fire destroyed $65,000 property at Wharton, Tex.

The inauguration of Governor Sh... of Iowa, took place last Thursday.

The deaths from the plague at Bombay, India, during the past week numbered 450.

A new hand cancellation stamp will soon be introduced by the postoffice department.

Judge William D. Hardin, a prominent Georgian living at Savannah, died the past week.

In Mexico City four Americans have been arrested, being suspected of complicity in robberies of great magnitude.

N. L. Marmon, a prominent attorney of Memphis, Tenn., and a former resident of Oxford, Miss., was found dead in his bed last week.

China asserts that Port Arthur was ceded to Russia because there were war clouds and all the Powers seemed anxious for parts of China.

At Huntsville, Tenn., Friday morning Henry Bunn and W. D. Russell were caught in a fall of slate at the Almy Point mines. Bunn was killed outright and Russell, it is thought, will die.

At Lewiston, Me., 500 weavers of the Androscoggin mills unanimously voted to strike on Monday, January 17, the date on which the reduction takes place.

William Tyler, cousin of President John Tyler, died at Jonesboro, Tenn., aged eighty-five. He lived in a house occupied by General John Sevier in the early days of Tennessee.

Senora Ponce de Roque, wife of the insurgent Compte de Roque, arrived on the steamer Seneca at New York Thursday. Mrs. De Roque, who is a strikingly beautiful woman, was exiled from Cuba by order of General Blanco.

At Cartersville, Ga., Hampton Miller, aged 21, while loading a large log on a carriage at his father's saw mill, lost his footing and fell over on a saw and was sawed nearly in two. He is not expected to live.

At Frankfort, Ky., Representative Saunders, democrat, of Union county, introduced a resolution in the Kentucky house of representatives questioning the democracy of United States Senator Lindsay and asking him to resign.

Will Smith, son of W. M. Smith, a well-known farmer of Chickamauga, Tenn., while hunting, fired both barrels of his gun, which had been overcharged. The recoil struck him in the stomach, from the effects of which he died shortly after.

An unknown man threw himself, or accidentally fell, from a parapet of the bridge over Harlem river, New York, a distance of 147 feet into the river below, and will live. The distance is twelve feet more than that traveled by the Brooklyn bridge jumpers.

What was claimed to be the biggest hog in the world died at Columbus, Ga. It was the property of Frank Williams, of Phenix City, and weighed over a thousand pounds. The animal was over four feet high, was seven feet and nine inches in girth, and was about ten feet long.

Two More Victims.

Two names were added Friday to the death list of victims of Tuesday night's tornado at Fort Smith, Ark. They were Ann Savage and H. C. Hunter. This makes the total number of dead forty-five. It is believed that at least two more bodies are under the ruins of the Burgess hotel. The cook and a man named Ennis are missing. Of the wounded, three are expected to die, and it is now certain that the death list will exceed fifty.

"Editor" Blanco Issues a Decree.

Captain-General Blanco has issued a decree prohibiting the publication in the daily newspapers of cable dispatches without previous censorship, and without twelve hours notice of their receipt. In addition, the postoffice at Havana will detain national and foreign newspapers not having been previously censored. Violators of the law are warned that they are under military jurisdiction.

Work is progressing rapidly on the Alabama & Atlanta Air Line near Selma, and by the first of March there will be no less than 2,000 hands employed on this line.

Increase in Naval Enlistment.

Secretary Long sent a recommendation to the house committee on naval affairs Thursday for an increase in the forces of enlisted men in the naval force by 1,000 men, and asking for an increase of the apprentices in the navy by 700.

Eighty Lives Lost.

Latest advices from the Orient state that the Japanese transport steamer Nara, of 2,510 tons, bound to the Peccaderes, was wrecked December 24 and about eighty lives lost.

Suffering loses all its charms for a woman if she has to do it in silence.

It's Plausible.

Jay—I wonder why Cupid is always represented as a baby?

Jack—Probably he catches cold and meets with an early death, owing to an insufficient amount of wearing apparel.

Guarded His Grave.

The relatives of Joseph Sullivan, who died in Oakland, Cal., recently and was 7 feet 8 inches in height, have put a guard over his grave, fearing that a showman will steal his body.

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Grand opera has been given in Paris for the past five years at an average annual loss of $180,000.

A Cherokee Indian, now in Washington, is named Simon Walkingstick.

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A tilemaker named Guillout, his wife and four children have committed suicide by the use of charcoal fumes at Choisy-le-Roy, France. Poverty was the cause of their self-destruction.

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The emperor of China, who was carefully educated by an American missionary, can speak and read the English language fluently.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR JANUARY 23.

Lesson Text: "The Beatitudes," Matt. v., 1-12—Golden Text: Matt. v., 14—Commentary on the Lesson of the Day by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

1. "And seeing the multitudes He went up into a mountain and when He was set His disciples came unto Him." It would be most instructive to gather together all the mountain scenes and incidents of Scripture and contrast them with those of the plains. In connection with this lesson one might glance forward to the mountain scenes in the life of Christ, the mount of prayer, the mount of transfiguration, the mount of ascention.

2. "And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying." It seems to me very plain that He taught His disciples these things and that this is a sermon for those who have received Him and are willing to be His disciples. All who truly receive Him are saved, but to be a disciple one must be willing to be given up wholly to Him, to be taught by Him, and to be an apostle one must be willing to go anywhere for Him. There are few among the saved who by word and deed proclaim Jesus Lord to the glory of God the Father (Phil. ii., 11). Do you?

3. "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." In Jas. ii., 5, we read of the poor of this world rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom. In Zeph. iii., 12, we read of an afflicted and poor people who trust in the Lord. But it is not their poverty, but their faith, that unites them to Christ. Our Lord speaks of the poor and contrite spirit that trembles at His Word; the broken and contrite heart that is acceptable to Him (Isa. lvii., 15; lxvi., 2; Ps. li., 17).

4. "Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted." If we consider the kingdom and the glory of the King, yet to be manifested, and then see Him as the Teacher sitting here in humiliation uttering these words, we shall be greatly helped in our meditation thereon. Of all the sorrowful people that ever lived on earth He was pre-eminently the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief (Isa. liii., 3), and yet He is the Father of mercies and God of all comfort (II Cor. i., 3), who comforts us even here, that we may comfort others while we wait for the fullness of comfort at His coming (I Thess. iv., 18).

5. "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." His glory shall be the fullness of the whole earth, all the kingdoms of the world shall be His and ours with Him (Isa. vi., 3, margin; Rev. xi., 15; John xvii., 22; Rom. viii., 17, 18). None on earth, not even Moses, meekest of men of his time (Num. xii., 3), was ever as meek as Him, who said I am meek and lowly in heart. Since the earth is ours we can afford to let others have it just now if necessary and be miscalled and misunderstood for so doing.

6. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." We must still keep before us the kingdom when the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord and the King who is righteousness itself, the Lord our righteousness, the righteous Lord, who loveth righteousness (Jer. xxiii., 6; Ps. xi., 7). Of course there is in each case a present application while waiting for the kingdom, and every disciple may daily be filled with the Spirit (Eph. v., 18).

7. "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." Part of His name is the Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious (Ex. xxxiv., 6). He delights to exercise mercy or loving kindness (Jer. ix., 23, 24), and the earth shall yet be filled with it, but now He longs to find those who will be the bearers of it to others. Whenever anyone is willing to show mercy to others, they shall obtain freely an abundance of it to pass on. It is a great mistake to desire anything just for one's own use. Our Lord never lived unto Himself, but having all things in Him, if we are willing to be channels of blessing to others He will see that the channel is filled.

8. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." He alone was truly pure in heart, and He was God. When we see Him, we see God. Some day we shall see Him and be like Him, even as to our bodies (I John iii., 2; Phil. iii., 21). Now we are to behold Him in the glass of His word (II Cor. iii., 18), and in proportion as we do we shall be changed into His image, so that others seeing Him in us shall want to know Him.

9. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God. As God is the God of Peace and the Lord Jesus the Prince of Peace, we are acting very much like children of God when we carry peace everywhere. When the kingdom comes there will be peace on earth, war no more. As those to whom the kingdom belongs we are to carry samples of it in our daily life—love, joy, peace for all. We are children of God by faith in Christ Jesus (Gal. iii., 26), and there is no other way to become a child of God. But being such we are to manifest it and yield so fully to God that He may do all He desires to through us to carry peace through Christ to all people.

10. "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." The world will not tolerate this kind of life any more than it tolerated John the Baptist or the Lord Jesus. In the eyes of the world, even the religious world, this life of the kingdom with its lowliness, sorrow for sin, meekness, righteousness, mercy, purity and peace, is simply ridiculous, fanatical, not fit for the times; may do well enough for old people and little children, but men and women who are men and women indeed (in their own estimation) will not put up with it, or even suffer it to be taught if they can help it.

11. "Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake." In other words, if, for Christ's sake, you are lied about (see margin), misrepresented, slandered, falsely accused, things said about you without a particle of foundation, you are a blessed person, for you are thus privileged to have intimate and wondrous fellowship with your Lord.

12. "Rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." Fellowship with the prophets and with Christ and with God Himself—do we in any sense appreciate it or are we inclined to murmur at these things when they come to us and say, "How unjust, how unreasonable, how strange! We will not stand it!" and thus by the lack of meekness and patience miss His present approval and also the reward which He would gladly give us in that day if we would only put up with things for His sake? See the special reward for enduring in Jas. i., 12; Rev. ii., 10, and trust Him for grace to accept anything for His sake if only He can be glorified.—Lesson Helper.

LIEN ON FALSE TEETH.

A Dentist Thinks His Work as Good as That of a Carpenter.

"Say," he said, as he broke ruthlessly into a lawyer's office, "I've got a job for you."

"That's what I'm here for," said the lawyer. "State your case and I'll make a fee pretty quick."

"Well, it's this way," said the dentist, for that's what he was, "I made a set of false teeth for a scalawag a few weeks ago, and made 'em on the installment plan. The feller paid me a dollar down, and he was to pay me a dollar a week for ten weeks, and I was to have a lien on the teeth until they were paid for. Now he's quit paying and won't let me have the molars. Says they hurt his jaw, but I take notice they never affected his cheek very much."

"Did you give him a bill for 'em?"

"No. Never gave him anything but the teeth."

"Have no agreement in writing for a chattel mortgage specifying the kind of plates, and the gums, and the number of teeth?"

"No. I tell you I didn't have anything, and I ain't got anything yet. What I want to know is, haven't I got a mechanic's lien on them teeth? Didn't I work on 'em, and isn't my work as good as a carpenter's or a bricklayer's?"

"Well, I hardly think a mechanic's lien covers your case. I don't think you can get them back."

"What would they do to me if I held him up and took 'em out of his mouth and went off with 'em?"

"Maybe they could hold you for petit larceny. If you can catch him in his room asleep, and attach them by getting out a writ, maybe you can get him to come to taw, but that would cost you more than the teeth are worth. I guess you're in for it this time."

"Well, I won't get in that kind of a hole again, I'll bet you. I'll go to some of these fellers running for the Legislature, and I'll make them promise to pass a law giving us dentists a lien on the teeth we make, good till they're paid for."

"That's right; that's a good idea. Two dollars, please. Call again."

Worked Both Ways.

Author—This is an unappreciative world. Why, if I had written what Faddest has written I wouldn't be famous.

Critic—That may be true, and if Faddest had written the stuff you write he wouldn't be famous, either.

A Jockey's Epitaph.

Graven upon the tombstone of a jockey who has just been buried in a New Zealand cemetery are the simple words, "He has passed the post."

Gained Forty-Eight Pounds.

"I had a strong appetite for liquor, which was the beginning of the breaking down of my health. I was also a slave to tea and coffee drinking. I took the gold cure, but it did not help me."

This is a portion of an interview clipped from the *Daily Herald*, of Clinton, Iowa. It might well be taken for the subject of a temperance lecture, but that is not our object in publishing it. It is to show how a system, run down by drink and disease, may be restored. We cannot do better than quote further from the same:

I RETIRED TO CITY LIFE.

"For years I was unable to do my work. I could not sleep nights or rest days on account of continuous pains in my stomach and back. I was unable to digest my food. Headaches and painful urination were frequent, and my heart's action became increased. I left my farm and retired to city life, for I was a confirmed invalid, and the doctors said I would never be well again.

"Soon after I happened to use four boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and since then I have been free from all pain, headache and dyspepsia. I eat heartily and have no appetite for strong drink or tea or coffee, and feel twenty years younger.

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"JOHN B. COOK."

Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixteenth day of February, 1897.

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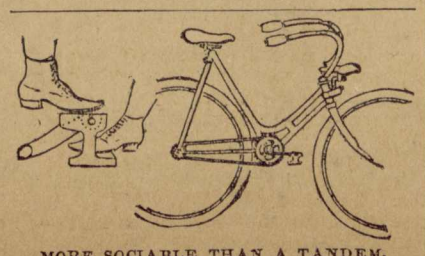
To people run down in health, from whatever cause—drink or disease—the above interview will be of interest. The truth of it is undoubted, as the statement is sworn to, and we reproduce the oath here. For any further facts concerning this medicine write to Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

The name and address of the subject of above interview is John B. Cook, of 208 South 5th Street, Lyon, Iowa.

Riders Face Each Other.

A patent has been taken out for a wheel built like a single one, but with a seat in front of the handle-bars. The front rider faces the occupant of the regular seat and works the same pedals as the rear rider. The pedals have two foot rests, one above the other.



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A Progressive Woman.

Walker—I'm very much afraid my wife is going to have brain trouble.

Ryder—What makes you think so?

Walker—Last Sunday when she returned from church she repeated the text, and never said a word about what the other women had on.

Music is rather more difficult to transmit than articulate speech, so that the recent experiments of transmitting music 860 miles is unique. This was between San Diego and San Francisco, the San Diego State Guard Band playing to a San Francisco audience. It is stated that the transmission was remarkably fine, the music being very plainly heard at the end of the line.

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In Conecticut the other day a thief asked for an acquittal on the groun that he was temporarily insane whe he committed the crime. The judg sent him to the penitentiary for thre years advised him to employ the tim in thinking up a better excuse.

The fact that a Brooklyn judg granted five divorces in thirty minut is being extensively commented on b the Eastern press. It is remarkabl only because it took place in the Eas A Western judge cannot understan how a man with conscientious idea would fool away so much time.

BISHOPS DON'T LIE.

A Legacy from Two Bishops.

Two of the brightest lights the Southern Methodist Church has ever had were the late Bishops Doggett and Kavanaugh, who, before they went to their reward, left Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine a legacy which has not only been of value to us, but has proven a boon to suffering humanity.

Below we give their own words in which they made the bequest:

From Bishop Doggett:

RICHMOND, VA., July 23rd, 1890.

"Your Liver Medicine has been of great service to myself and family. We find no substitute for it. The parcel which you generously sent us a few years' ago is nearly exhausted We can't do without it. I wish you to send us another supply. IT IS INVALUABLE." Very respectfully,

D. S. DOGGETT.

From Bishop Kavanaugh:

The following is from Rev. Bishop H. H. Kavanaugh, D. D. to Dr. M. A. Simmons, March, 1881: "I confess that I have been reluctant to figure in advertisements in regard to medicines, but feel myself so much a debtor to your "VEGETABLE LIVER-MEDICINE," that I feel it a sense of gratitude on my own part, and justice to the public requires that I should waive this objection, and allow you to publish whatever I may have written in regard to the character and value of your medicines. May many a sufferer be as much benefited by them as I have been." H. H. KAVANAUGH.

Presbyterians Believe In It.

Rev. Dr. Crisman cured of Dyspepsia and Rheumatism.

Edgefield Cumberland Presbyterian Church, E. B. Crisman, D.D., Pastor, Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 14, 1889.

I am still using Simmons Liver Medicine. It is invaluable to me. I began its use eight years ago and it cured me of both dyspepsia and rheumatism and keeps me in perfect health. I prefer to order it from you direct for I know then that I get the genuine and get it fresh. I am to start on the 22d inst. to a meeting of the Synod of Tennessee at Cleveland. If I can serve you in any way on the trip I will be glad to do so. Respectfully,

E. B. CRISMAN.

An Eminent Baptist Has Spoken.

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Beware of any article called "Simmons Liver Medicine" which has on it the name of "J. H. Zeilin & Co.," or "A. W. Simmons' & Co.," or "T. F. Cheek & Co;" and especially beware of any article represented as "the same," or "just as good" as the original Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

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To the Pnblic.

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Respectfully,
CLIFTON NEWTON.

Encouraging reports come from Capt. Reynolds with reference to the land bill.

Indications are favorable to Congressman Plowman holding his seat in the house.

Congressman Plowman is making a fight against Bingham, McKinley's appointee to the postmastership of Talladega.

Hanna was chosen senator from Ohio after a heated contest. It will be a happy day when his ilk are laid in the shade for good. The whole proceeding smacks of corruption and shame.

How soon the crisis in Cuba will terminate no one knows, but that a crisis is pending no one questions. In the name of common humanity free the plucky little island from the despotic rule of brutal Spain.

Speaker Reed is being denounced as a traitor, coward and tool by the Republican members of the house for his position on the Cuban question. The friends of recognition on both sides are pushing the matter, and it looks like a fusion between Republican and Democratic friends of this measure.

DR. J. L. M. CURRY.

Montevallo was honored by a visit from Dr. Curry, of Washington, D. C., on Tuesday. He came to see the workings of the Industrial school. Though only a short notice of his intended visit was given, a committee of citizens met him at the train and showed him through all the class rooms of the college.

Dr. Curry is wonderfully fitted for his work as agent of the Peabody fund. A man of extended education, large experience and much travel, he is prepared to enter into any and all phases of school life. His great heart and ready sympathy makes him a welcome visitor to the home or class room.

In the afternoon the large chapel was filled to overflowing to hear this gifted and honored son of Alabama speak. On the platform were many of our citizens. After the large audience had sang "America," Rev. P. L. Abernathy introduced the speaker.

For more than an hour words of eloquence and wisdom fell from the doctor's lips. His great audience sat in silence and drank in every word. Time after time he was greeted by rounds of applause. He payed a beautiful tribute to woman and showed how education, becoming a part of the individual, was ever lifting her higher and higher. By it we are able to think God's thoughts. It heals the trammels of our little life and permits us to see God in every phase of nature and walk with Him amid his visible expression, in nature and in science.

The speaker's heart shone forth in all he said and proved with all his greatness that he was a gentletleman simple, true and loveable.

Montevallo will long remember the day that brought this great man with his words of cheer and encouragement. Every girl will look out upon her life as containing greater powers and nobler possibilities.

He was profuse in his expression of surprise and gratification at the marvelous growth of the school. He declared it the most important and promising work ever undertaken by the State. I am proud, he said, of all Alabama has ever done for the education of her sons. I am proud of her University. I am proud of her school at Auburn, and all her normal schools, but I doff my hat to her girls' school at Montevallo, the most important enterprise on any line she has ever undertaken. His words of approval of its management and the success it had attained under the presidency of Capt. Reynolds were strong.

SCHOOL NOTES.

There are now about 360 girls in attendance at the Institute.

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Miss Marie Pearce, of Oxford, was called home this morning by the illness of her brother.

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Miss Mamie Bell Fleming of Montgomery has been called home by illness in her family.

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Miss Gussie and Lena Gardner arrived this morning from Birmingham to enter the college.

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Miss Sallie Fuller of Birmingham, Ala., much to the segret of her many friends went home Tuesday. It is hoped that she will soon return.

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The popularity of the Girls' Industrial School is evidenced by the great number of visitors, many of whom come from distant portions of the State just to see the school.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Thomas Harrison visited Maylene Sunday.

Robert Harkins and James Harrison, of Gurnee, were in town Monday.

Here is our secret: Claude Lucas, the ladies man, goes down to Randolph to see the girls.

Robert Cunningham has purchased a lady's watch. It's a beauty. Wonder if Robert will wear it.

Mrs. Isaac Powell recently purchased an organ for herself that cost one hundred and seventy-five cool dollars.

Miss Mattie Allen, who has been visiting relatives and friends near this place, has returned home, much to the regret of her friends here.

W. L. Clark, who is operating the Harrison coal mine, says he is having good success and will in the near future commence shipping some fine coal.

How about the Louisville & Nashville extending their mineral road from Calera to Gurnee via Montevallo, Aldrich and Dogwood? Every body around is eager for such a move.

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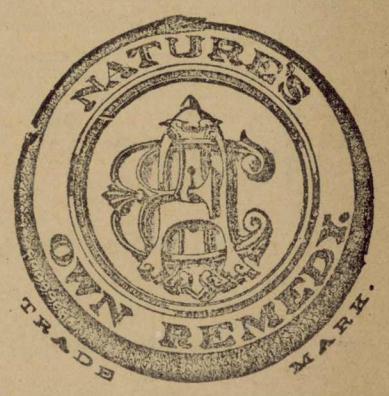

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Tuesday was a gala day in Montevallo. Dr. Curry's speech will long be remembered by all who heard him.

How the fair hands of the school girls rang with applause when Dr. Curry suggested to Mrs. Babb to give them a holiday.

Mr. McKibbon will start a wagon factory in Montevallo next week. D. J. Moreland, the popular woodsmith, will be in charge.

Some slick-fingered, contemptible quarter section of humanity relieved the editor of his raincoat during his absence last Friday. We circulate now in dry weather only.

Dr. E. A. Wilson, the well-known dentist, of Birmingham, arrived in Montevallo Tuesday; and will remain here till Saturday. Parties wishing work in his line should call early.

S. B. Gibson made a hurry trip to Birmingham, recently. His wife and daughter returned with him and they are now house-keeping. It is thus we grow. We like the comers and goers, but the comers and stayers we like even more.

Read the article on first page under the caption "A Terrible Charge." If you find anything in it that creates a desire to laugh till your sides split there is something wrong with you and a doctor should be consulted at once.

In Columbiana the citizens have to lug their groceries home. So says the Chronicle. It is different in Montevallo. Our merchants deliver all groceries when requested to. They are up-to-date, in fact a little ahead of the times.

Married, near Brierfield, January 19th, R. J. Underwood and Miss L. A. Fancher. According to report the individual troubles of the contracting parties were rolled together in one heap at 15 minutes after 3 o'clock p. m. May they be more successful than scores of others who have tried this co-operative scheme.

James Thrash and John Campbell, of Sawyers Cove, brought four bales of cotton to Montevallo last Monday. Twenty-five miles over rough roads is a trip to be well considered before taken, but a market like Montevallo will draw heavier loads from even a greater distance and over any kind of road.

People will talk, and if they can't say anything bad about a town they will say something good. Montevallo is getting her share of attention and talk now. Within the past week a number of parties have visited the city with the view of locating and engaging in business. All say they were induced to visit Montevallo by good reports obtained through reliable sources, men familiar with the city's facilities and future prospects.

Abraham and Jacob, the Vandemeer Bros., photographers, are neck deep in photographs this week, the result of their two weeks' work making negatives. For the past two days and nights they have been engaged in developing. Among the immense collection we notice a whole heap of familiar faces, some as fair and sweet as sugar-bespattered snow and others as black and repulsive as a thunder-cloud in August. Good subjects, we notice, gets the best picture, that is the perfect figure and pretty face wins the race.

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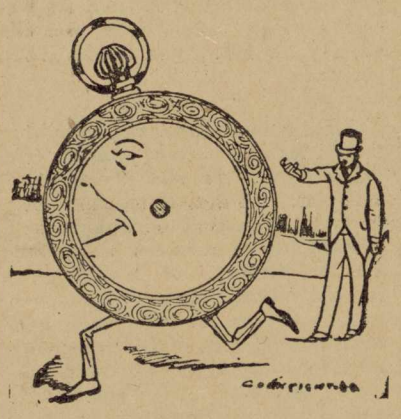

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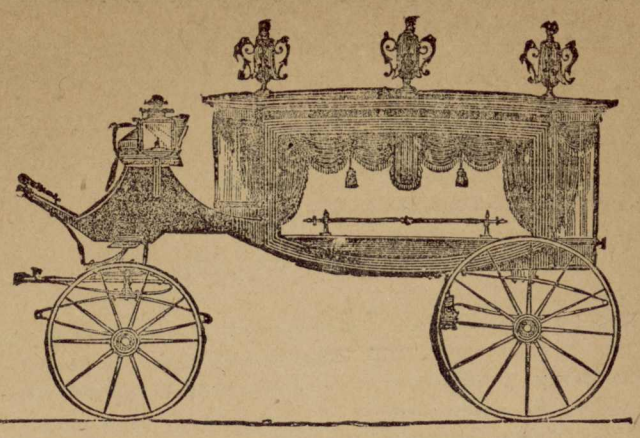

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The ingenuity that has been exhibited of late years in the discovery and application of explosives for mining purposes has really been remarkable, and not less so has been the growth of the trade in explosives during the period of twenty years since the English act of 1875 came into operation, says the Trade Journals Review. Not only has the number of factories more than doubled, but the number of persons employed in them is now over 10,000, which shows an increase of nearly 3000 even during the last ten years.

Professor Bryce declares that the one conspicuous failure of American institutions is the government of our great cities, which every intelligent man knows to be true. The state limits the liberties of its cities. It does not dare to trust them with full autonomy. We have for years relied upon the country vote to hold the cities in check, but the time is soon coming when the cities will take matters into their own hands. If the rate of growth from 1880 to 1890 continues, in 1920 the cities of the United States will contain 10,000,000 more than one-half of the population. The city will then control state and nation.

The plague continues to spread in India, in spite of all sanitary efforts for its extirpation. Its progress is slow in comparison with most epidemics, but it is the hardest of them all to uproot entirely. It is several years since the present malady started on its course from China, and the history of previous visitations justifies the conjecture that it may have a long road to travel. Russia's plague of 1878 hovered about the countries of Western Asia for a decade before it advanced northward. In 1867 it appeared at Bagdad; in 1870-'71 Kurdistan was invaded; and in 1873 Bagdad suffered anew. In 1877 it appeared at Recht, an important city of Northern Persia, near the port of Enseli, from whence it was carried northward in Caspian ships and planted in the populous but malarious and unwholesome deltas of the Volga. Russia did not get rid of it for a number of years, and stray cases of it appeared in other European countries, to which it has been a periodical visitor since their history began. It may come again, but it is not now armed with its old terrors.

Disgraceful scenes have been witnessed more than once in American legislative chambers, recalls the New York Times. Our statesmen have occasionally resorted to the argument of fists vigorously swung, and in just a few instances the course of debate has been interrupted by the violent insertion into it of knives and revolvers. These lamentable facts are not to be denied, but the humiliation they have caused in sensitive minds is much mitigated by the thought that never, even amid the agonies of "reconstruction," did the most uncouth of our lawmakers display for more than a few minutes the reckless blackguardism by which for weeks past the members of the Austrian Reichsrath have shaken the foundations of the empire and classed themselves with savages. Democracy has its scandals, but monarchical institutions, apparently, do not develop in all who live under them unvarying reliance on courteous and legal methods as the only alternatives to out-and-out rebellion. However, we should remember that the government of the United States is an ancient one, compared with those of Austro-Hungary, Germany, Spain, Italy, France, and most of the minor Continental nations. In due time, no doubt, the residents of Europe will attain to our present high average of self-control. It would not be fair to expect as much from people to whom constitutional rule is still only an experiment as from those whose ancestors have been free for many a generation, and who have learned from long experience when to fight and when to make parliamentary motions.

All over the country landowners and others are suing paper, woodpulp and saw mills for dumping refuse and waste into streams and ruining them. Most of the suits are successful.

CITY SWEPT BY A TORNADO.

Fort Smith, Ark., the Scene of Death and Desolation.

FORTY-THREE LIVES KNOWN TO BE LOST,

And Upwards of One Hundred Injured. The Property Loss Will Reach More Than a Million Dollars—Damage in Crawford County.

Forty-three human lives and upwards of $1,000,000 worth of property were destroyed by a terrible tornado which burst upon Fort Smith, Ark., a few minutes past 11 o'clock Tuesday night. The storm struck near the national cemetery and tore its way through the entire city, leaving its path marked by death and desolation. Men, women and children, peacefully asleep in their homes, were, without a moment's warning, awakened to a horrible death in the fearful storm, while others momentarily more fortunate and who escaped the furies of the wind, met a far worse fate a few moments later in the flames which soon engulfed many of the wrecked buildings.

List of the Dead.

The list of the dead and wounded, so far as known, is as follows: Silas Mineer, a prominent young merchant. His residence was blown away and he was struck across the back with a heavy piece of falling timber. Harvey Rutledge, a negro; Mary Timmerman; two unknown young men from Burgess hotel; John Grisgold, a tailor; John Martin and J. J. Kiley, farmers from Madison county, here attending United States court; George Carter, foreman grand opera house; Mrs. Milt Burgess, proprietor of the Burgess hotel: two unknown men died at the hospital; J. M. Foutz, farmer; Joe Kyle, farmer; two Lefevere boys; Malt Knapton, Jr.; Mrs. Malt Knapton; Joe Ukase, negro; Ed Ferrell, butcher, and his two little children, Irene and Roy; Frank Richardson, restaurant keeper; John Adams, a carpenter; Mrs. Charles Mauver; —— Ritter, gardner; Mrs. Will Lawson; Louie Sengel; Miss Holden; John Badt, a farmer; Mrs. Maggie Shehan's infant; L. Woehle, butcher; James Smith, a clerk; Mrs. Jones; Mrs. Gray, son and wife; Atlas Jones; Frank Lefevere and Etta Knes.

The Injured.

The injured: Mrs. Braden, arm broken; D. L. Grimes, collar bone broken; —— Martin, chin fractured and side bruised; —— Hosea, jaw broken; William Lawson, back injured; Bell Martin, chest smashed; Tony Eberhardt, hips bruised; F. E. Hubbell, back hurt; R. H. Crenholder, back injuree; A. B. Stafford, back injured; —— Ashworth, chest chrushed; Dr. Gate, both arms broken; Mrs. Gate, badly mashed; Mrs. Gate's mother, seriously crushed; Minnie Burgess, spine injured; Mrs. E. Grell, injured about chest; Mrs. Hugh Rogers, badly bruised about body; Mr. and Mrs. Ritter, caught under falling walls; Mrs. F. H. Brown, body crushed; Mrs. Luther Hunley, chest crushed; —— Lane, hip dislocated; Ed Yaden, badly bruised; —— Woolsey, seriously hurt; R. L. Hirschberger, shoulder dislocated, injured about head; Miss Lily Stahl, seriously injured.

The scene following the first terrific crash of the storm was one of awful grandeur. Business blocks, handsome residences and humble cottages were razed to the ground and scattered in shapeless masses. Several of the wrecks caught fire and the inflammable timbers burned furiously.

The beautiful National cemetery is a wreck. The huge trees are uprooted, the lodge demolished and the wall torn down.

Fort Smith's $50,000 high school building, the finest of its kind in the south, was badly wrecked, but was one of the few buildings upon which there was any tornado insurance.

Through Crawford County.

The tornado that descended upon Fort Smith crossed the Arkansas river one mile south of Van Buren and cut a path of 200 yards through Crawford county, and dealt death and devastation to everything in its path.

Charles Wright was blown from his horse and fatally injured; Ed Blakemore was instantly killed by his house blowing down on him; the house of Mrs. Bush was demolished, and she was crushed into a shapeless mass of flesh and bone, and two of her children, aged 8 and 16, were fatally hurt. It is estimated that one hundred head of cattle and horses were in the path of the tornado and were killed, or injured so badly that they had to be killed.

Latest Estimates.

The latest of the death list shows a total of forty-three lives lost in the tornado which swept through Fort Smith Tuesday night. Not less than seventy others are injured, a large number of whom are seriously hurt and several are expected to die.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

The civil service debate was again resumed today. The opponents of the law had much the best of the debate as far as the numbers of those engaging in it were concerned. Nine of the eleven speakers were of the opposition. The friends of the law are very anxious to shut off further debate and in this will have the co-operation of the speaker and the rules committee. Mr. Moody, who has charge of the bill, gave notice that he would test the sense of the house tomorrow on a motion to close debate. The opposition immediately sent word to all in their ranks to be on hand, and they say they will have no difficulty in defeating the motion. The entire day was consumed by the debate, when at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill was reported favorably from the Indian committee prohibiting railroad companies from charging more than 3 cents a mile for passengers through the Indian territory.... A resolution looking to the filtration of water used in the city of Washington was referred to the District of Columbia committee.... At 12:30 p. m., the senate went into executive session to consider the Hawaiian annexation treaty. The treaty was not taken up immediately in the executive session, as a number of nominations were at first confirmed. Immediately after the treaty was called up Senator Pettigrew offered his motion for conducting the debate on it with open doors, which was antagonized by Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and others. A majority of those favoring open doors are opposed to ratification, but not all of them are on that side of the main controversy. The senate decided not to debate the Hawaiian treaty in open session, and at 3:45 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The civil service debate, which was inaugurated in the house a few weeks ago, ended to-day. It opened with a row, but ended very tamely. There was not even a vote on the appropriation in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill for the civil service commission. The republicans, who were seeking to modify or repeal the law, decided to let the debate come to a close to-day, but it required the casting vote of the speaker to accomplish this. There is conflicting statements as to the situation in which the future conduct of the war against the civil service law is left. All the republican opponents of the law agree that the fight is to be kept up. It is understood that an opportunity will be given in the future for the consideration of a bill to modify the law. The debate to-day was quite dull until the closing hour, when Mr. Simpson enlivened it with reference to the Ohio senatorial election. Mr. Bailey made a clear statement of the minority position, which indicates that the minority will vote to repeal, but not to modify the law. The principal speech of the day was made by Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil aervice committee, who defended the law in a two hours' speech.

The Senate.

The senate today briefly discussed an adverse report by the pensions committee on a bill to pension General Meade's two daughters at $100 a month each, Chairman Gallinger saying the committee did not wish to enter on the pensioning of daughters of veterans. Senator Allen, of Nebraska, thought that General Meade's service justified such liberality. No action was taken and after Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, announced a speech on the money question for next Monday, Senator Fairbanks addressed the senate on immigration. After this speech the Hawaiian treaty was taken up in executive session.... Mr. Allen secured the adoption of a resolution calling upon the president for information in his possession relative to the boundary line between Venezuela and British Guinea, and to inform the senate whether the United States now has any clerks or other employes at work upon the Venezuelan boundary question and also what part of the $100,000 appropriated for the Venezuelan commission has been expended.... At 3:45 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

The house today passed an urgent deficiency bill carrying $1,741,843. One of the items, authorizing a further expenditure of $520,000 for the soldiers' home at Danville, Ill., for which $150,000 was appropriated in the last sundry civil bill, was used by Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, as a basis for a bitter personal attack upon Chairman Cannon, whose home is at Danville. Mr. DeArmond moved to strike out the paragraph appropriating $100,000 for the construction of barracks at the soldiers' home established at Danville. He called attention to the fact that when the sundry civil bill passed at the last session carrying $150,000 for the establishment of the Danville home it was then stated that was all the money which would be asked for. Mr. DeArmond was exceedingly caustic in his criticism of Mr. Cannon, who, he said, after using his power on the appropriations committee to get that soldiers' home located at his home town, was trying to take a half million more out of the treasury. Mr. Cannon, in his reply, was as sarcastic as his adversary. Several members spoke briefly of the testimony, showing the necessity for a soldiers' home in the Mississippi valley, and the propriety of locating it at Danville. Mr. DeArmond's motion was then defeated without division. There was also a lively debate over the provisions in the bill requiring the owners of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transporting bullion from assay offices to the mints. The house then adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Chandler, of the committee on naval affairs in the senate today, secured the passage of a resolution asking the secretary of the navy to furnish a list of the active officers of the navy in each corps, together with those who are at sea or on shore duty and on walking orders. At 12:25 p. m. the senate, on motion of Mr. Davis, went into executive session and Mr. Davis continued his speech on the Hawaiian question. Mr. Davis' speech today was devoted largely to a presentation of the strategic features of annexation. He displayed a chart showing the location of Hawaii relative to this country and to Asia. One of the points brought out with considerable elaboration was the probable effect on the Nicaragua canal, of the occupation of the islands by some foreign power. He illustrated by a reference to the map showing that Hawaii was in a straight line between the western terminus of the canal and Japan and China. The nation, he said, which controls Hawaii, will control that great gateway of commerce, and the guns planted upon Hawaii would be pointed directly at the mouth of the canal. Senator Allen, of Nebraska, followed in opposition to the treaty. He called attention to the distance of Hawaii from our own shores, referred to the necessity we would be under of defending the islands in case of war, and claimed that on this account it would be necessary for the United States to establish and maintain a separate fleet for their protection, as well as an army on the islands. The senate then adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house today entered upon the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill. The bill carries $3,323,302, being $135,500 in excess of the amount for the current year. Mr. Wadsworth, of New York, chairman of the agricultural committee, explained that the increases were due to the growing demand for inspections of meat and meat products for export.... Under the latitude allowed for debate, Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, submitted an extended argument in favor of the establishment of the postal savings bank system.... After some remarks by Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, in support of the appropriation in the bill for seed distribution and in eulogy of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, whom he described as a genuine hard-fisted farmer, Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, got the floor and submitted some sarcastic commen s on the report of the election of Senator Hanna, at Columbus yesterday. He read the telegram sent by Mr. Hanna to President McKinley: "God reigns and the republican party still lives," from which the basis of his remarks were taken.... An amendment was offered to strike out the appropriation for seed distribution, which was defeated by a vote of 119 to 115.... After a sharp debate an amendment appropriating $105,000 for the publication and distribution of 150,000 copies of the "horse book" was adopted, 115 to 103. The house then adjourned.

The Senate.

Among the measures reported to the senate today was the pension appropriation bill. It was placed on the calendar. At the conclusion of the morning business the immigration bill, the unfinished business, was taken up, and Mr. Caffery, of Louisiana, was recognized for a speech in opposition to the measure.... Eulogies in memory of Senator Harris, of Tennessee, which were to have been presented today were postponed.... The senate did not make great progress with the Hawaiian annexation treaty. Several speeches were delivered, but in every instance the speakers announced that today's remarks were merely preliminary to what they should say before the close of the senate. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, made the principal speech of the day.

Senator Cannon, of Utah, presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the president is requested, if in his opinion it is not incompatible with the public interest, to transmit to the senate at his earliest convenience a statement showing what measures are in force by this government in the Island of Cuba and in waters contiguous thereto, to protect the lives and property of American citizens now living in Cuba."

At 4:50 the senate adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The house managers decided not to proceed with the consideration of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill today, but to give the day for the consideration of private bills. This was doubtless done to avert the possibility of precipitating a sensational Cuban debate during the consideration of the appropriation bill. When the house adjourned last night the amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill providing for the publication of another edition of "Horse Book" was pending. Today the friends of the amendment compromised with the appropriation committee by agreeing to a reduction of the number to be printed from 150,000 to 75,000. An amendment to the amendment was adopted and the bill was passed.... The resolution was adopted accepting the invitation of the government of Norway to participate in the international fisheries exposition at Bergen from May to September, 1898.... The senate bill to refer to the court of claims the claim of the corporation of the book agents of the Methodist church, south, was next taken up. Mr. Cooper, of Texas, in charge of the bill, moved as a substitute a bill appropriating $288,000 for the full settlement of this claim. The property of the corporation, which was located at Nashville, Tenn., was seized and held by the United States from 1862 to 1866, when it was turned over to the owners. After a lengthy discussion the bill went over until tomorrow and the house adjourned.

The Senate.

After the transaction of some routine business in the senate to-day Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, presented the following resolution, proposing an amendment to the constitution: "That the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States: The term of office of senators and members of the Fifty-sixth congress shall continue until the 30th day of April in the year 1899 at noon. The senators whose existing terms would otherwise expire on the 4th day of March in the year 1899, or thereafter, shall continue in office until noon of the 30th day of April, succeeding such expiration; and the 30th day of April, at noon, shall thereafter be substituted for the 4th of March as the commencement and termination of the official term of president, vice-president, senators and representatives in congress." The resolution was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.... Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, secured the passage of a bill to regulate the duties of the United States judges in the district courts in Alabama.... Almost the entire four hours of the executive session of the senate to-day was devoted to the indirect consideration of the nomination of Hon. Joseph McKenna, now attorney-general, to be associate justice of the supreme court. Upon agreement consideration was deferred until a week from to-day.... Consideration of the Hawaiian treaty was postponed until next Monday.

The House—Saturday.

The house devoted two hours to general debate on the army appropriation bill and the remainder of the day to eulogizing the life and public services of the late Representative Seth W. Milliken, of Maine, who served for fourteen years in the lower branch of congress.... On motion of Mr. Lanham, of Texas, a bill was passed authorizing the president to appoint an additional district judge for the northern district of Texas. It was evident that Judge Rector, now the judge of that district, was utterly incapacitated from performing the duties of his office.... The house then went into committee of the whole and took up the consideration of the army appropriation bill. The bill, Chairman Hull, of the military committee, explained, carried $23,185,990, which was $1,039,750 less than the estimates and $56,746 in excess of the law for the current year. The increase in the pay of the army was due to the fact that the army was nearer its maximum strength than heretofore. At 2 o'clock debate was suspended to give the members an opportunity to pay tribute to the memory of the late Representative Milliken, of Maine, and as a further mark of the respect, the house at 3:25 p. m. adjourned.

Race of Millions.

A railroad building race, involving the expenditure of $16,000,000, has been commenced by two wealthy corporations, each of which desires to own the first railroad into the Yukon country. Each road will be about 400 miles long, running from Pyramid, near the head of the Lynn canal, to points on the Lewis river, below Five Finger Rapids.

James B. Simpson, one of Alabama's brightest journalists and recording secretary to Governor Johnston, died at Montgomery the past week.

Was a Real Battle.

It is reported that an important engagement has taken place between the Spaniards and the insurgents under General Rabi in the direction of Manzanilla, in which the insurgents lost 300 men killed and the Spaniards 140 killed and wounded.

Ex-President Cleveland has made a second appeal to Governor Budd, of California, for clemency in the case of Walter D. Worden, convicted of murder in connection with the train wrecking in the great strike of 1894.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

Is a Feature in Southern Iron, Sales Being Very Heavy.

GOOD EXPORT DEMAND FOR COTTON.

Prices Generally Remain Steady or Tend Upward—Mild Weather Checks Distribution of Winter Goods—Failures Slightly on the Decrease.

Bradstreet's weekly review of trade says: Distributive trade remains rather quiet, mild weather throughout the country tending to check distribution of winter goods. Prices generally remain steady or tend upward, except for some grades of iron and orders for spring trade where received are encouraging. Industrial activity is most manifest at the west, where the demand for iron is very large. A feature of the week was the placing of an order by one railway for 100,000 tons of steel rails, with smaller orders, aggregating in the neighborhood of 25,000,000 tons more. Pig iron production is now at an unprecedented rate, the furnace capacity being estimated at 1,000,000 tons a month. At the south manufacturing activity is a feature, sales of iron being very heavy. A good export demand for cotton and grain at steady prices is a feature. At the east a number of strikes against wage reductions are reported or expected in the cotton industry.

Some woolen mills, working on men's heavy wear goods are refusing orders, their capacity being fully booked. Anthracite coal production, it is hoped, in that trade, will be restricted sufficiently to allow of the advance of 20 to 40 cents per ton being maintained.

The recent falling off in wheat exports prove, as was indicated last week in Bradstreet's, to have been due to the usual holiday quieting, and not to any falling off of demand from abroad. The total exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from the United States and Canada this week amounted to 5,135,166 bushels, against 3,481,000 bushels last week and 3,948,000 bushels this week a year ago, 3,202,000 bushels in 1896 and 3,564,000 bushels in 1895.

Corn exports for the week show a gain of 1,000,000 bushels, amounting to 4,514,000 bushels against 3,255,000 bushels last week and 3,336,000 bushels in the corresponding week of 1896.

As was expected, weekly failures are slightly smaller in number, amounting to 323 this week, against 333 last week, 479 in this week of 1897, 412 in 1896, 358 in 1895 and 386 in 1894.

STRIKE ENDORSED.

Decided to Stay Out Until All Demands Are Granted.

At New Bedford, Mass., Adelphi rink was crowded Friday to its utmost capacity, fully 2,000 men and women attending the mass meeting of the union and non-union weaver of the city.

The action of the union in voting to strike was indorsed by a hearty aye, and it was voted to stay out until the abuses claimed by the weavers are corrected.

The weavers demand, first, a restoration of wages; second, the abolition of the finding system; third, the adoption of a uniform price list in all the mills of the city.

It was the sentiment of all that the weavers would no go to work Monday if the notices were taken down. The union and non-union card and picker room operatives had a mass meeting also and unanimously decided to resist the cut.

HOW TO MAKE THE FARMS PAY.

A Georgia Farmer Shows That Diversified Crops is the Panacea.

R. W. Hale, a Pike county, Georgia, farmer, has realized the value of diversified crops on a farm by his experience during the year just closed. He made forty-six bales of cotton and sold it for less than it cost to produce it. On the other hand Mr. Hale has a young orchard of forty-six acres of fruit trees. Only ten acres were old enough to bear any fruit last season, but nevertheless fruit men paid him $1,000 cash to let them ship what they wanted to from the orchard. When they got through a distiller gave Mr. Hale two barrels of brandy for what was left. After this, the hogs had a feast on the balance.

WARSHIPS MOVING SOUTHWARD

Said to Have No Reference to the Present Cuban Troubles.

The North Atlantic squadron which has been gathered at Hampton Roads, sailed Southward Saturday. Lest there should be any misunderstanding of the purpose of the cruise, which has already been described, the order under which the vessels will proceed have been made public and taken in connection with the department's orders to Admiral Sicard, the navy department says, show the squadron movements have no reference to Cuba. The squadron is supposed to be destined eventually to participate in drills in the Key West drill waters.

RIOTING IN HAVANA.

Army Officers Make an Attack on Newspapers.

A special from Havana says: At 10 o'clock Wednesday morning about 100 army officers, incensed by the violent attacks made by some of the local papers on the general-in-chief and the principal officers of the Spanish army in Cuba, went to the printing offices of the daily journals, La Discuscion and El Reconcentrado, and began smashing the windows and destroying the printing outfits, as well as cuffing the employes. A mob of thousands followed, shouting "Long live Spain," "Long live the army," "Long live the volunteers." The appearance at the office of La Discuscion of General Garriche, acting military commander at Havana, and General Solano, chief of staff, prevented more serious outrages. The officers then proceeded to the office of El Diario de la Marina, the mob meanwhile shouting "Death to El Concentrado" and "Death to La Discuscion." But on the appearance of General Parrado the people scattered.

At 11:30 large crowds of citizens appeared opposite the office of El Diario de la Marina and began smashing the doors and shouting "Long live Spain," "Long live the army," "Long live the volunteers."

The gendarmerie dispersed the rioters. Order was finally established. Central Park has been transformed into a military camp. There has been great excitement among the authorities, who have taken all necessary precautions to maintain order. The troops have been ordered into barracks. The police are guarding the printing offices.

At 8:30 in the evening groups of civilians formed again in the plaza de Armasy in front of the palace, shouting, "Long live Spain," "Long live the king," "Long live Weyler," and "Down with autonomy."

Warships in Readiness.

The battleships Maine and Marblehead, at Key West, have received orders to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Cuba at an instant's warning. The orders came by telegraph. In compliance with these orders, the commanders of the battleships have made all arrangements to get under way without delay. They have been placed in communication with General Lee, who will cable them whether or not it is necessary for them to go to Havana.

Consul Lee's Report.

United States Consul General Lee has reported to the state department from Havana under date of Wednesday the facts connected with the rioting there Tuesday. While the state department officials do not divulge the text of the dispatch, it is said that they corroborate the news that has been revealed on the subject. According to General Lee's report the disturbance has been quelled for the time being, but he was apprehensive of another outbreak at any moment.

Massacre Story False.

Indian Agent Wisdom, at Muskogee, I. T., has wired the state department concerning the reported massacre of white settlers by Indians, as follows: "The reports in the papers that the Seminoles are on the warpath are absolutely false. Clerk Wisdom has just returned from Wewoka, and states that all is quiet. There is no probable uprising of the Indians. Commissioner Fears is proceeding with the investigation of the two Indians."

Largest Cargo of Cotton Ever Shipped.

The British steamship Ranza was cleared Thursday from Savannah, Ga., for Bremen, with 18,200 bales of cotton, weighing 8,963,855 pounds, valued at $524,952. This is the largest cargo of cotton ever shipped from an Atlantic port, and is over 7,000 bales more than was ever shipped from this port on any vessel. The Ranza has an additional weight of 660 tons of coal and 400 tons of water ballast, and draws 21 feet 10 inches.

Bill to Increase the Navy.

Senator Morgan Thursday introduced a bill providing for the increase of the naval establishment by the construction of four coast defense monitors of the class of the Miantonomah, Amphitrite, Monadnock and Terror. The bill provides that the vessels shall be fitted with the pneumatic system, similar to that in use on the Terror, and $400,000 is appropriated to commence the construction of the vessels.

A New Party Born.

At the conference of populist leaders held at St. Louis a new political party was born. It was christened "The People's Party." The people's party proposes to go it alone. It has severed connection with the national populist committee, and made all arrangements for administering its own estate without the aid or advice of any outside party.

New Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed Thursday for Alabama: D. J. Bloodworth, Cowart, Henry county; Daniel W. Morton, Fayette, Fayette county.

FAVORS ITALIAN REPUBLIC.

Co-Existence of the Vatican and Monarchy Impossible

POPE'S ALLOCUTION FORMS THE BASIS

Of an Article Which Declares That There Can Be No Peace With a King—Decree Has Produced a Profound Sensation in All Circles.

The Rome correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle in a startling statement quotes largely from an article in Civilta Cattolica which he declares is directly inspired by the vatican and the pope advocating as the solution of the eternal question between the vatican and the quirinal the establishment of an Italian republic.

The article, which is based on the pope's Christmas allocution, declares that the thing which stands opposed to papal independence is not Italian unity but "the special and concrete form wherein that unity is at present maintained with results much more disastrous to the state than to the holy see."

It proceeds to assert that the co-existence of the vatican and the Italian monarchy is responsible, and that one or the other must go. It then suggests the constitutions of Switzerland and America as examples of "admirable and glorious constitutions, true unities of nation and state, though differing from that of Italy, which has produced nothing but weakness, misery and starvation."

The article concludes:

"Without the aid of foreign bayonets the true Italy will find for itself its own way and will rise again, let us hope, from the ignominy in which it now lies prostrate to true greatness."

The Daily Chronicle's correspondent asserts that that this is "an intentional revelation to the outer world of the policy actuating the inner mind of Cardinal Rampolla," the secretary of state. He adds:

"Probably there would be no truth in the supposition that either Cardinal Rampolla or the pope had any idea of even a temporary alliance with the republican party, but yet they believe that, while peace with the king is impossible, it might be possible with a republic. The reason for the appearance of this astounding pronouncement at the present moment is the belief that not only the ministry, but the dynasty itself is menaced more seriously than usual."

TO UNITE ALL FACTIONS.

Silver Leaders Will Endeavor to Work in Union for the Fight in '98.

As a result of conferences held in Washington in the last few days between the silver leaders of the various parties, it is understood that Chairman Jones, of the national democratic committee, Chairman Butler, of the populist national committee, and Chairman Towne, of the silver national republican committee, will issue a joint manifesto the early part of next week with a view to securing common action by the three organizations in the contest of 1898. The document is now in the course of preparation. It will appeal to all those interested in the cause of silver to work in union.

Wreck on the Mobile and Ohio.

Southbound freight train, No. 13, on the Mobile and Ohio, was wrecked about twenty-five miles north of Meridian Thursday night. As a result the negro fireman, Guy Claiborne, is dead, a white brakeman, Will Cunningham, is, it is thought, fatally wounded, and Engineer Charles Connell is badly hurt. The train crashed into an open switch and struck a train of cars on the side track.

Blanco Threatened.

Passengers who have arrived at Key West from Havana report that Captain-General Blanco has been threatened with an attack by a mob, and is mobilizing his loyal forces to be ready for any such demonstration. Most of the newspapers have been compelled to suspend publication, and those that are published are compelled to have their matter examined before using it.

Knoxville Elects a Republican Mayor.

Captain William Rule, a republican, has been elected mayor of Knoxville, Tenn. The republicans also elected the chairman of the board of public works, but lacked one of getting a majority of the board of aldermen. The democrats had two tickets in the field, which caused their defeat. The entire city government will change hands.

General Delgado Killed.

A dispatch received from Spanish sources in Pinar del Rio says that the insurgent brigadier, Gen. Parico Delgado, has been killed by his followers, and that his own staff, including Lopez Marin, has surrendered to the Spanish authorities.

ALABAMA NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

Will Not Grant License.

The contest case over the application for license to sell liquor at Greenbrier in the southern portion of Limestone county has been decided by Judge Horton against the application for license.

A Novel Suit.

Ex-Convict H. C. Hervey has brougt suit against the Sloss Iron & Steel Company, at Birmingham for $1,000 damages, claiming as the basis of his suit that he was unlawfully forced to work on Sundays and holidays.

Alabama Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed for Alabama Friday: John C. Tompkins, Bellgreen, Franklin county; A. H. Black, Hope Hull, Montgomery county; Joseph Schronberg, Scott Station, Perry county: Alexander White, White Hall, Lowndes county.

Two Tramps Killed.

Fast freight train No. 21, northbound, on the Alabama Midland of the Plant system was derailed Friday at or near Snowdoun, ten miles south of Montgomery. Two white tramps, whose names are not known, were killed and fourteen cars badly torn up. There was a general shaking up, but no other serious damage was done.

Election at Fruithurst.

At the municipal election held at Fauithurst Mr. J. A. Westerlund, the founder of the Scandinavian colony was elected mayor. Mr. Westerlund is at the head of an extensive immigration agency, and in consequence it is considered that his election will result in material augmentation of Northern energy and capital to the already prosperous condition of Fruithurst.

Boy Accidentally Killed.

At Stanton, Chilton county, Claude Jeffcoat was accidentally shot and killed by his companion, Manly Weaver, while out hunting one day last week. They were going through a field when a covey of birds flew up. Young Weaver had the gun and as he started to shoot Claude Jeffcoat took hold of the gun with his left hand on the muzzle and saying, "it is my time to shoot," made an effort to take the gun, when the hammer fell, the charge of shot taking effect in Jeffcoat's side.

Another Fruit Colony.

A deal has been closed by which Alabama will secure another fruit colony. The persons behind the enterprise are Chicagoans with ample capital, and a determination to make a success of their undertaking. The syndicate has purchased 30,000 acres of fine land in Morgan county on the line of the Louisville and Nashville railroad and will cut it up into small farms, as has been done at Fruithurst and Thorsby. The new settlement or colony will be called Vinemount. A number of substantial Illinois families are already arranging to remove to the colony.

Talks of the Farmers' Convention.

Major Culver, commissioner of agriculture, ascribes the small attendance to the state farmers' convention at Montgomery to hard times very largely. He says he has hundreds of letters from persons in all parts of the state expressing their heartiest sympathy in the movement, in fact, declaring their enthusiastic interest in it, but saying that, not having got any money out of the sale of their 5-cent cotton, they could not afford to make the trip. Major Culver is confident the small beginning will eventually develop a great society which will accomplish an abundance of good for the state.

Improvement of the Tennessee.

In an interview with Col. Harvey Lewis, superintendent of the American Oak Extract Company of Decatur, in reference to the Tennessee river convention at Chattanooga last week, he said:

"In my opinion congress will allow the $2,000,000 for the improvement of the Tennessee. If this amount were spent on improving the river it would be navigable the year round, and would be worth more to Decatur than forty railroads. In order to put the river in a navigable condition the year round it will be necessary to put in a system of slack-water navigation. Nature has given us one of the most beautiful and useful rivers in the United States, and by the aid of man it can be made one of the greatest commercial rivers in the land."

A Novel Scheme.

Among the novel cotton schemes proposed to Hon. H. D. Lane, president of the American Cotton Growers' Protective association, within the past few days, is the following from a Louisiana planter:

"Plant enough land in cotton to grow one-half the number of bales grown last year and devote the difference in acreage to food and hay crops. Buy for future delivery one-half the number of bales grown last year and the profit on the future deal will make the half crop of spot cotton worth as much as was the large crop of last year."

The Situation Is Not So Bad.

The report of Major Rucker, who was sent to Dyea recently for the purpose of reconnoitering the ground preparatory to starting the government relief expedition and interviewing persons coming from Dawson on the need of relief, has been received at Seattle, Wash., and forwarded to Brigadier General Merriam at Vancouver barracks. While the exact tenor of the report is not known, it is stated that it discouraged any unnecessary expenditure of energy and money in carrying out the proposed expedition.

Mr. Lane thinks the scheme is a good one, and that it can be worked successfully under certain conditions.

Big Enterprise at Muscle Shoals.

One of the most important industrial movements ever inaugurated in Alabama culminated in the organization at Sheffield the past week of the Muscle Shoals Power Company, under a charter granted by the state. The object of the organization is to develop the great power at Muscle Shoals, ten miles above Sheffield. An immense electrical plant, costing half a million dollars, will be erected, and power, light and heat will be transmitted to the adjacent towns within a radius of seventy-five miles. Ample capital for carrying the work to a successful end has been guaranteed, and there is no doubt about the great enterprise going through. New York and Baltimore capitalists, after thoroughly investigating the matter, have pledged themselves to furnish the necessary funds. Within the next twelve months the Muscle Shoals Power Company will be able to furnish power for turning every wheel in every factory and shop in the Tennessee valley.

LARGE CATTLE TRADE.

Thousands of Head Shipped to the West for Fattening Purposes.

Three train loads of Alabama cattle left Birminghim last Friday over the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad for points in Indian Territory and Kansas. These will be the last shipments of live stock from this state to the western pastures for fattening purposes this season, as the cattle quarantine went into effect on the 15th inst.

The business of shipping Alabama cattle to the west has been a big one since November. It is estimated that between 40,000 and 50,000 head have left the state this winter. Alabama has been fairly drained of its young beef. The reason for this extraordinary shipment lies in the fact of the duty on Mexican and Central American cattle, which was fixed by the Dingley bill at $3 per head on the average. At this price the cattle feeders found it more profitable to buy at home than to bring cattle across the border. Alabama has received the benefit. The cattle have been gathered by brokers at central points, especially in such North Alabama cities and towns as Birmingham, Huntsville, Gadsden, Athens, Collinsville and the Decaturs, and shipped by the train load to Kansas, Missouri and Indian Territory to be fattened for slaughter by the big packing houses.

THE ALABAMA AND TOMBIGBEE.

Articles of Incorporation For the New Road Filed.

The organization of the Alabama and Tombigbee Railroad Company has been completed by the filing with the secretary of state of all the final papers and the issuing of the certificate of incorporation. This railroad is to extend from Lower Peachtree, in Wilcox county, to Coffeeville, in Clarke county, a distance of about forty miles. The incorporators and owners are the gentlemen who compose the Scotch Lumber Company at Fulton. This means a great deal for the development of that part of the State of Alabama. The capital stock is paid in full in cash. Much of the right of way is already secured, and a few miles of the road have been graded and track laid. It connects with the Mobile and Birmingham railroad at Fulton.

CONDENSED STATE ITEMS.

Birmingham's total cotton receipts up to January 13 have been 88,214 bales.

The house of Stephen Carter, a negro, near Greensboro, was destroyed by fire. Three small children perished in the flames.

Arguments in the Crowe-Underwood contested election case from the Ninth district was heard before election committee No. 1 Friday.

The machinery of the Alabama Kaolin company at Fort Payne is expected next week. The company will employ from 125 to 150 hands.

The saw mills of Baldwin county are unable to supply the demand for building material. Over 500 houses will be built in the county this winter.

Free Coinage Bill Introduced.

Representative Bland Thursday introduced a free coinage bill in the lower house of congress. It makes gold the standard and declares all rules discriminating against the legal tender of such coinage unlawful.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

They Are Mighty Good Things to Have,

And the O d-Fashioned Girl Had Them But Alas! for The Changes Time Has Wrought.

BY SAMUEL MINTURN PECK.

Accomplishments are very desirable possessions. Everybody should have at least one. How any human being can sit down contentedly and be an ordinary person is past my comprehension. But the number of talents hidden away in napkins is sad to think. When I see one of the napkin people, who go about sighing for accomplishments which they are too lazy to acquire, I feel like giving them a shake.

I once knew a man who had a most singular accomplishment. He could sit quite still without apparently moving a muscle, and wiggle his ears, first one ear, then the other, and then both together. When he wished to attract any ones attention, or give additional point to a jest, he found it much more original to wink his ear than his eye. If any one whistled a tune this man could keep perfect time to it with his ear. He couldn't turn a tune himself, yet he unquestionably had an ear for music. It was a beautiful sight to see him gracefully beating time with his ears to "White Wings" or "When the Robins Nest Again."

Some people may think this man's queer accomplishment a very silly one, and one, perhaps, to be ashamed of. But I do not think so It certainly gave great enjoyment to many people and shed much sunlight on the paths of his fellow beings. Besides he himself took sincere pleasure in exhibiting his singular gift.

He told me that he discovered accidentally, when a boy, that he could wiggle one of his ears, and finding himself thus endowed with an unusual talent he determined not to hide its light under a bushel, but to cultivate his rare endowment to its highest degree. His success I have narrated. He also informed me that he had found his accomplishment charmingly useful even in solitude. For instance, when a fly came buzzing around all that he had to do was to wiggle his ear and the astonished insect soon disappeared. In mosquito time his auricular accomplishment was invaluable.

Accomplishments are truly much to be desired: but much time and patience are necessary for their acquisition, and yet how many people after they have acquired them, suffer them to rust and disappear with disuse! This is quite sad to see. It is the fate of roses and dimples and shining tresses to fade before the scythe of Time. This is inevitable. But accomplishments can and should last a lifetime. I once knew a dear old lady who thought so. She lived in southwestern Alabama. She had been a beauty and a belle in her day and when I saw her at three score and ten she was quaintly charming still. She made one think of patches, puffs and powder and all the fashions and graces of a by gone day, when beauties danced the minuet and scented their bowers with potpourri.

The illusion was quite complete when she sat down at the piano, at three score and ten, mind you, and played "Speed and Plough" with wonderful brilliancy and a dozen variations. That was, indeed, something to have listened to.

Yet the loveliest time of all was when she cleared her little old throat and rendered the fashionable songs of sixty years ago. I remember one of them was called the "Camel Drivers Song" and had in it many bells and much tinkling. Another one began:

"What fairy like music steals o'er the sea."

Still another ran thus:

"I'd be a butterfly born in a bower,
Where roses and lilies and violets meet;
Roving forever from flower to flower
And kissing all buds that are pretty and sweet."

But the dear old lady did not confine her vocal songs entirely to the songs of Haynes Bayley and Tom Moore. Oh, no indeed! She sang modern ballads too. I shall never forget how she used to sing:

"We parted by the river side
And the moon looked down on you and me."

She had been three times married, and was a widow with great grand children when she sang the foregoing sentimental song. I used to wonder which one of her three dead spouses she was thinking of "by the river side." Perhaps it was none of the three, but some fourth hapless swain whose heart she had lacerated half a century ago.

This accomplished old lady was still alive when I heard last—still alive and a shining example to the belles of today; and if she is still living, I am sure she is still singing. If she keeps up her record she will die with a song upon her dear old lips, and perhaps it will be:

"What fairy like music steals o'er the sea!"

The value of an accomplishment is well exemplified in the case of Mrs. Alice Shaw of Detroit. This accomplished woman has forever destroyed the verity of the well known adage.

"Whistling girls and crowing hens,
Always come to some bad end."

Mrs Shaw discovered by accident that she had a turn for whistling. Being a woman of determination as well as originality, she resolved to cultivate her talent. She was more encouraged to do so by observing that the act of whistling gave a very pouting and pretty expession to her mouth. Women always think of such things.

At first, Mrs Shaw whistled only for her most intimate friends. By and by so skillful did she become in her dainty and novel art that she was invited everywhere and made to whistle for her supper at the houses of the leaders of society. It is well-known that society leaders are the greatest "dead beats" on the globe.

Becoming still more an adept in her tunefully sibilant roulades and arpeggios, Mrs. Shaw thought that she ought to receive something more than her supper, and being a woman of spirit she determined to have it. Shaking the unprofitable dust of Detroit from her wee and winsome feet, and bracing her courage to the puckering point she went to New York, whistled at concerts with a piano accompaniment, and took the town by storm. She soon had more engagements offered than she could possibly fill, even if she had had a dozen pairs of lips instead of one. After a time she sailed for London and repeated there her New York successes, was feted by all the nobility, and was requested by the prince of Wales, at an entertainment, to whistle the popular waltz, "My Queen," which she did with the most astonishiug variations.

Accomplishments are charming possessions, even when one does not exhibit them for pecuniary returns. I did not mention Mrs. Shaws career for the purpose of inciting all the married women to whistle, but only to show what may be done with an apparently trifling talent when cultivated with patience and determination.

Alas! I am afflicted with a suspicion that accomplishments are on the decline among the fair sex. I would that I could banish the distressing idea but I cannot. How many girls of my acquaintance can perform a piece of even moderate difficulty neatly on the piano? How many can sing even a simple ballad with taste and feeling? How many can speak or read the French or German language with any degree of ease? How many can sketch from nature? How many can write a bright and graceful letter?—Dear me! I am very sorry I put the last question. It recalls a pathetic orthographical error which came to my knowledge a few days ago. Dear reader, come mingle your tears with mine.

A charming society girl wrote a letter to a young man. In her letter she said that she would like to have his taste and advice in a certain matter in which she was much interested. She declared that she hesitated to ask such a favor of him, and would not have done so if she had not have known he we was such a "connersure" (connoisseur). Of course the young man complied. An enchantresss who wielded such a "spell" must be obeyed.

Yes, I very much fear that accomplishments are on the decline. Or if not, they have certainly changed their anatomical location in lovely woman. Doubtless that is a better way to express the mournful truth. The peerless oldfashioned girl was accomplished at all points. The new fashioned girl has become a specialist. She confines her accomplishments to her feet. For instance, instead of having French at the tip of her tongue, she prefers to have it in the heel of her dainty slipper; and in the place of reading German she dances it. But she is very charming in spite of her decadence—especially to gaze upon. Indeed, so lovely is she in this regard, that if she could only be "seen and not heard," as little children are sometimes told to be, she would be almost perfect. As she is—alas! one sighs over her neglected capabilities.

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Some pretty dresses have been made in the Dressmaking department this month.

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Mr. Gibson has borrowed the "News" phonograph—guess he wants it to sing the baby to sleep.

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You just ought to hear some of Mrs. Hudson's girls telegraph—Kitty had better look to his laurels.

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Miss Marie Pearce came back to school Monday from Oxford, where she went to see her brother who was ill.

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The latest arrivals at the college are Miss Maxie Snow, of Oxford, and Miss Mary Jones and Miss Lena Young of Weavers.

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Some of the girls have been weeping bitterly for the past week—that handsome editor who was lately with the News has gone.

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Miss Fitts rejoices over the addition to her class room of an elegant new globe, and Miss Kennedy, a case of beautiful wall maps.

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Many young ladies in the Typewriting department have become adepts in the art and can play any kind of a tune on a typewriter.

THE GARRETT CLATTER.

I dont hear the young folks patter
Like they used to long ago
Up the stairs to raise a clatter
Underneath the rafters low.
What's the reason things is stille,
Since the young folks went away
John an' Joe an' sweet Permiller?
Looks as if they'd gone to stay.

Wife, there hain't no sunshine gushin'
In the way it used to come;
'T only seems as if the pushin'
Shadders was a-comin' hum.
Sorter quietlike an' dreary,
Only us two here alone:
Jist the days seem draggin' weary
Like a long and dismal moan.

In the garrett things is quiet,
Mice and spiders has their way,
Where the youngsters used to riot
In their childish pranks an' play.
Sweet Permiller used to tag 'em,
Joe and John in corners dark,
An' the maiden used to fag 'em,
Tire 'em out an' raise a lark.

When the bumblebees was droonin'
An' the flowers was in bloom,
An' the lilac bush was groanin'
With the scent of its perfume,
Then the young folks used to patter
Up the stairs a long-ago—
Up the stairs to raise a clatter
Underneath the rafters low.

Seems to me I'm sometimes dreamin'
Of the things that used to be,
Till the old life comes a-streamin'
Back ag'in to you an' me.
Then I hear the young folks patter
Up the stairs they used to go,
There to raise a garrett clatter
Underneath the rafters low.

—Waverley Magazin

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Says the New York Times:—A contemporary states that it is safer to be a convicted murderer in the United States than an innocent man, and submits these data as proof: Not one convicted murderer in fifty is hanged or killed by electricity; of the men lynched a much larger proportion than 1 in 50 was innocent. We have no means at hand for verifying these figures, nor are we able to determine what proportion of the population are convicted murderers or what proportion are unjustly executed. The conclusion, merely from casual observation, seems plausible; the logic is sound. Still, if it be not too optimistic, we should like some more data to guide us."

After all, schools are the greatest civilizers, exclaims the New York Mail and Express. Secretary Bliss, of the Interior Department, reports 26,000 Indian children enrolled in the schools last year. Tribal relations are being broken up and Indian lands divided into severalty. The aborigine, however, has not yet been educated up to the point of holding on to the land, and as a consequence it soon passes into the hands of his white brothers, notwithstanding the paternal restrictions thrown round him by the government. The Indian has not yet learned the necessity of promptly meeting taxes, and owing to his failure to come to time with respect to this exaction, a considerable amount of his lands, in Minnesota, passed from him last year. Until our red brother learns that taxes are as certain as that other certain thing, death, he should have some special provision in law for his protection.

One of the really valuable products of the Government Printing Office at Washington is the annual report which George F. Kunz renders on the yield of precious stones in the United States, declares the New York Sun. Mr. Kunz's expert knowledge in this specialty has been for years at the service of the United States Geological Survey, and thus becomes part of official literature. The report for 1896, just published, contains a table of values as represented by the various gems discovered in the United States during the year. It is interesting to observe how the values are apportioned Here are a few items:

Turquoise	$40,000
Sapphire	10,000
Gold quartz	10,000
Tourmaline	3,000
Garnet	2,500
Ruby	1,000
Amethyst	500
Topaz	200
Opal	200
Emerald	None
Diamond	None

The list includes many precious minerals which would not strictly be classed as gems, and the total value assigned is a little under $100,000. The prominence of the turquoise in the American list is recent, the yield being large in Arizona and New Mexico.

A BRIEF RESUME OF STATE NEWS.

Big Trade in Coal With the Planters of Louisiana---President Culver Appoints His Committee for the Alabama State Agricultural Society---New Code for Alabama to Go Into Effect---Indian Head Cotton Mills Put in Operation---Desperate Attempt of a Burglar---A Wild Man.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

President Culver Has Made His Appointments.

The Alabama State Agricultural Society is perfecting itself, and will soon be a power in the state for the good of the farmers and land owners.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, as president of the agricultural society, has appointed the following executive committee:

First district—Hon. Mims Walker, of Marengo, and J. R. Cowan, of Clarke.

Second district—M. B. Houghton, of Montgomery, and John T. Dale, of Wilcox.

Third district—C. H. Franklin, of Bullock, and John B. Ward, of Henry.

Fourth district—John F. Burns, of Dallas, and J. M. Thornton, of Talladega.

Fifth district—J. H. Harris, of Chambers, and W. W. Walden, of Coosa.

Sixth district—C. P. Mills, of Sumter, and N. N. Clements, of Tuskaloosa.

Seventh district—J. J. Mitchell, of Lauderdale, and J. P. Hampton, of Madison.

Ninth district—Sam Will John, of Jefferson, and W. C. Tunstall, of Hale.

NEW CODE OF ALABAMA.

Gov. Jhonston Issues a Proclamation for It to Go Into Effect February 17.

Governor Johnston Friday issued a proclamation under the terms of which the new code of Alabama goes into effect on Feb. 17. The code is now being distributed to the judicial and other officers entitled to it.

The new code is believed to be an exceedingly satisfactory compilation of the laws of the state. It was prepared by former Attorney-General Wm. L. Martin, Judge A. D. Sayre and Hon. P. C. Massie, all of Montgomery. These gentlemen have spent a large part of the past two years in perfecting the compilation and arrangement of the laws and have given especial attention to the preparation of a satisfactory index, a feature in which the old code is sadly lacking.

The new volume is larger than the old by reason of the fact that the state has more laws than it had ten years ago.

Indian Cotton Mill in Operation.

The big Indian Head cotton mills at Cordova was put in operation Monday. In the amount of floor space these mills are larger than the Avondale mills at Birmingham, but the number of spindles is somewhat smaller, being 25,000. One thousand looms are in the mills. These mills will use 10,000 bales of cotton a year. The plant has been constructed by a number of Eastern capitalists and so assured are they of its success that they will soon begin work on another cotton mill equally as large as the one just completed. The principal product of the Indian Head mills will be heavy sheetings and almost the entire output will be shipped to China.

Good Roads Convention.

It is expected that there will be more than three hundred delegates in attendance at the good roads convention to be held in Annniston on February 16. Already a number of counties have appointed delegates. The anniversary carnival and trades' display, to be held on the same day, will be the biggest thing of the kind ever attempted in that city. Sixty business houses have consented to have floats in the parade.

New Police Commissioners.

Governor Johnston has appointed Ex-Mayor David J. Fox and Ex Alderman John M. McCartin, police commissioner of the city of Birmingham, who will fill the vacancies on the board caused by the expiration of the terms of Colonel A. H. Stevens and M. C. Reynolds, whose incumbency was at an end on December 31 1897.

Shot in the Back.

James Bald, a mine boss at Ishkooda, Jefferson county, was shot in the back Friday and is in a critical condition and may not live. The shooting was done by Frank Simmons, a 19-year-old white youth. What led up to the shooting is not known and there seems to be some mystery connected with the affair. It is stated that young Simmons walked into the mine office, where Mr. Bald was at work on a tally sheet. The two had some words, the substance of which is unknown, and Simmons drew a revolver and shot Bald in the back. As soon as the shot was fired Simmons fled, and has thus far succeeded in eluding capture.

GOLD BONDS ISSUED

By the Avondale Cotton Mills at Birmingham—Will Start in May.

The stockholdors of the Avondale Cotton Mills, Birmingham's new half million dollar enterprise, at a meeting held Friday afternoon, authorized the issuance of $100,000 6 per cent. five year gold bonds. The entire issue was at once taken by Major J. M. Lewis. The treasurer was also instructed to sell off $100,000 more if in stock, at not less than par and $10,000 if it was taken on the spot by one individual. The remainder will be disposed of in a very few days. When this is done $500,000 of stock and bonds will be outstanding. The affairs of the company, which is controlled by Birmingham and Eastern capitalists, were found to be in excellent shape. The mills, which will be among the largest in the South, are almost complete, and will begin operation May 1. Their output has already been sold for several months ahead.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The boiler works at Sheffield are in active operation.

Morris Franklin, city sexton of Montgomery, died the past week.

Jefferson alias Jack Knight was hanged at Mobile Friday for the murder of Frank Dantzler.

Work is well advanced on the Mobile and Ohio bridge over the Alabama river at Montgomery.

Andrew Nixon, colored, while coupling cars at Montgomery, fell and was ground to death under the wheels.

The Central Alabama stock show, a Selma institution, has been wound up, and 37 per cent refunded to subscribers.

The date for the hearing of the contested election case of Goodwyn vs. Brewer, Fifth district, has been set for February 9.

James Bald, a clerk in the commissary at Smith's Mines, Jefferson county, was fatally shot by Charley Simmons last Friday.

L. J. Fuller has been convicted of the murder of Thomas Henry, at Fruithurst in 1895, and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary.

J. Sternfield, an attorney of prominence and ability, of Montgomery, has been appointed district attorney for the middle district of Alabama.

Anthony Stribbling, the engineer who was fatally hurt in a wreck on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad last week, died from the effects of his injuries.

Desperate Attempt of a Burglar.

An attempted murder took place Saturday night at Stockton mines, near Coalburg. Two negroes broke into the house of Frank McNamara, a well known mine contractor, for the purpose of robbery. While they were in the midst of their search Mr. McNamara returned to the room and discovered them in the act. As he entered the door he was shot by one of the desperate characters with a 44-calibre pistol, the ball taking effect in the abdomen and inflicting a dangerous wound, which it is thought will prove fatal. The negroes secured $300 and immediately fled.

Failed to Appear.

Three cases against Oscar W. Cowan, at Birmingham, charging embezzlement and grand larceny, were set for trial, but the defendant failed to answer and a forfeiture was issued against his bondsmen. Cowan is under a $300 bond in each case.

Laying Off Vinemount Colony.

Engineer Rivers Carter is busy laying off the land for Vinemount colony near Cullman. The task will occupy about six months. A portion of the land is being divided into town lots, while much of it will be reserved for vineyards and fruit farms.

Plowman Loses His Seat.

Elections committee No. 3 met Friday and decided to report to the house a resolution seating Aldrich and unseating Plowman as the duly elected representative from the Fourth Alabama district. The vote in the committee was strictly a party one, the democrats voting to allow Plowman to retain his seat and the republicans in favor of the resolution seating Aldrich. The committee will make a report in about three weeks.

A New Health Resort.

Chicago capitalists have begun work on a big sanitarium at Pinnacle, Ala., on the top of Sand Mountain near Cullman.

BIG TRADE IN COAL

Is Being Worked Up by Alabama Operators With Louisiana Planters.

The shipment of Alabama coal down the Mississippi river for consumption on Louisiana plantations is about to begin again on a large scale. The first tow of the new year consisting of 6,000 tons will move southward from Greenville, Miss., the western terminus of the Southern railway, next week. The coal is from the Walker county mines and is now being loaded on the barges at Greenville. The Southern railway has recently completed splendid facilities for handling coal at Greenville and loading it on the barges, and it is expected that a large business will be done in the movement of the Alabama black diamond this winter. Heavy orders are coming in from the Louisiana sugar planters and towns along the river and the outlook is for a big trade. Pittsburg operators are also moving a large amount of coal down the Mississippi, but with the improved facilities at their command and lower freight rates which have been granted, the Alabama producers feel able to share very largely in the river trade. Alabama's river shipments this winter and spring will it is figured be about 150,000 tons.

Committee Meeting Changed.

Chairman Knox, of the state democratic executive committee has issued the following: "Inasmuch as a conflict in the date designated for the meeting of the state democratic executive committee, and as the date fixed for mardi gras at Mobile and Birmingham will prevent some members from being present, the time of the meeting of said committee is hereby changed from February 22, 1898, to February 15, 1898. Members of the committee will please take notice of this change."

Suicide at Steele.

James Hood, a young man of Steele, committed suicide Saturday morning by shooting himself through the heart in his room. He was in town early and in the best of spirits. On his way home he had some words with an Alabama Great Southern railroad section hand and knocked the negro down. He thought he had killed the negro and went directly home and shot himself through the heart.

Forbids Increase of Rates.

The state railroad commission of Alabama has issued an order forbidding the railroads to increase the local freight rates 4 per cent per 100 in less-than-carload-lots, as has been attempted by several lines recently. The rates on carloads and less than carloads in Alabama thus remain the same, which is a big victory for Alabama jobbing interests.

Mysterious Wild Man.

A mysterious wild man has caused a great deal of excitement among the residents of the northern part of Huntsville. The man is an old one, and generally goes about in his shirt sleeves. A party of young men were held up by the wild man and chased for some distance Thursday night. He carried a large pistol.

Two Cruisers for Mobile.

Representatives Taylor and Underwood called at the navy yard and requested that several war vessels be sent to Mobile next month to take part in the mardi gras festivities. Secretary Long has promised that two cruisers from the white squadron now in southern waters shall be ordered to Mobile.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

M. Ernest Bazin, the inventor of the roller steamer, died in Paris.

The Citizens bank of New Louisville, Ark., closed its doors Friday.

Hon. Allen D. Candler will be a candidate for governor of Georgia.

It is estimated that one case of smallpox at Elberton, Ga., cost the town $2,500.

Dr. William A. Love, one of the foremost Masons in the United States, and one of the oldest and best known physicians in the south, died at his residence in Atlanta last week, aged 74.

The Indian Head Cotton Mill company at Cordova, Ala., proposes to build 250 cottages. They are to be eight-room double cottages, and will be rented at 85 cents a room a month.

Senator Finck's bill to gerrymander the congressional districts of Ohio was introduced Friday before adjournment. The purpose of the bill is to legislate Congressman Grosvenor out of office and put a democrat in his place.

G. H. Smith, the Nominee.

G. H. Smith defeated W. P. Gladdis for the nomination of mayor of Wetumpka by nineteen votes.

Ninety-Nine-Year Sentence.

At Selma Jonas Bates has been convicted of the murder of H. C. Randall and sentenced to ninety-nine years in the penitentiary.

Rice Farming.

Over 2,500 bushels of upland rice was shipped in one day of last week from Daphne. It brought 90 cents a bushel. The farmers about Daphne will cultivate a larger acreage this season.

To Erect a Large Saw Mill.

Messrs. Hunnicut & Neil have leased a place at Centreville for the location of a saw mill, all the necessary arrangements having been made, and they propose to have a $30,000 plant erected and ready for business by the time the first schedule train on the Mobile & Ohio reaches that place.

Donations for State Normal Schools.

Superintendent of Education Turner says he has received up to date $2,336 of the Slater fund and $3,050 of the Peabody fund as donations to the state normal schools. These amounts are about half the respective sums annually appropriated to the schools of Alabama, and it is expected the remaining half will be sent in within a short time.

Debt Caused a Killing.

A personal altercation between D. P. Vickory, lawyer, and Dr. J. C. Taylor occurred at Haleyville Monday in which the former was shot and killed. Vickory was indebted to Taylor and Taylor attacked Vickory on last Saturday. Monday the latter came to town to seek revenge, and when they met a fight with pistols ensued, in which Vickory was shot and instantly killed.

Three Stills Raided.

Deputy Collector W. C. Hanlin has reported the raiding of the following stills during the past week: Three miles south of Edwardsville, one fifty-gallon copper still, five fermenters and one flake stand; four miles west of Oak Level, one fifty-gallon still, 1,000 gallons of beer, seven fermenters and one flake stand; four miles south of Oak Level, one fifty-gallon still.

Miss Martin Killed Near East Lake.

In a runaway on the highway four and a half miles above East Lake, Sunday evening Miss Melissa Martin was killed and Miss Hattie Chamblee painfully but not seriously injured. A horse attached to a carriage took fright from the carriage pressing on him as he was going down a hill and ran away. The two ladies leaped out, Miss Martin striking on her head, who received wounds from which she died a few minutes after.

TO DEVELOP COAL LANDS.

A Tract of 5,000 Acres Near Hanceville Will be Tapped by the L. & N.

Messrs. Robert Stevens and associates, of Birmingham, are going to make some extensive mine developments in Blount county.

It is stated that a corps of engineers left Birmingham this week for Hanceville, where it is said Stevens and associates contemplate opening up extensive mines. The new company, which is to be organized at once, will build a branch line of road from a point one mile south of Hanceville, on the Louisville & Nashville railroad, to a point twelve miles in a westerly direction. Here, it is said, the syndicate has bought or obtained options on four to five thousand acres of coal land. The seam is about four and a half feet thick, and the coal found is of the very best domestic kind. This property is to be extensively developed by the new company.

May Build a Steel Plant.

It has been reported that English capitalists has about decided to invest a million dollars in a steel plant in the Birmingham district. Definite arrangements have not completed, but it is learned that the English syndicate, who had an agent in this district part of last spring looking at the resources of Alabama, has been so well satisfied with the report made by this agent that it has practically determined to erect a mammoth steel plant. It is stated that the agent of the syndicate gave the district a most enthusiastic indorsement for such a project.

Improved Cotton Seed.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver has received an immense quantity of the improved Truitt cotton seed from LaGrange, Ga., and within a few days will send two bushels to each probate judge in the state for distribution among the leading planters. The seed is a new variety to this section and possesses some good, productive qualities. It was also learned from the commissioner's office that the sale of fertilizer tags continues to decrease. This evidences a decrease in the cotton acreage for the year.

Judicious advertising pays.

CHAPTER IX.

Jason Garrison's intense excitement was occasioned by the perusal of a brief article in the evening paper, which announced that James Sanborn had died suddenly at his residence in Albany, at ten o'clock that very morning.

It was certainly something more than a mere coincidence, but James Sanborn was the man with whom Stuart Harland claimed to have had a business engagement on the night of the murder.

"I am saved! The death of James Sanborn renders the discovery I have dreaded scarcely probable. What a weight is lifted from my mind! Now, I will see Stuart, and we will come to an understanding," reflected the broker.

But it was too late to visit the prison that day, and so he was obliged to defer his call until morning.

At the earliest hour on the following morning at which he could gain an entrance to the prison the broker visited Stuart Harland.

The young man greeted his employer in a rather reserved manner, but he eagerly inquired as to how Edna had received the news of the misfortune which had so unexpectedly befallen him.

Garrison assured Harland of the faith and confidence of his betrothed, and then he said:

"I will not conceal from you, Stuart, that I understand why you persistently refused to explain the real motive of your midnight visit to Albany."

"I was aware that you could not be ignorant of the consideration by which I was actuated. I had determined to shield you from the deplorable consequences of an act of criminal folly. I cannot comprehend, however, how, if in the possession of your senses, you could have been guilty of such a deed. It seems to me that you must have known that, in the ordinary course of events, discovery was inevitable," replied Harland.

"I was driven to desperation. I was mad, if you will, and then, too, I counted upon redeeming the cheque, and squaring the matter by the payment of an extra thousand or so."

"So you relied upon making terms with James Sanborn. Where, may I ask, did you expect to procure the money?"

"You have heard me speak of my Colorado property? Very well; I have put it up for sale. My agent announced that I could rely on receiving the price for which he had agreed to sell it—$80,000 by the 23d instant."

"I begin to comprehend how you reasoned in the desperate extremity to which those scoundrels, Pratt and Weeks, had driven you, and yet I would never have deemed it possible that a business man like yourself would have resorted to such a desperate expedient as a forgery."

"Hush! Some one may hear us. I confess all, I forged James Sanborn's name to the cheque for $78,000," said Garrison, dropping his voice to a whisper.

"I knew that I had so perfectly imitated his signature that it would be impossible for any one except James Sanborn himself to detect it, and I think it probable he would not have suspected it had he seen the cheque, except for the fact that he would know he had not given paper for any such amount.

"I knew that Sanborn would not see the cheque until he called on his banker to balance his account when it would be returned to him. I was also aware that he seldom had his account balanced and his cheque turned in more than once a month. I believed I should have ample time to fix matters with him even if my remittance of the purchase money from the sale of the Colorado claim was delayed. Yesterday I received the news from my Western agent that the property in Colorado could not be disposed of now—that the proposed sale had fallen through."

"Then discovery is inevitable and you are lost. I am sufficiently well acquainted with James Sanborn's character to comprehend that he will exact restitution or place you in a criminal cell. When I visited Albany on the night of the murder I was on my way to see James Sanborn in your behalf. You know he is an old and devoted friend of our family. But let me explain how I discovered that the cheque for seventy-eight thousand was a forgery despite your conviction that it could not be detected. As you know I was James Sanborn's private secretary for a year, and consequently I am more familiar with his signature than any one I know of. I examined the forged cheque after John Oakburn received it from you, and my suspicion was aroused, but I was not sure, for as you have said the imitation of the signature was wonderfully perfect. But chance decided the doubt. Half an hour later I met John Sanborn in the street in company with a friend. We talked for a few moments and he mentioned that you had importuned him for a large loan, but he assured me that he had declined to advance you any money whatever. I was shocked and confused and the presence of Sanborn's friend prevented me from speaking then. I hastened back to our office determined to reveal my discovery to John Oakburn and prevent his presenting the forged check at the bank. But fate was against me. When I arrived at the office Oakburn was not there, and I was informed that he had gone to the bank. I started in pursuit of him but I did not overtake him as I hoped I should. On the contrary I met him returning with the money which he had received for the check. It would have been useless to tell Oakburn then, and so I held my peace. But I had resolved that Edna's father should not be disgraced, and I determined to see Sanborn and pledge my prospective fortune to pay the amount of the forged draft, and win his promise to keep the secret of your crime. I counted on Sanborn's friendship, and the fact that since he is a millionaire he could wait for his money without inconvenience. But I knew Sanborn was no longer in the city, for when I encountered him on the street he was on his way to the depot and he had said he should take the first train for home. The all important question then was, when would Sanborn see the forged check?

"It chanced that the cashier of the bank at which the cheque was cashed was an old friend of mine, and from him I succeeded in obtaining the information I desired while I concealed my purpose.

"To my consternation I learned that Mr. Sanborn had called at the bank that very day and left instruction to have his deposit book balanced and returned to him with cheques cashed to date by the first mail on the next morning. Then I knew that I must see Sanborn that very night. I determined to make the journey in secret so that no suspicion might be awakened in the mind of any one. By taking the 1:40 night train I knew that I could make the trip to Albany and return by ten next morning. As I was arrested the moment I left the train in Albany, I was unable to see Mr. Sanborn, and so all my efforts in your behalf have failed and I have placed myself in a false position which may prove most serious."

The young man thus concluded his explanation.

Then Garrison told him of James Sanborn's death.

"You are saved then after all, for no one can prove the cheque a forgery now. But I sincerely regret the death of my old friend. How uncertain human existence is," said Stuart.

"True; but Stuart, I cannot express my gratitude to you. I am a penitent man. The experience through which I have passed shall serve me as a lifelong lesson—one that will never be forgotten while I live," said Garrison.

"I will keep your secret inviolate, but the amount of the forged cheque shall some day be made good to James Sanborn's estate," said Stuart.

"It shall. If life is spared me, I will make restitution in full," answered Garrison, earnestly. "But you must hate and despise me," he added.

"No, that would be to do violence to our previous cordial relations. I pity you and regret this unfortunate affair. Money is but a mess of pottage weighed against honor. But I understand your temptation. You were seeking to protect your credit, which is all in all to a man of business."

Stuart understood Garrison's weak and cowardly nature, and he believed that he was sincere in all he said.

"Above all, I am thankful that Edna knows nothing of all this. Promise me, Stuart, she shall hear nothing from your lips in reference to the cheque," implored the broker.

"Your daughter would be the last one to whom I would think of revealing it," replied Stuart.

"I thank you again. But now let us consider your own situation. I shall send you a lawyer, and Paxton, the detive, who has affirmed his belief in your innocence from the very first, will call," said Garrison.

After that they conversed for some time.

Presently, when Garrison was about to leave the cell, he remarked: "Edna is very anxious to see you, and she would have insisted on accompanying me, had she known I was coming to call here. As I wished to see you alone, I did not inform her. However, you may expect her before the day is over."

That afternoon, Edna visited Stuart's cell, and, as may well be surmised, the meeting between the betrothed lovers was a most affectionate one.

But Edna could not understand why Stuart could so obstinately refuse to tell what was the motive of his midnight journey, when the explanation might have saved him, and there were certain circumstances of which others were ignorant that troubled her.

Stuart had promised to accompany her on an excursion by moonlight up the Hudson on the night of the murder, and they had planned to visit Stuart's aunt, who resided in Albany, and return on the following day.

Edna suspected a mystery, but she entertained not the slightest suspicion of the truth.

In common with most women who love sincerely, she was inclined to jealousy.

During the earnest conversation which ensued between the broker's daughter and her affianced, she approached the subject which troubled her.

"Surely you can trust me, Stuart, for you know I am devoted to you. Will you not tell me the truth? what was the cause of your midnight journey to Albany?"

Stuart was silent for a moment.

She noticed his hesitation, and the thoughts which were in her mind were clearly reflected on her beautiful, mobile features.

Stuart was quick to discern the shadow of doubt which had appeared upon the face of his betrothed, and he suspected its cause.

"I cannot tell you why I visited Albany. It is a secret of another," finally said.

The shadow on Edna's fair face deepened as she answered:

"I am disappointed. Even though you would not trust my dear father whom you know to be the soul of truth and honor, I believed you would confide in me."

"You do not doubt my innocence of the terrible crime?"

"Oh, no, no. It is not that. But your strange reticence troubles me."

"Ah," thought Stuart, with some bitterness, "the very act which I did to save her father, and the sacrifice for which I am paying the penalty now, has caused the woman I love to doubt me. But even had I not bound myself to keep the secret of her father's forgery, I could not blacken his reputation to his child, could not shatter her sublime faith in his truth and honor."

Edna departed still troubled by Stuart's refusal to tell her the secret of his midnight journey.

But while Harland was in prison, Marion Oakburn, the murdered cashier's daughter, was in doubt and trouble. She was working out the destiny which fate had ordained she should bring upon herself.

From the time when she had discovered Judith Kredge, the janitor's siste at her chamber door, Marion knew that she was in a position more cruelly trying than she believed could possibly have been the outgrowth of any series of episodes to which the fact of her father's murder and the attendant circumstances could have given birth.

Marion Oakburn feared Judith Kredge; there could be no doubting that.

But why did she experience this terror?

Only the guilty fear, it is said, and yet this noble girl was the last one at whom suspicion of wrong-doing of any kind would be directed, it seemed. But herein is the mystery, herein a complication so strange and inexplicable that we cannot fathom it, and which was destined long to perplex and puzzle Paxton, the detective, in the task of unraveling the mystery of John Oakburn's fate, which he had undertaken with all his heart.

On the evening following the murder Marion was closeted in her sleeping room. She had turned the key in the lock, and she believed the door was secured.

With trembling hands, she unlocked and opened a trunk, lifted out the tray, and removed the contents of the receptacle beneath it until the bottom of the trunk was reached, and a strange-looking pistol of large caliber which was concealed there was disclosed to her view.

Marion shuddered as her eyes rested upon the deadly weapon.

"I dread to touch it, and yet it must be gotten rid of," she muttered.

The next instant a startled cry escaped her lips as she felt a heavy hand on her shoulders, and through her mind darted the appalling thought:

"The secret is discovered! All is lost!"

CHAPTER X.

Marion Oakburn had not secured the door as she supposed she had done, and Judith Kredge, who seemed to have devoted herself to the task of spying upon the cashier's daughter, entered the room in a stealthy manner, and crept to Marion's side. She it was who placed her hand upon the shoulder of the girl as she stood gazing into the trunk where the strange-looking pistol lay.

Dropping the lid of the trunk with a crash, Marion wheeled about instantly as she felt the weight of Judith's hand.

"You here!" she cried excitedly, as she beheld the woman.

"Yes, and I saw the pistol at the bottom of that trunk."

"You saw it?"

"Yes, and it is not the first time. I saw you conceal it in your trunk on the night of your father's murder," answered Judith Kredge.

"Woman, what awful thought is in your mind?"

"You know well enough. You understood me when I told you you were in my power," replied the woman and then suddenly bending forward she hissed in Marion's ear:

"You killed your own father!"

This was Judith Kredge's terrible accusation.

Marion staggered to the couch with which the sleeping-room was provided and sank down upon it. But in a moment she started up again and confronted Judith Kredge with all the dignity of offended innocence.

"It is false! It is a lie; a base, a monstrous lie!" she cried.

Judith Kredge laughed mirthlessly.

"You see what evidence sent Stuart Harland to prison. How much stronger, how much more terrible is the evidence I can give against you," she said.

"Judith, you are doing me an awful wrong!"

"No, I saw you with my own eyes. I know you had just come from the office in which your father lay dead when you called at my room and pretended you were so much alarmed because your father had not come home."

"And you who know me can believe such an awful thing of me?"

"It matters not how well you may play your part, Miss Marion, I am not to be deceived. Girl, my evidence would hang you!"

Judith Kredge uttered the last words in a terrible voice.

"Do you mean to publicly accuse me?"

"That depends."

"Upon what? Speak plainly. Once and for all, you and I must clearly understand each other, Judith Kredge."

"If it was made worth my while I might keep your secret," answered Judith Kredge, and there was a cunning glance in her eyes.

"Ah, you mean that I must bribe you?"

"Put it that way if you like."

The two women gazed at each other in silence for a moment, and each was striving to read the other's most secret thought.

"Tell me your price," said Marion.

"You have three thousand dollars?"

"Yes, and that is all I have."

"Very well, then you can pay me no more. That amount will do," said Judith, with a malicious grin.

"And you would thus rob me—leave me penniless?"

"Yes, my fair lady. Ha, I want to see your pride have a fall. I'd like to see you feel what it is to want, as I have in my time. What are you? You are no better than I am. Work, work as I have done or—starve," hissed the vindictive creature in a harsh voice.

"You are an ungrateful wretch! A serpent to turn and sting the hand that has fed you. But you shall have your price. I'll not relinquish my purpose yet," Marion Oakburn answered resolutely.

Judith Kredge chuckled exultantly.

To herself she muttered half inaudibly:

"Three thousand dollars. Not a bad night's work. It was lucky that I happened to be awake and see her. She was honest when she said she only had three thousand dollars, which I knew to be the amount of a legacy she received. Now, who got the stolen money, I wonder. Ah, my dear brother Levi, you are keeping a secret from me, I think; we shall see whether you are more cunning than I am, or not."

One evening several days subsequently, after the remains of John Oakburn had been consigned to their last resting place and "the crime of the broker's office" had ceased to be the one exciting topic of conversation, Marion Oakburn received a call.

The visitor of the cashier's daughter was the old gentleman called Richard Stanmore.

The appearance of the aged stranger agitated Marion strangely, and she did not regain her composure until she had been in his presence for some moments.

In a few well-selected words Stanmore explained that he had taken a great interest in the mysterious murder of her father. He also asked a number of questions which Marion promptly answered.

Thus Stanmore obtained the information that Marion supposed her father to be worth a small fortune and that the money had been kept in his private safe which stood in the rear apartment of the broker's office, which it seemed the assassin had not opened.

This, we remember, was precisely the information she had given Jason Garrison.

Marion also in the course of the interview found occason to reiterate her conviction in terms most positive that Stuart Harland was entirely innocent of all knowledge of the terrible crime.

So very confident was she on this point that Stanmore thought:

"One would surmise that she has some proof of Harland's innocence which she does not care to reveal.

"Permit me to inquire, Miss Oakburn, if I can be of assistance to you in any way?" Stanmore asked, as the thought that she might be in need of financial help entered his mind.

"Thanks, I need no help at present, sir," answered Marion, and a flush of color stole into her pale cheeks.

"Pardon me. I was in former days your father's friend, and if at any time you should find yourself in need of a friend upon whose fidelity you could depend against all the world, call on Richard Stanmore," said the old gentleman, and he placed a card on which was written his address in Marion's hand.

Then bowing low, after the manner of the gallants of the olden time, he pressed the hand Marion had given him to his lips and took his departure.

Stanmore's features were unusually pale during the interview which had just ended, and a keen observer would have suspected he was fighting a battle with most powerful secret emotions which were struggling for the mastery.

Once out upon the street he reeled as though he was the victim of a sudden vertigo and muttered in a broken voice:

"Poor girl! Poor Marion! There is a mystery here that must be solved. Fates! How weak I am. The old spell came upon me. It was an ordeal, but it is past. How beautiful she is, but how troubled and haggard her lovely features are. Oh, Marion! Marion!"

When the cashier's daughter found herself alone after Stanmore's departure the agitation which she had repressed during the interview just concluded betrayed itself.

The excited girl trembled nervously.

"I feel that he is an honest man," she thought, "and I will trust him. Who can tell? The time may yet come when I shall be glad to remind him of the promise to befriend me in the hour of dire extremity."

Then she drew a locket from a chain about her neck, and, opening it, pressed to her lips a miniature which it contained.

"It was the glance of this strange gentleman's eye that unnerved me. I felt the same when I saw him in the office. His eyes are like those of poor Donald's. Yes, I feel that he is honorable and true," she said, and gazed lovingly upon the portrait in the locket.

Meanwhile, after leaving Marion, Richard Stanmore repaired to the office of Paxton, the detective.

At this hour the detective was seated at his office desk reading and pondering upon the contents of the letter which he had abstracted from the package of correspondence found in John Oakburn's safe.

The letter was rather a lengthy one, but one particular passage seemed to fasten Paxton's attention, and he read it carefully several times.

The passage which the detective was apparently endeavoring to impress upon his memory was as follows:

"The hour shall come, John Oakburn, when you will be sorry for the great wrong you have done me."

The letter was signed "Donald Wayburn."

Paxton had not been idle since the Coroner's inquest had ended. He had procured casts of the footprints which he had discovered under the rear window of Garrison's office, and he had instituted a diligent search for the stranger who had exchanged overcoats with Stuart Harland.

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He had placed Donald Wayburn's letter carefully in a safe where he kept important documents, when there came a rap at the office door.

Paxton a moment later saw Richard Stanmore, who opened the door as he bade him enter.

Of course the old gentleman was an entire stranger to the detective, but he received him very politely and invited him to be seated.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

MAMMA—"My darling, don't you think you've eaten enough?" Maude—"Me don't know. Me ain't dot a very bad tummickache yet."—Harper's Bazar.

NEW SOUTHERN INDUSTRIES.

Enterprises Reported in the Southern States in a Week.

Among the most important new industries reported by The Chattanooga Tradesman for the week ending January 22d are the following: The Booker Brick Company, capital $10,000, Newport News, Va.; brick works at Natchez, Miss.; an electric light and power plant at Elkin, N. C.; a flouring mill at Welker, Tenn.; an ice factory at Marion, Va.; the Interstate Land and Improvement Company, capital $100,000, at Macon, Ga.; the Southern Co-Operative Foundry Company, capital $20,000, at Rome, Ga.; plow works at Louisville, Ky., to cost $50,000; a roller covering factory at Columbus, Ga.; and a 100-barrel oil refinery at Sour Lake, Tex.

The R. Martin Sugar Company, capital $50,000, has been chartered at St. Martinville, La., and a sugar refinery to cost $150,000 will be erected at Mansfield, La. The Sprager Tobacco Company, capital $90,000, has been incorporated at Mount Airy, N. C.; the L. E. Everitt Lumber Company, capital $100,000, at Washington, N. C., and the Booker-Poarch Company, capital $10,000, to manufacture sash, doors and blinds, at Newport News, Va.

Other woodworking plants will be established at Cookeville and Linden, Tenn.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.

Governor Griggs, of New Jersey, Nominated for Attorney-General.

The president has sent these nominations to the senate:

State—John W Griggs, of New Jersey, to be Attorney-general; Selah Morrill, of Massachusetts, to be consul at Jerusalem, Syria.

To be Collectors of Customs—C. Wesley Thomas, of Philadelphia; Domingo M. Pappy, at St. Augustine, Fla.

Interior—St. Clair A. Mulholland, pension agent at Philadelphia; Henry S. Chubb, receiver of public moneys at Gainesville, Fla.: Walter S. Robinson, register of the land office at Janesville, Fla.

Justice—John F. Horr, marshal of the United States for the southern district of Florida; John Eagan, attorney of the United States for the northern district of Florida.

Spain Will Negotiate.

Minister Woodford has cabled to the department of state that the government of Spain has consented to negotiate a commercial treaty with the United States on the basis of reciprocity, with schedules for Cuba and the Peninsula. The negotiations will be conducted in Washington at a time yet to be agreed upon.

A Tree Fell on Him.

J. W. Christian, a farmer living near Paint Rock, Tenn., was riding home when he was overtaken by a violent wind storm. A tree was blow down, striking him on the head, killing him instantly.

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The Land bill, granting 25,000 acres of public lands in Alabama, passed the Senate Saturday. We confidently expect it to go through thd house within 60 days. Grand possibilities are enfolded in this bill Every man woman and child should hope for its success.

Today the Battle ship Maine is standing in the port of Havana. The eyes of the world is turned upon her Consul Gen. Lee is proving his royal fitness for such work as is now submitted to him. The Maine is under his orders and with the iron monster in charge we may expect safe and conservative action. It will only be a short time before war is declared or peace restored to Cuba. The United States has done well in takiug action now, and we can only hope for a fair and peaceful adjustment of things. Gen. Lee fears an outbreak at any moment, It will be slow coming when the grim throated cannon of a U. S. Man-o'-war is looking upon the city walls.

Montevallo may have another paper soon—tne NEWS has stood worse things than a new paper—we welcome the rumored paper and will promise her a lot of fun if nothing else.

Pres. H. C. Reynolds has returned from Washington, where he has been in interest of our school. We will soon know how he succeeded. Mr. Reynolds, as is known, never fails. Montevallo should be proud of him.

Several of our exchanges are advertising Jackson limbless cotton, their never was a greater fake advertised in an American paper, we would advise our farmers to give Jackson limbless cotton a wide berth.

If straws tell which way the wind blows, Montevallo will be on a boom this spring.

Columbiana don't want much but she has a corporate limit of two miles and a half each way from the court house, or over fifteen miles in circumference. We think it would be a good idea for her to incorporate the whole county.

A REPORTER FOR JUST SIX WEEKS.

Meat for a Smart Lawyer—Then an Exile From His Native Land.

"I was a newspaper man for six weeks," admitted the bronzed and bearded man, who had just returned from a twenty years' sojourn in Mexico to a Detroit Free Press reporter. "But for that brief experience as a reporter, I presume, I should have lived all this time in my native city. As it is I never mention its name and my own in the same connection. I was as ambitious a scribe as ever drew a notebook, and allowed myself only three years in which to own a metropolitan newspaper of my own.

"One day I was stopped on the street by a hatcet-faced young lawyer, who told me to meet him that evening and get the most sensational piece of news that had been sprung since the place was founded. I was there on the minnte, and he gave me elaborate details of how John Hagar Smith had gained legal title to land that was then in the business center of the city and worth at least $300,000,000. The title was still good, and Smith's heirs could recover every cent of its value.

"The story appeared the next morning with half a column of head lines, and shook the town. In the same issue my informant advertised for the heirs of John Hager Smith, referring them to my highly favored article. They flocked to him and his retainers made him rich in a incredibly brief time. Other papers denied, but my lawyer kept me going while he was raking down fat fees. Mr. Smith seemed to have more decendants than any other man of history except Adam.

'But older and more experienced newspaper men took hold of the matter, and the bubble burst. There never had been any such man as John Hager Smith, so that his army of professed heirs were all impostors. There wasn't a leaven of truth in the whole high-priced yarn. Tne lawyer skipped, but didn't have the grace to pay my way out of town, though he knew there were several hundred Smiths on my trail. I met him ten years later in Mexico, and they tell me that he has been a cripple ever since."—Newspaperdom.

MAPLESVILLE.

Miss Willie Glover, the lovely daughter of Mrs. M. E. Glover, was married Thursday morning to Mr. Matthews of Montgomery. Rev. J. D. Ruddick made the pair one.

The gin house belonging to W. D. Lawrence burned down Thursday night about ten o'clock. The loss was over six hundred dollars. No insurance.

Crumpton Graham has accepted a position with the Hanover Construction Co.

Operator Wykoop left Sunday for Jackson, Miss., where he will spend a few days with friends and relatives.

Ensley Cooper was quite sick last week.

Having sore eyes did not prevent Crump from going to see his girl Sunday evening.

Miss Allie Brand, one of Randolph's most charming young ladies, has been visiting Mrs. Glover this week much to tne delight of some of our boys.

Dr. A. S. Woolley's store was conducted last week by his charming daughter, Miss Gertrude.

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LOCAL.

The Editor visited Columbiana Tuesday.

Editor Graham was in our city Saturday.

Mr. Kroell will build three brick stores this spring.

Mrs. J. L. McConnegby visited Birmingham this week.

Vandermeer Bros. will leave our city next week for Florida.

Mr. Walter Fowlkes, the only original, was in town this week.

Mr. Harry Reynolds returned home from Washington D C. Friday.

Cattle buyers are shipping large lots of cows etc., from this place to Kansas.

There will be services at the Methodist church every Sunday hereafter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reynolds returned from Birmingham Tuesday morning.

We understand that Mr. H. C. Fancher has rented his new house on south-side to Rev. Wood of Jemison.

A negro was killed in Gurnee Sunday. He was shot by a negro who had patronized Gur nee blind tigers too freely.

This section was visited by a severe wind and rain storm on Saturday last. There was no damage worth mentioning.

The News printer left Saturday without giving us any notice. On that account we will be a little late and short of news.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McConaughy went to Birmingham Monday night to see "Modjesta."

Mr. W. E. Yeatman of Calera has accepted a position with the News. Mr. Yeatman comes to us highly recommended.

There was quite a wind storm Saturday, the wind blew a mule and wagon about a hundred feet. the mules back was broken.

Mr. Frank Gist Editor of the Chronicle visited our sanctum Monday Frank is a hustler he may move to our city in the near future.

Dr. Bush a brother of Miss Bush at the Industrial, one of the music teachers, is in town. We are sorry to learn that Miss Bush is quite ill.

...eral nice resi... ...made and are to ... future. Mr. O. ... drawing up new ...

... is full of drummers this week. Montevallo is an important point for the travelling man. Our merchants do a large business, and buy lots of goods.

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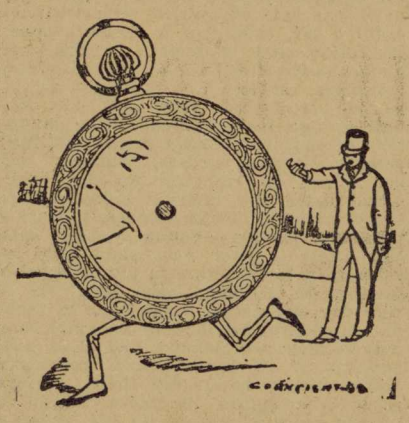

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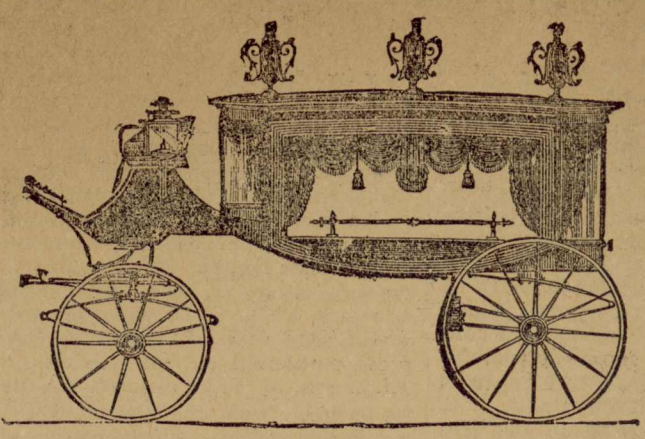

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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Friday.

The stormy scenes of the last few days in the house of representatives were followed by comparative quiet today.... At the opening of the session a bill was passed to grant the commissioners of Dale county, Alabama, the right to construct two bridges across the Choctawatchie river.... The Senate Nicaragua Canal Commission amendment was non-concurred in.... One of the senate amendment was concurred in with an amendment to appropriate $15,000 for the repair of national cemetery at Fort Smith, Ark. .... The main fight came on the senate amendment striking out the provision in the bill requiring depositors of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transportation from the assay offices to the mint. It was agreed to without division in the committee of the whole .... Mr. Cannon said he would demand and aye and nay vote in the house. The vote in the committee was confirmed on a yea and nay vote in the house, 144 to 112. The bill was sent back to conference.... The house then went into committee of the whole, where the pending question was a point of order raised against the motion of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, to substitute for the senate bill to refer the claim of the Book Publishing Company of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to the court of claims, the house bill to adjust the whole claim by the payment of $288,000. There was considerable parliamentary sparring, and finally, at 4:45, the house adjourned without action on the bill.

The Senate.

The senate proceedings today were devoid of interest. The resolution of Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, calling upon the secretary of the interior for the papers in the case of the dismissal of Mrs. M. E. Roberts from the pension office, was laid before the senate. He spoke briefly upon the matter. The resolution was referred to the committee on civil service and retrenchment. .... Mr. Lodge moved that the senate go into executive session.... The senate devoted its principal attention to the nomination of Attorney-General McKenna to be a justice of the supreme court of the United States. When the doors were closed the Hawaiian treaty was laid aside in order to afford an opportunity to consider the McKenna and other nominations. An effort was made to secure the confirmation of the nomination of General Longstreet to be commissioner of railroads, but it went over until another day. The nomination of Attorney-General McKenna was then called up, and, after a three hours' speech by Mr. Allen, attacking confirmation, the vote was taken, which was overwhelmingly favorable to confirmation.

The House—Saturday.

In the house today some odds and ends of legislation were cleaned up by unanimous consent.... A resolution requesting the state department to transmit to the house all information in its possession relative to the military execution of Colonel Ruíz, a Spanish envoy to the insurgent camp of Auranguren was adopted.... A resolution calling on the state department for a draft of the Hawaiian annexation treaty and for information as to what constitutional authority the president had to contract for the payment of a Hawaiian debt of $4,000,000 out of the treasury, after discussion, was laid on the table by a vote of 124 to 110.... Mr. Alexander, of New York, secured the passage of a bill to suspend the federal laws against the sale of spirituous liquors to Indians so far as they relate to the Indians of New York state, and substitute therefor the laws of the state.... At this point, Mr. Bailey, of Texas, rose to a question of personal privilege in connection with his controversy with Speaker Reed at the close of the Cuban debate Wednesday and spoke briefly.... At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The resolution of Mr. Teller, of Colorado, providing that the bonds of the United States may be paid in silver dollars was then laid before the senate, and, in accordance with notice given yesterday Mr. Stewart, of Nevada, addressed the senate. He said that the disregard of the resolution which is already a law of the United States had brought many calamities upon the land, and that the results of such disregard had been disastrous and lamentable. He attributed the panic of 1893 directly to the disregard of the law.... Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, secured the passage of a bill to grant 25,000 acres of unoccupied lands of the United States in Alabama to that state for the use of the industrial school for girls of Alabama and of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial institute.... A bill was passed authorizing the Shreveport and Red River Valley Railroad company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Loggy bayou in Louisiana .... The senate, at 3.08 p. m., went into executive session, and at 5 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Monday.

In the house today Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, reported back the two resolutions calling on the secretary of the navy for information as to the suitability of sites for an armor plate factory in the south, with the recommendation that they lay on the table. The report called attention to the fact that invitations had been issued for sealed proposals for the land, buildings and machinery for a government armor plate factory, which would be opened January 29, 1898, and that the secretary, when these were opened, would send a special report to congress containing all information.... Mr. Curtis, of Iowa, claimed the day for business from the District of Columbia committee, which consumed two hours.... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill, and after completing seven pages the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today Mr. Walthall, of Mississippi, presented the credentials of H. D. Money to succeed the late Senator George and the oath of office was administered to Mr. Money.... Mr. Walthall presented a joint resolution adopted by the legislature of Mississippi urging the United States to intervene in the Cuban war. Referred to committee on foreign relations.... The Teller resolution was then laid before the senate. Mr. Turpin addressed the senate in support of the resolution.... Mr. Morgan rose under a question of personal privilege to reply to a published statement of Mr. Cleveland concerning Hawaiian annexation.. .The pension appropriation bill was called up and debated, but no action taken, and at 5 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

In the house today a bill was passed granting American registration to the foreign built steamer Navajo. The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. Mr. Smith, of Arizona, made an attack on the present system of educating the Indian. He declared that the Carlisle and Hampton schools were a mistake; that an Indian could not be civilized by teaching him how to read and write and sing psalms. The Indian, he said, must receive an industrial education, but it must be given him in the vicinity of his home; not in the east. In this bill he said $2,500,000 was wasted. .... A political debate was precipitated over the existence of prosperity. Among those who spoke were Messrs. Terry of Arkansas, Sims of Tennessee, Underwood and Wheeler of Alabama, and others.... Without reaching a vote on any of the bills the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The senate, on motion of Mr. Hoar, went into executive session today as soon as it convened.... At 12:15 p. m. the doors were opened and the senate proceeded to general business. Mr. Quay secured the passage of a bill to indemnify the state of Pennsylvania for money expended in 1864 for militia called into service by the government. The amount involved is $46,000.... Mr. Quay also reported the army appropriation bill.... Mr. Butler, of South Carolina, offered an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill providing for an extension of the experiment of rural free delivery to every state and territory of the union, and to as many sections of those states and territories as possible.... Mr. Perkins called up the pension appropriation bill. The amendment proposed by Mr. Allen providing that the lowest pension paid by the government be $8 a month was ruled out of order and the bill was passed.... The Teller resolution was laid before the senate, over which a general debate arose. The remainder of the session was taken up in the discussion.

Balloting for a Senator.

The democratic legislative caucus of Tennessee held to select a candidate for the United States senate, met and began balloting. The first ballot resulted: McMillan, 37; Turley, 32, Taylor, 19. Fourteen ballots were taken, with practically the same result. There is a growing belief that a deadlock is imminent.

Miss Media McNeal, assistant superintendent of the Augusta, Ga., hospital committed suicide Friday by opium poisoning. She had previously been in the Emergency hospital, Washington, D. C. Despondency was the cause of the suicide.

Dr. Talmage Marries Again.

Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, the noted divine of Washington and Mrs. Elore McCutheon Collier, of Allegheny City, were married last week. The wedding, which came as a great surprise to the many friends of the couple, was, on account of a recent death in the family, an extremely quiet affair. This is Dr. Talmage's third wife.

Hon. T. H. Yarborough, the first probate judge of Geneva county, Alabama, and one of the oldest citizens, died at noon Thursday, aged 84.

EMINENT DIVINES' SERMONS

DISCOURSES BY TWO ABLE WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD.

'The Law of Kindness" is the Title of the New York Herald's Tenth Competitive Sermon—Dr. Talmage Preaches a Sermon to the Feminine Toilers.

Proverbs xxxi., 26.

There are two superficial and somewhat prevalent notions of kindness which overlook the truth of a law of kindness and hinder the fulfilment of that law. The first is that kindness is a happy accident of temperament. When Charles Lamb died Henry Crabb Robinson went to visit Mary Lamb, and she said to him: "Now, I call this very kind of you, not good natured, but very, very kind." Her distinction is just. Kindness is more than constitutional good naturedness. It implies discipline and culture.

The second notion associates kindness with Christian etiquette and deportment, with something amiable and desirable, perhaps, but rather ornamental than essential. Consequently many religious and devout people are unkind in words and actions without any feeling of sinfulness on that account. Put away the notion of kindness which regards it as merely an external grace of character or a useful lubricant wherewith to reduce the frictions of social intercourse and conceive it as an essential element of all goodness, divine or human, and as comprehended under God's law of human life. Unkindness, like any other transgression of moral law, is wickedness. Nor is it enough to try and not be unkind, for unless one tries to be kind he not only fails of duty, but will be unable to guard himself from actual unkindness.

Kindness has its root in kinship. It implies relationship and affinity. Men are children of a common Father, and therefore brethren. Therein lies the significance of all that the Scriptures teach concerning the essential, exceeding and everlasting loving kindness of God. There is kinship between Him and men, created in His image. Therein is grounded our human kinship and the law of brotherly kindness for all men, than which no law of human life has higher authority or sacredder sanctions.

As no one can be as good as he should and may be, so no one can do good as he should and may without striving to fulfill this law of the cultivation and manifestation of kindness. There is nothing else so powerful for good unless it be love, and love as St. Paul says, is kind. It disarms prejudice and hatred, it converts distrust into confidence, it overcomes all manner of evil with good. It brings out as nothing else can the latent and potential good things in people. Men have come to recognize and act upon this principle in their treatment and training of animals. How much more effective will be the training of children and the treatment of all human beings which is based upon kindly sympathy! The safest assumption that can be made in all such matters is that kindness will meet all such response.

Kindness has insight and can detect signs of promise in the unpromising, while under its genial influences and delicate ministrations these signs become manifest and the things they promise begin to be fulfilled. What else gives so great encouragement to the many who are struggling with adversity or temptation, correcting and changing just those depressed feelings of loneliness and neglect wherein the power of evil finds its most favorable conditions? Wordsworth speaks of

That portion of a good man's life—
His little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love.

How suggestive that is of what is possible in this way of kindness, which works with magic power to transmute apparent trifles into priceless treasures—as St. Zita's cup of cold water given to a dusty and weary pilgrim proved to be, as he drank it, a cup of precious wine. Kind words often, as Dante says of Beatrice's words, "more smiled than spoken!" Kind actions, costing little, but bestowing much! How easily they might be multiplied to the immeasurable cheer and comfort and enrichment of life! They make the gloomy smile, the angry grow meek, the suffering to cease from groaning; they light up hope, sweeten bitter thoughts, console sorrow, strengthen the faint and turn from sin; and they reach and move those whom no other good influences affect and conquer such as have resisted all other powers of grace.

Bitter and all too frequent are our regrets and repentances, as we recall, perhaps too late for aught but regret and repentance, the unkind things said or done by us, or the kind things we might and should have said and done, but left unsaid and undone. In our cups of recollection overflowing with divine tender mercies and loving kindnesses there is no bitterer ingredient than this. But seldom, if ever, do we recall any error of ours on the part of kindness or find any occasion for regretting merciful allowances, favorable interpretations or whatever a spirit of kindness may have prompted. We have never stood by a coffin or a grave and repented of any utmost or even unrequited kindness shown to the person at rest there.

The Gospel of Christ is precious because it is a gospel of the "exceeding great kindness of God toward us" in Christ, and because it is all the while aiming to touch and waken the chords of human sympathy in our hearts; and, in bringing us under the law and into the spirit of brotherly kindness, to make us know and rejoice together in the loving kindness of our God. Of this gospel we can all be ministers, and the best and most useful portion of our lives will be our "little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love."

Oh, then, since the time is short, "Be swift to love, make haste to be kind!"

EDWIN BOND PARKER,
Pastor of the Second Church in Hartford, Conn.

LEARN PRACTICAL THINGS.

Dr. Talmage Preaches Directly For the Benefit of the Women.

TEXT: "Every wise woman buildeth her house."—Prov. xiv., 1.

Woman a mere adjunct to man, an appendix to the masculine volume, an appendage, a sort of afterthought, something thrown in to make things even—that is the heresy entertained and implied by some men. This is evident to them, because Adam was first created, and then Eve. They don't read the whole story, or they would find that the porpoise and the bear and the hawk were created before Adam, so that this argument, drawn from priority of creation, might prove that the sheep and the dog were greater than man. No. Woman was an independent creation, and was intended, if she choose, to live alone, to work alone, act alone, think alone, but never fight her battles alone. The Bible says it is not good for a woman to be alone; and the simple fact is that many women who are harnessed for life in the marriage relation would be a thousand-fold better off if they were alone.

A woman standing outside the marriage relation is seve... better off than ... Many an attracti... sense in other th... to reform him. Wh... when a dove, notici... rapacious and cruel, s... and said: "I have a n... I like peace, and was ... quiet of a dove-cot, and ... vulture to the same likin... him," so, one day, after t... clared he would give up his ... habits and cease longing for blo... and herd, at an altar of rock covered with moss and lichen, the twain were married, a bald-headed eagle officiating, the vulture saying: "With all my dominion of earth and sky, I thee endow, and promise to love and cherish till death do us part." But one day the dove in her fright saw the vulture busy at a carcass, and cried: 'Stop that! Did you not promise me that you would quit your carnivorous and filthy habits if I married you?" "Yes," said the vulture, "but if you don't like my way, you can leave," and with one angry stroke of the beak, and another fierce clutch, the vulture left the dove eyeless and wingless and lifeless.

Many a woman who has had the hand of a young inebriate offered, but declined it, or who was asked to chain her life to a man selfish, or of bad temper, and refused the shackles, will bless God throughout all eternity that she escaped that earthly pandemonium.

In addressing those women who have to battle alone, I congratulate you on your happy escape. Rejoice forever that you will not have to navigate the faults of the other sex, when you have faults enough of your own. Think of the bereavements you avoid, of the risks of unassimilated temper which you will not have to run, of the cares you will never have to carry, and of the opportunity of outside usefulness from which married life would have partially debarred you, and that you are free to go and come as one who has the responsibilities of a household can seldom be. God has not given you a hard lot, as compared with your sisters. When young women shall make up their minds at the start that masculine companionship is not a necessity in order to happiness, and that there is a strong probability that they will have to fight the battle of life alone, they will be getting the timber ready for their own fortune, and their saw and ax and plane sharpened for its construction, since "Every wise woman buildeth her house."

As no boy ought to be brought up without learning some business at which he could earn a livelihood, so no girl ought to be brought up without learning the science of self-support. The difficulty is that many a family goes sailing on the high tide of success, and the husband and father depends on his own health and acumen for the welfare of his household, but one day he gets his feet wet, and in three days pneumonia has closed his life, and the daughters are turned out on a cold world to earn bread, and there is nothing practical that they can do.

How is this evil to be cured? Start clear back in the homestead and teach your daughters that life is an earnest thing, and that there is a possibility, if not a strong probability, that they will have to fight the battle of life alone. Let every father and mother say to their daughters: "Now, what would you do for a livelihood if what I now own were swept away by financial disaster, or old age, or death should end my career?"

My advice to all girls and all unmarried women, whether in affluent homes or in homes where most stringent economies are grinding, is to learn to do some kind of work that the world must have while the world stands.

O, young women of America! as many of you will have to fight your own battles alone, do not wait until you meet with disaster and your father is dead, and all the resources of your family have been scattered; but now, while in a good house and environed by all prosperities, learn how to do some kind of work that the world must have as long as the world stands. Turn your attention from the embroidery of fine slippers, of which there is a surplus, and make a useful shoe. Expend the time in which you adorn a cigar case in learning how to make a good, honest loaf of bread. Turn your attention from the making of flimsy nothings to the manufacturing of important something.

"But," you ask, "what would my father and mother say if they saw I was doing such unfashionable work?" Throw the whole responsibility upon us, the pastors who are constantly hearing of young women in all these cities, who, unqualified by their previous luxurious surroundings for the awful struggle of life into which they have been suddenly hurled, seemed to have nothing left them but a choice between starvation and damnation. They go along the street at 7 o'clock in the wintry mornings, through the slush and storm to the place where they shall earn only half enough for subsistence, the daughters of once prosperous merchants, lawyers, clergymen, artists, bankers and capitalists, who brought up their children under the infernal delusion that it was not high tone for a woman to learn a profitable calling. Young woman! take this affair in your own hand, and let there be an insurrection in all prosperous families on the part of the daughters of this day, demanding knowledge in occupation and styles of business by which they may be their own defence and their own support if all fatherly and husbandly and brotherly hands fail them. I have seen two sad sights, the one a woman in all the glory of her young life, stricken by disease, and in a week lifeless in a home of which she had been the pride. As her hands were folded over the still heart and her eyes closed for the last slumber, and she was taken out amid the lamentations of kindred and friends, I thought that was a sadness immeasurable. But I have seen something compared with which that scene was bright and songful. It was a young woman who had been all her days amid wealthy surroundings, by the visit of death and bankruptcy to the household turned out on a cold world without one lesson about how to get food or shelter, and into the awful whirlpool of city life, where strong ships have gone down, and for twenty years not one word has been heard from her. Vessels went out on the Atlantic Ocean looking for a shipwrecked craft that was left alone and forsaken on the sea a few weeks before, with the idea of bringing it into port. But who shall ever bring into the harbor of peace and hope and heaven that lost womanly immortal, driven in what tempest, aflame in what conflagration, sinking into what abyss? O God, help! O Christ, rescue! My sisters, give not your time to learning fancy work which the world may dispense with in hard times, but connect your skill with the indispensables of life.

Let me say to all women who have already entered upon the battle of life that the time is coming when women shall not only get as much salary and wages as men get, but for certain styles of employment women will have higher salary and more wages, for the reason that for some styles of work they have more adaptation.

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...y to Pray." Matt. vi., ... Text: Matt. vi., 6—Com... on the Day's Lesson Writ... by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

5. "And when thou prayest thou shalt not be as the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward." Dr. Weston says concerning this sermon that Christ here draws the picture of the person who is to be the result of His work, the ideal man whom the Saviour is to make actual by saving him from sin. The only and indispensable condition of admission to such a life is the consciousness of utter spiritual poverty, absolute destitution, a beggar with no power to alter his condition or make himself better. No man on earth, be he who or what he will, is excluded, and the character described in the beatitudes is within the reach of every man.

6. "But thou when thou prayest enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door pray to thy Father, which is in secret, and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly." All benevolence is not to be hidden, for when our good works glorify God we are to let our light so shine. No one is forbidden to pray in public, nor even to let it be known that we are fasting if God can be glorified thereby. What is forbidden is our own glory or advantage in anything. What is required is the glory of God in all things. See I Cor. x., 31; Pet. iv., 11; John xiv., 13, 14.

7. "But when ye pray use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do, for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking." There is nothing here forbidding us to repeat the same petitions in our prayers, but what is forbidden is vain repetition or thinking that there is benefit or merit in saying the same words over and over. True prayer is the utterance of heart desires for the glory of God in the name of Jesus Christ.

8. "Be not ye therefore like unto them, for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask Him." We are not forbidden to ask because our Father knows, but we are to ask as children who have confidence in a Father's love and wisdom. Children who tease and torment their parents do not credit either to themselves or to their parents; parents who permit it are not wise, and children who do it do not honor their parents. Confidence in God will meekly ask and be sure that if it is best it shall be given.

9. "After this manner therefore pray ye, Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name." I have met many who use no more this form of words and perhaps they do no sin by this omission; as for myself I never expect to pray better or with more understanding or more in accord with the will of God than when I use these very words. I would not rob Israel, nor put myself under any bondage, but if Israel has a good thing which, I, too, can enjoy, surely our Father would like me to enjoy it. How very near Jesus took Mary and us to His heart when He said, "Go to My brethren and say unto them, I ascend unto My Father, and your Father, and to My God and your God" (John xx., 17).

10. "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." When, after the thousand years, satan shall have been sent to the lake of fire, and all things shall have been subdued unto Christ, then He shall hand over the kingdom unto God the Father that God may be all in all (Rev. xx., 10; I Cor. xv., 28), and this prayer shall be answered.

11. "Give us this day our daily bread." Our Father knows our need in this matter and will not withhold any good, yet it is His pleasure that we ask Him for all that is included in this phrase "our daily bread," and inasmuch as we have already learned that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God (Chapter iv., 4), the phrase must include a great deal.

12. "And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." Forgiveness of sins in His name is what we are to preach everywhere (Luke xxiv., 47), and when we receive Him we are assured that our sins are forgiven for His name's sake and shall no more be remembered (I John ii., 12; Isa. xliii., 25), but while we are in these mortal bodies we shall need constant forgiveness; hence the comfort of the assurance that "if we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." It is the sense of the vast forgiveness which we enjoy from Him that enables us to be kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake has forgiven us (Eph. iv., 32.

13. "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen." God never tempts any one to do wrong (Jas. i., 13), but He does try men for their present and eternal good, and for His great glory, and it is blessed to be tried and receive grace to endure (Jas. i., 12). He will never try us above what we are able (I Cor. x., 13). As to the evil one, He will deliver us from every evil and preserve us unto His heavenly kingdom (II Tim. iv., 18). The kingdom is His, the power is His, and the glory. Salvation and service from beginning to end are all His, and of Him, and it becomes us ever to say, "Thine O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine; Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all."

14. "For if ye forgive men their trespasses your Heavenly Father will also forgive you." Fellowship with God depends upon our being one with Him in all things. We may walk with Him, and He will dwell in us and walk in us (II Cor. vi., 16), but we must be willing to humble ourselves and agree with Him in everything (Mic. vi., 8; margin; Amos iii., 3).

15. "But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." When Peter asked how often he should forgive his brother and suggested seven times as a possible extreme, our Lord answered, "Until seventy times seven." He then told of one who was forgiven 10,000 talents, but would not forgive his fellow a hundred pence; hence he was severely punished. Our Lord added, "So likewise shall My Heavenly Father do also unto you if ye from your hearts forgive not everyone his brother their trespasses" (Math. xviii., 21-35). Again it is, as always, "Not I, but Christ." "Not I, but the grace of God." Nothing for self, not even anything in the way of justice as a primary thing, and never revenge, but always the glory of God that He may be magnified. —Lesson Helper.

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The London Globe says that a clever photographer has "doctored" a snapshot of an informal royal family group taken at Darmstadt, and produced a new and ostensibly official picture, representing the Kaiser and the Czar with their arms affectionately entwined. In Berlin they buy it by the gross; in St. Petersburg it has been forbidden by law. One capital's meat is another capital's poison.

Dr. Nansen appears to be booming the Arctic regions as a great health resort. According to his testimony, the atmosphere of the frozen zone is absolutely free from all disease germs, and no such things as bacilli or microbes can survive there. It will have to be allowed that this is a handsome recommendation, though, as a Boston contemporary points out, it is somewhat hampered by the danger of freezing to death.

"The Stanford (Ky.) Journal" says: "The unusual sight of a thirty-five-year-old man going to school can be seen any day at the public school here. It is 'Ed' Hubbard, who a year or so ago decided to make a preacher of himself, and, having no education, he is taking every opportunity to secure it. He is a good scholar, Professor Grubbs tells us, but it occasionally becomes necessary to 'keep him in to make him work a little harder. He plays with the boys at recess, and seems to relish football and other games as much as his playmates, the majority of whom are a score or more years younger."

The dream of the deviser of long felt wants in the bicycle business has at last been realized. It is by the successful completion of an automatic bicycle pump which will fill a bicycle tire to the required degree of hardness by the simple pulling of a lever after connecting the hose to the tire and dropping a penny in thte slot. The remarkable thing about this invention is, that the air is compressed into the tire by the action of the lever moved by the hand of the rider. The great power necessary to effect the result is secured by an arrangement of mechanical appliances entirely new to the construction of pumps. The pump is always ready to work and when placed in front of the road houses and inns along the boulevards and bicycle paths in the neighborhood of large cities, will save riders an immense amount of inconvenience and discomfort. It is expected also that the machine will be used universally for pumping carriage tires.

The London Globe says that a number of comments will appear in the skies during the year 1898. "The Pons Winnecke comet should open the list by appearing in April, after an absence of about five and one-half years. In May the celebrated Encke comet is due. This comet has a period of only three and one-fourth years, and its frequent appearance has been the means of astronomers discovering a great deal about comets and their wanderings through space. In June we should have two of these cosmical visitors—Swift's and Wolfe's comets—the former after an absence of six years and the latter a trifle longer. Temple's comet completes the visitors' list by arriving in September. These comets are all regular visitors, whose periods are so well known that their arrivals may be timed almost to the hour. Others, no doubt, will arrive, but they will doubtless be casuals, of whose antecedents nothing is known, and most of them such small fry as to catch the attention of only the most assiduous observers."

While the code duello, in its sanguinary character, is rapidly becoming obsolete in the United States, it appears to be still in high favor on the other side of the Atlantic. In Germany some 4,000 engagements are yearly fought on the field of honor with sanguinary results. Most of these engagements take place in the neighborhood of college towns. Within the space of twenty-four hours as many as twenty duels have occurred in the neighborhood of Jena. Next to Germany in allegiance to the code duello, comes France. There are some 1,200 duels fought annually in France, the participants being mainly officers in the French army. Italy comes next to France, with some 272 duels annually. During the past ten years Italy has furnished 2,759 duels. Austria, Russia, Spain and Great Britain rank next in the order named. In Great Britain the code has become almost as obsolete as in the United States. Most of the duels fought on the European continent are fought with the sword, though pistols and knives are used occasionally.

Some young men of Irving, a suburb of Chicago, have formed an anti-marriage association. The member who marries must pay $25 and give a banquet to the members. To visit a girl twice in a week costs $2, and $1 is assessed against those who take a girl home by the shortest route. The members of the association expect to enjoy many banquets in the near future.

The Stone Family Association has grown so rapidly in the last three years, according to the New York Tribune, that it promises to be stronger in numbers than any similar organization in the country. At ae recent meeting in Boston, lately discovered information as to the English birthplace and ancestry of Simon and Gregory Stone was presented, and William E. Stone, of Cambridge, Mass., was authorized to have it published for the benefit of the descendants. It seems that Simon Stone sailed from London for New England in the ship Increase, on April 15, 1635, and that Gregory Stone reached Cambridge soon afterward.

Inspector General Breckinridge believes there is great need in the army for a system of rewards for conduct, and has proposed to present good-conduct badges to deserving soldiers. Referring to the recommendations, which have been indorsed by General Miles and Secretary Alger, General Breckinridge says: "Some armies adopted a system of good-conduct pay and badges and have derived marked benefit therefrom; and its introduction into our army would prove equally beneficial. The total number of men in the army worthy of good-conduct badges last year was 4,614, and over 17,500 men were reported as not having been tried, and 20,580 had not been in confinement, or 79.4 and 92.9 per cent. respectively, of the total number of enlisted men reported present and absent. These figures bring the troublesome element within 20 per cent., and speak well for the army; and they are a fair indication of the behavior of our troops. It is safe to say that the adoption of good-conduct badges would improve the morals of our army, and supplement the much-valued medals of honor and certificates of merit, which are hardly within reach in the quiet time of peace."

A singularly interesting announcement is that Mr. Jackson, the intrepid and accomplished explorer of Franz Josef Land, means to make an attempt to reach the North Pole by way of Grinnell Land. He at first planned to go up the east coast of Greenland and strike poleward from the north of that island, but abandoned that route when he found that it was already pre-empted by Lieutenant Peary, who will reach it from the west coast of Greenland. He will, therefore, go up the west coast of Greenland, just as the American explorer will, but on reaching high latitude will turn to the west, instead of to the east. While Lieutenant Peary makes his dash toward the pole on or near the thirtieth meridian west from Greenwich, Mr. Jackson will make his probably somewhere between the seventieth and eightieth. In those high latitudes, however, they will not be far apart ,and every mile made toward the pole will bring them nearer to each other. It is an interesting feature of the case, too, that the American will travel by way of Sherard Osborn Fiord and Nares Land and other regions bearing the names of English adventurers, and the Englishman will proceed by way of Grinnell Land and Grant Land, and perhaps Cape Columbia.

Alive Without Her Stomach.

The astonishing discovery made by a foreign surgeou, who has found that a human being can live without a stomach, will be regarded with wonder by the men of science everywhere. The physician who accomplished the triumph removed a woman's stomach four months ago, but the woman is still alive, working and in good health. She eats and she gets the benefit of her food, which is digested, presumably, by the other organs in the intestinal tract. The operation may not be of immediate practical value. It seems to be doubtful whether it will ever be tried save in rare cases where the life of the patient is dependent upon relief from some sort of stomach trouble. The fact remains that the performance is of great importance as an indication that the digestive and assimilative power of the stomach has been overestimated and that much work of the kind is performed by intestinal organs which have been little regarded. Heretofore it has been taken for granted that the stomach was an indispensable part of the vital system; that without it no one could take food or assimilate it. The recent sensational operation has opened up a whole new sphere of physiological science by disclosing that it is actually possible to get along without the organ altogether. The discovery is another of the triumphs which the daring and skill of modern surgery have encompassed within a quarter of a century.

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From the Industrial News, Jackson, Mich.

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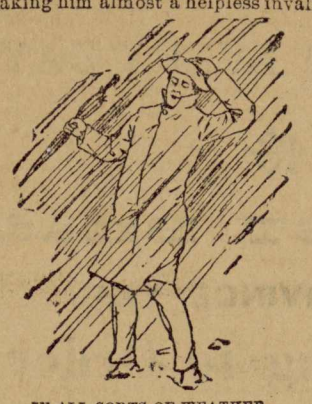
He suffered for over thirty years, and the last decade has suffered so much that he was unable to do any work. To this the frequent occurrences of dizzy spells were added, making him almost a helpless invalid.



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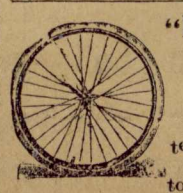

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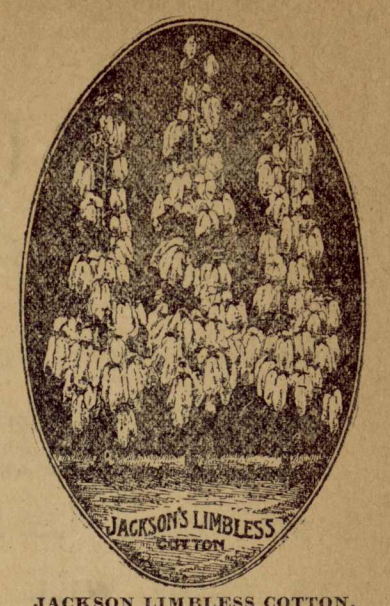

JACKSON LIMBLESS COTTON.

Committee Report of the Interstate Cotton Growers' Association on the Jackson African Limbless Cotton, That Met In Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 14, 1897.

We, the undersigned Committee, appointed by the Interstate Cotton Growers' Association, held in Atlanta, Ga., December 14th, 1897, to investigate and report on the Jackson Limbless Cotton, beg leave to submit the following report:

After a thorough and careful examination and investigation made of the cotton in the field, which we visited in person, and carefully looking into the matter, we unhesitatingly pronounce it the best variety of cotton ever grown in the South. From what the Committee learned from a conversation with Mr. Jackson, it seems that the cotton, with careful cultivation, will yield three bales per acre easily, and the evidence of such fact has presented itself to us after said investigation. The cotton itself is absolutely without limbs, the bolls maturing on little prongs two or three inches long, known as "fruit spur," with no other limbs; there being from two to five bolls on each spur. The stalks in the field, examined by us, are from four to ten feet tall, according to the fertility of the soil, as fruited from the ground up. We found on a great many stalks, bolls which contain five and six pods, which we consider very unusual, the size of the bolls being very fine average; the lint and staple being fine and silky, an average of one to one and a half inches. It is the opinion of your Committee that no cotton of this variety has ever been grown in the South before, and is of superior quality to anything we have ever seen grown. The land upon which the cotton examined was grown, is ordinary red gravelly upland, well manured. WM. P. CALHOUN, Chairman, Ga.

RICHARD CHEATHAM, Committee, Miss.

When your Committee visited the Jackson farm, the following gentlemen, members of the Atlanta Convention from the States designated under their names, accompanied your Committee, all being practical farmers, and endorse the above report, as evidenced by their signatures. M. T. LEACH, North Carolina.

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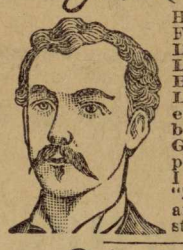

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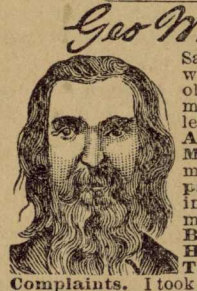

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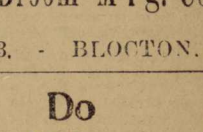

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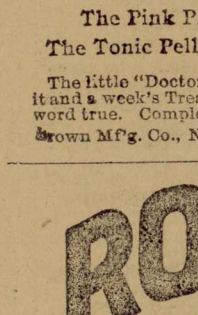

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THE GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL OF ALABAMA.

The Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo is a monument to the wisdom of the Legislature that created it and a pride to the succeeding Legislature which made appropriations to sustain it.

Having occasion to visit Montevallo on some Pythian work recently, in company with the Grand Chancellor and a number of visiting Knights, we made a careful inspection of this fast becoming celebrated school and its workings. The trustees have done what few schools have ever done—put a wide-awake, live, active business man at its head Capt. H. C. Reynolds up to a year and a half ago had been a successful merchant, he has accumulated a competency and raised a large family of children, with no end in view except to better his town and its inhabitants, he took an active interest in the location of this school at Montevallo. After it was located, factional quarrels on the board prevented its being put in operation for some time, until finally Capt. Reynolds, with his indomitable will-power and perseverance, succeeded in getting it started. Buildings being much in demand, and as funds were scarce, he went to Washington and while endeavoring to get an appropriation from Congress, succeeded in getting the officials of the Southern railway to give free transportation on all material used in the construction of the building. This donation amounted to over two thousand dollars. The trustees realizing the great interest he felt in the school, made the president. Succeeding events proved the wisdom of their choice. Thursday last, the 13th of January, as we stood on the rostrum of the spacious chapel, over 300 bright, well bred girls from all over the State, rose to bid us welcome.

Capt. Reynolds, we found, had the day before left for washington, where he is endeavoring to get Congress to donate public lands to the institution. In this he will succeed. He may not at this Congress, but mark our prediction, before he quits, this school will have the grants of lands asked for. This is Capt. Reynolds' record. He listens to no words of discouragement, always enthusiastic and knowing full well the justice of his requests, he will win.

A word about the splendid faculty, which the trustees seem to have been so happy in selecting.

In the study hall, or chapel, we found Mrs. Mary C. Babb, a woman of rare attainments and peculiarly fitted for her position; next to Capt. Reynolds she holds the most responsible position in the school. At the close of each half hour periods, the pupils file out to the different departments with mathematical precision. It seemed difficult to manage so large a school, until we saw the systemaitc and thorough manner in which it was conducted. Mrs. Babb, a profound Bible scholar, conducted a class in Bible history. Upon our inquiry as to what she did with denominational questions, she promptly replied, "we know no denominations in this school, and no denominational ideas or puestions are ever allowed. We have all classes here, and being a state institution all such questions are kept down." We visited each of the literary departments, and were impressed with the efficiency and thoroughness of the work. Briefly I might mention the heads of these departments: Prof. R. J. H. Simmons, mathematics; Miss Mary Stallworth, assistant mathematics; Miss Annie Kennedy, English and History; Miss Sophie Fitts, assistant; Miss B. M. Haley, pedagogy and Latin.

In the art department we found Miss Ella McCombs, who has a large class, and is doing fine work. Pupils were engaged in free hand drawing, water colors, oil painting, drawing and painting from nature and also china painting.

Living up to the spirit which created the school, we found the department of telegraphy so admirably suited for young women, presided over by the bright and attractive Mrs. Florence Hudson. We found her office connected with the outside world by telegraph, and then and there the party stopped and sent telegrams to our people at home, greeting them from the walls of this practical institution.

Passing on to the department which gives inssruction useful to woman we found Mrs. Gussie Nelson, so well known by the best dressed ladies of Montgomery—a queen of her profession. We learned of the fine influence she had w th all the pupils of the school. We saw there dresses of the finest material and make, just being boxed to go off by express to distant towns.

We saw there great interest and devotion to this work; girls were in this department who actually earned enough money to pay their way through the school.

The assistant in this department is Miss Leo Sanders, who last session graduated under Mrs. Nelson, and was elected on last commencement to her present position. Each girl is allowed two hours a day in this department, and more if her literary studies will permit it. About twenty-five machines are kept humming from morning to close of school. Many of the girls, I learn come back and work on Saturday. They make their own uniforms, thus saving an expense.

The typewriting department is admirably fitted up with machines of the latest and best make, and this is presided over by Miss Fannie Burke, an adept in this line. Owing to the great number of pupils, the stenographer and typewriting pupils have to be separated. Miss Susie Fox, of Wythville, Va., has charge of the class in stenography.

The department which fills a long felt want and interest to all the "men folks" is that of scientific cooking. This queen of all departments is graced by Miss Nellie Evans from Washington, D. C., who, like the institution, is intensely practical. She does not deal in theories and lectures, but in actual practice. "Sure enough" cooking is done and many a girl goes out from this class calculated to make a happy home. Broiled beef-steak, potato salad with French dressing was the bill of fare for the day. Over a hundred pupils compose her class, who come in sections of 15 or 20 at a time

The musical features of the school are unquestionably fine. The great number who take music makes it necessary to employ five teachers, and have on hand 27 pianos. The teachers in this branch are as follows: Miss Addie Lee, piano; Miss Sallie Crumpton, vocal; Miss Laura Dale, Guitar and piano; Miss Edna Bush, piano; Mrs. Sallie Cothren, vocal and instrumental.

This constitutes the faculty of this young but great school. We confess we were surprised and wonderfully pleased. We had but little idea that so much could be accomplished in such a short time. No State institution ever before made such strides and gave such direct benefit to its people. We were told that eighty eight ($88) covers cost of the entire session course. This embraces board, tuition, laundry, medical attention and use of all text books in the school. Every one would naturally ask the question, how can they do it so cheap? Well, we never inquired, but see it is done and done well. I saw bright, happy healthy girls as they changed from one department to another—from hard, head-splitting problems in trigonometry? I saw them go into a lesson of cooking, or in dress making, and cast all care to the winds. We saw many girls from around our home in Montgomery, and wished we had been born a girl and were a pupil in this happy school.

Alabama has a jewel at Montevallo of which she may well be proud. It makes our heart rejoice at its magnificent success and the grand work being accomplished.

Capt. Reynolds, to whom every one gives credit for so much of its success, is building for himself a monument that will be the pride and honor of his children and a blessing to the girls of Alabama.

We are grateful to Bro. C. L. Maroney, W. B. Reynolds and other members of J. W. Hardee Lodge No. 52 for courtesies extended, while on a tour of inspection through the Polytecnic Institute.

Editor Alabama Knight.

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Montevallo needs a number of novelty mills. They do not require at the outset a mint of money to establish them. They would render all kinds of hard woods valuable and give a more valuable market for them than as fuel. We would suggest to our citizens that they give special attention to this line of industry. A study of the novelty mills of Maine would be profitable and interesting. She has seventeen factories that make spools. They are made of white birch. There are mills in almost every town in Maine and they afford employment to many people.

One factory at South Parish, in Oxford county, Maine, employs two hundred hands.

IN MEMORIAM.

To the memory of Mary Claudia Bryan, who died at Montevallo, Ala., January 7th 1898 and whose nineteen years of uncomplaining and untireing love was a solace and comfort to her parents and family and whose pleasant disposition and lovable acts endeared her to friends and relatives. The following lines are lovingly dedicated:

We miss you little girl; how much we ne'er can tell,
The happy laugh on earth is stilled,
In Heaven, God wanted you with Him to dwell,
And we had to bow to what he willed.
He took you from us—we had no choice—
And silenced on earth, your sweet young voice,
That Heaven's choir might be filled.

We miss you little girl; our hearts with care are laden;
And the pain is so hard to bear,
But we think of you dear in that distant eden,
At the head of the Golden Stair.
But, we'll meet you again "Some sweet day,"
And see you, happy, bright and gay
With His chosen angels there'

We miss you little girl; the days are longer now
Than when you were with us, dear;
But God's will be done; and we humbly bow,
Knowing the meeting, though far, is near
For a life so pure is doubly blest;
The soul at peace in that land of rest,
For of death you had no fear.

We miss you little girl; there's a weary, aching pain
That life's joys can never cure;
But there's a happy thought; we'll meet again,
If earth's cares with patience we endure.
Pleading, we know you are at Jesus feet;
That in Heaven we'll once more meet
In loves eternity rest secure.

We miss you little girl, more and more each day,
Our hearts now are sad and prone;
But you have only gone before and led the way,
To joys, at last, we all may own;
But God knew best, His will is right,
And there shines now another light
Around the great white throne.

We miss you little girl; but there is joy above
In that home far beyond the sky.
And there, someday, where all is joy, peace and love,
We'll meet you again in the sweet bye and bye,
For we are coming, dear, to that city fair;
Your gentle hand shall lead us there
To that blissful home on high.

A Dear Friend.

California's Gold Output.

In connection with the recent observance of the semi-centennial anniversary of the discovery of gold on the Pacific coast it is interesting to note the magnitude of California's gold output during the past fifty years.

To begin with, the amount of gold dug from the mines during the first year succeeding the discovery aggregated only $245,301. But with a tremendrous bound the value of the output for the year following mounted up to $10,151,360. In 1850 the output aggregated $41,273,106; in 1851 $75,938,232, and in 1852, $81,294,700 Since 1852 there has been a gradual falling off in the annual output of the yellow metal. At the present time the amount of gold mined annually in California ranges in value from $15,000,000 to $18,000,000.

Since the first discovery of gold on the Pacific coast in 1848 it is estimated that California has produced not less than $1,300,398,779 worth of the yellow metal,

In view of what California owes to the discovery of gold, the people of that state have not been extravagant in holding such a brilliant festival as the one which has recently occurred in the Pacific slope.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Stormy Weather the Past Week Checks the Movement of Merchandise.

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT IN COTTON GOODS.

The Movement in Wheat and Corn Continues Enormous—Wool Is Strong. Print Cloths Higher—Falling Off in Failures.

Favorable conditions in the trade situation continue to far outweigh those of an opposite character. Stormy weather throughout a large section of the country this week has checked the movement of merchandise into consumption, but a perceptible increase in the demand for seasonable goods is reported already resulting. The last week of the month closes with increased activity in many lines, a number of price advances, heavily increased banking clearings, as compared with one year ago at nearly all cities, another considerable drop in the number of failures reported, large exports of cereals, particularly wheat, corn and flour, and perceptible confidence in nearly all branches of trade as regards the outlook for spring business. Another favorable feature of the week is the slight but distinct improvement in the cotton goods situation, in which speculative activity is awakening.

Print cloths are higher and from makes of gray and medium weight cottons are more firmly held.

Pig iron is reflecting the effect of the present unprecedented production, and a further weakening in prices is recorded at eastern points.

Boots and shoes hold the late advance and manufacturers of heavy weights will not take orders for fall delivery at present prices.

Wool is strong on large sales and firm prices abroad.

Collections are generally reported fair, those indicating backwardness coming most generally from the South.

Cereal exports are again heavy, total shipments of wheat, including flour, for the week amounting to 5,110,624 bushels against 3,926,000 bushels last week and 2,515,000 last year.

Corn, 4,962,000 bushels this week against 3,486,000 bushels last week and 3,011,000 bushels last year.

Business failures for the week are the smallest reported in the fourth week of January for the past five years, numbering only 288 against 309 last week, 326 last year, 393 in 1896, 312 in 1895 and 340 in 1894.

Of the failures reported, 251, or 87 per cent were of concerns having less than $20,000 capital. Canadian failures number 48 against 46 last week and 56 a year ago.

WATER IN PLACE OF WHISKY.

Miss Bradley Will Christen the Battleship Kentucky Next Month.

A special from Frankfort, Ky., says: "When next month the battleship Kentucky glides from the ways at Newport News her decks will not be bathed in champagne or good whisky. The fair sponsor, Miss Christine Bradley, will uncork a beautifully embellished vessel full of pure water.

"On the farm in LaRue county, where Abraham Lincoln was born, there is an unfailing spring of cold, crystal water where, in his boyhood, the great emancipator was wont to slake his thirst, using a gourd or oak leaf dipper.

"The idea is to have a committee formally visit the spring, fill a silver vessel with sparkling water and seal it with appropriate ceremonies. Then the vessel will be given to Miss Bradley, who will guard it as a sacred thing until the time for breaking the seal on board the Kentucky."

A Fabrication.

A special from Havana says: The Spanish account of the victory of General Castelanos and the capture of the headquarters of the rebel government in the town of Esperanza, has now proved to be a fabrication. There is no such town as Esperanza near Cubitas. The name of the town founded and occupied as the capital by the rebel government is Agramonte.

The Spanish troops were unable to get near this place, being repulsed in the mountains and forced to retire with heavy loss.

Spain Thoroughly Satisfied.

A semi-official note just issued at Madrid in relation to the visit of the United States battleship Maine to Cuba says:

"This necessitates Captain General Blanco sending a battleship, as well as the cruiser Vizcaya, to visit American ports. The visit will be made the occasion of festivities in honor of the Spanish sailors and the different naval commanders will exchange visits. The forthcoming festivities are regarded here as well as in Washington as a pacific demonstration calculated to be satisfactory to both countries."

SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

French experiments have shown that an addition of arsenic to the molten metal increases the strength of steel.

A Leipzig firm is manufacturing wall hangings of aluminum which are fastened by nails of the same material to wooden boards or laths.

The operators at the Cross Mountrin coal mines, in the Jellicoe regions of Tennessee, are preparing to put in electrical apparatus for mining coal.

A sea otter of average size is about six feet long from the tip of his nose to the end of his tail. It is little like a land otter and more than twice as large. A whole skin is worth from $800 up.

Railroad cars of steel are supplanting the wood ones. They are more roomy, lighter and can be made longer. In strength they are far superior to the ordinary car and they are adapted particularly well for freight.

Science announces that the Austrian steamship Pola has gone to the Red sea for scientific explorations, and will this year cover the ground between Dschedda and Aden. Dr. Franz Steindachner, ichthyologist, has charge of the zoological work, and observations will also be made in physical oceanography.

Ernest Salzenberg, director of the city gas works in Crefeld, Germany, has invented an incandescent gas burner which produces a golden-yellow light, most soothing to the eye and extremely powerful. It is said that a single incandescent jet enables a person to read fine print at a distance of 100 to 150 feet from the light.

That birds build their nests by imitation has been called in question by A. G. Butler of London, who says that the reason why many of them at the beginning of the season trifle with building material for some time before they produce a satisfactory result is that they are unable at once exactly to remember what the character of the nest was in which they first saw the light of day.

How Old Is the Earth?

"In an address made at the annual meeting of the Victoria Institute, in London," says the Engineering and Mining Journal, "Lord Kelvin estimated the age of the earth, since it was sufficiently cooled to become the abode of plants and animals, to be about 20,000,000 years, within limits of error perhaps ranging between 15,000,000 and 30,000,000 years. This estimate, nearly agreeing with another by Clarence King from similar physical data, has generally been regarded by geologists, says Warren Upham, in the American Geologist for October, 1897, as too short for the process of sedimentation and erosion, and for the evolution of floras and faunas, of which the earth's strata bear record. More probably, as ratios and computations by Dana, Wolcott and other geologists somewhat harmoniously indicate, the duration of time since the beginning of life on the earth has been some three to five times longer than Kelvin's estimate, or from 60,000,000 to 100,000,000 years. The larger figures imply for the dawn of life, to the development of the Cambrian and Silurian faunas, probably 50,000,000 years; thence to the end of Palezoic time, perhaps 30,000,000 years; onward through Mesozoic time, about 15,000,000 years; and, through the Tertiary era, about 5,000,000. The comparatively very short Quarternary era, having, in its organic evolution, as shown by the marine mollusca, no higher ratio to Tertiary time than 1.50, may, therefore, have occupied only about 100,000 years."

Locks Are Smaller.

There is nothing which more illustrates the progress of science and invention than the decrease in size, weight and mechanism of locks and keys since these instruments were first put in use for the purpose of keeping out intrusive strangers. Years ago these mediums to secret chambers were made of wrought iron, and were of ponderous size and weight. The nineteenth century, however, has made wonderful improvements on these instruments. Nowadays a person may carry a dozen keys in his pocket with ease that will open stronger and more intricate locks than the grotesque specimens which prevailed in the days of our grandfathers. —Baltimore American.

Gold "Dust."

The gold that remains in the pan after the earth has been washed away is called "dust." Some of it is fine as the finest sand, some the size of a pin head and some as large as a pea or the end of your little finger, but it is all known as dust. Lumps the size of a hazelnut, a walnut, and larger, are called nuggets. You can buy as much of anything you want for an ounce of dust as you can for a $20 gold piece. All stores in mining districts are provided with gold scales, and the miner's gold is accepted as so much coin of the realm.—Denver Times.

Electrocutes Insects.

A Frenchman has invented an electric trap which will cause the instant death of any vermin and insects which come into contact with it.

The House—Thursday.

In the house today a bill was passed making Santa Fe, N. M., the permanent capital of the territory.... The Lewis resolution calling upon the president for the authority under the constitution under which he negotiated a treaty that will bind the treasury to pay $4,000,000 to Hawaiian bondholders was tabled by a vote of 143 to 101.... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill.... Mr. Hartman, silver republican from Montana, got the floor on a pro forma amendment, and made a fiery attack upon the republican party, relating to bimetallism.... Without further amendment the committee rose and the Indian bill was passed. The house then immediately went back into committee and took up the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The general debate drifted quickly into the question as to whether prosperity had come with the Dingley law.... At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

After transacting some minor business the Teller resolution was laid before the senate, and after considerable discussion, it was agreed that the vote should be taken at 6 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, the last four hours of debate to be under the fifteen minutes rule. After this agreement had been reached Mr. Daniel resumed his speech began last evening. He was followed by Messrs. Lodge and Lindsey, of Kentucky, the latter with a set speech in support of the pending resolution. At the conclusion of a speech by Mr. Cockrell the senate adjourned.

The House—Friday.

This was private bill day in the house under the rules, but Mr. Grout, of Vermont, in charge of the District of Columbia appropriation bill, attempted to supplant the regular order with the consideration of that bill. This immediately caused a renewal of the fight over the bill to pay the book publishing company of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, $288,000 for damages sustained by it during the war, which had already consumed the entire time of two private bill days. The friends of the latter measure, under the leadership of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, rallied in opposition to the motion and defeated it on a rising vote—72 to 129. The roll call developed such an overwhelming majority in favor of the bill (the vote being 75 to 168) that Mr. Dalzell offered to make terms with the friends of the bill for the relief of the Methodist Book Publishing company and it was finally arranged that after debate until 4 o'clock, a vote should be taken directly on the bill. At 4 o'clock the bill was favorably reported to the house and on the demand of Mr. Dalzell, the vote on its passage was taken by yeas and nays. The bill was passed, 188 to 67..... The house then took a recess until 8 o'clock. The night session was devoted to pension legislation. No disposition to contest developed and the entire calendar of twenty-nine bills was cleared before the hour of adjournment, 10:30, arrived.

The Senate.

In accordance with agreement the senate convened at 10 a. m. today. By unanimous consent the routine business was waived, and Mr. Stewart, of Nevada, opened the last day's discussion of the Teller resolution. The entire day was devoted to the discussion, during which time many amendments to modify the resolution were made and put to a vote, all of which went down under the formidable silver majority in the senate. When the final vote was taken the vice president announced that "the yeas are 47 and the nays 32, and the resolution is agreed to." The Teller resolution is a practical reaffirmation of that of Stanley Matthews in 1878, and is as follows: "That all the bonds of the United States issued, or authorized to be issued, under the said acts of congress hereinbefore recited, are payable, principle and interest, at the option of the government of the United States in silver dollars or the coin of the United States, containing 412½ grains each of standard silver; and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principle and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."

The vote in detail:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Butler, Cannon, Carter, Chandler, Chilton, Clark, Clay, Cockrell, Daniel, Gray, Harris, Heitfeld, Jones (Ark.), Kenny, Kyle, Lindsay, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Mantle, Martin, Mills, Mitchell, Money, Morgan, Murphy, Pasco, Pettigrew, Pettus, Pritchard, Rawlings, Roach, Shoup, Smith, Stewart, Teller, Tillman, Turpie, Turner, Vest, Warren, White and Wolcott—47.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Allison, Baker, Burrows, Caffery, Cullom, Davis, Fairbanks, Foraker, Gallinger, Gear, Hale, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Hoar, Lodge, McBride, McMillan, Mason, Morrill, Nelson, Perkins, Platt (Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Quay, Sewall, Thurston, Wellington, Wetmore and Wilson—32.

Turley with Deboe. Faulkner with Elkins, Gorman with Frye, Jones (Nev) with Proctor, Walthall with Spooner.

The first named would in each case have voted with the sustaining the resolution and against the resolution and for the amendments.

There was no demonstration on the announcement, and at 7 p. m., on motion of Mr. Allison, the senate adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

At the opening of the session of the house today a bill to permit the building of a dam across the Mississippi river at Coon Rapids, at the northern limits of the city of Minneapolis, was passed. Immediately afterward the clerk of the senate appeared and transmitted the Teller resolution, which passed the senate last night. The announcement was greeted by a terrific outburst of applause from the democratic side of the house. No motion was made at the time and the resolution remained on the table.... The fortification appropriation bill was reported, and then on motion of Mr. Grout the house went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The general debate was not confined to the general subjects dealt with by the bill. It covered a wide range. The Teller resolution, the Cuban question, Hawaiian annexation, the tariff and other political topics were discussed. After completing seventeen pages of the bill the house at 5 p. m. adjourned.

THEY ARE DETERMINED.

Although Feeling Privation Deeply the Strikers Will Keep Up the Fight.

All is quiet in the New England strike cities. Although the operators are beginning to feel privation sharply there seems to be no wavering in their determination to keep up the fight. At New Bedford a larger number applied for aid at the offices of the overseers of the poor than at any time since the strike began. There severe cold weather caused great suffering.

In view of various rumors about a compromise petition which was circulated at Biddeford, the strikers have again decided by a formal vote not to return to work except under the old schedule of wages.

How Aranguren Died.

The Herald's Havana correspondent gives these details of the killing of General Nestor Aranguren, the Cuban insurgent leader: Aranguren, with a small band, was surprised in a well concealed hut in Tapaste hills by Reina battalion under command of Colonel Benedicto. The insurgent general was seated at a table writing when the Spanish troops surrounded the house. At the first volley several of the rebel band fled, but Aranguren with four others was shot.

Five Months More.

General Arioas, at Havana, has said that Spain cannot carry on war in Cuba beyond July, and if by that time Cuba is not pacified Spain will be obliged to abandon it for lack of funds. He also expresses the belief that Senor Sagasta, the Premier, and the Minister of Colonies intend to abandon the island by July next.

Forty Below Zero.

Belated reports from remote places in northern New England show that the temperature was the lowest known in many years. In Lancaster, N. H., the mercury broke all records of the past twenty-five years. Forty below zero was reported from a number of places in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont.

Lumberman Killed in Collision.

At Estell, Miss., an extra and a regular freight train on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroad collided. As a result Jack W. Aldrich, a lumberman, was killed and Fireman Williams was seriously injured.

Wants Uncle Sam's Aid.

It is stated on the most unquestionable authority that the king of Korea has asked the United States minister for protection against possible revolutions. Captain Wilder, of the cruiser Boston, refuses to land a naval force, through strongly urged to do so by the king.

The Whole Spanish Fleet.

It has been decided at Madrid that the whole Spanish fleet shall concentrate at Havana, though not immediately, unless circumstances demand.

To Form Cotton Trust.

Price, McCormick & Co., of New York, are trying to form a cotton trust. They want to halve the product and double the price. A number of Southern representatives have received letters from the biggest firm of cotton brokers asking them to become members of an advisory board for this purpose.

Philips & Dean, dealers in general merchandise at Charlton, near Eufaula, made an assignment Friday. Assets and liabilities could not be learned.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 6.

Lesson Text: "Our Father's Care," Matt. vi., 24-34—Lesson Text: I Peter, v., 7—Commentary on the Lesson Written by the Rev. Dr. D. M. Stearns.

24. "No man can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon." There are but two masters, Christ and satan, God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who in Christ have manifested their love for us and seek our eternal welfare, with all we need here made sure to us, and the devil, who controls the world and the flesh and seeks our eternal ruin, giving us as a bait some of the pleasures of sin for a season. The child of the kingdom, having received the Lord Jesus Christ and being made in Him a child and heir of God, is expected, like Abraham, to be looking for the city, and, like Moses, to have respect unto the recompense of the reward and be laying up treasure in heaven and not on the earth, affection set on things above, not on things on the earth (Col. iii., 2), ever seeking to please Him who hath called us.

25. "Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat or what ye shall drink, nor yet for your body what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?" This wonderful "I say unto you" is the New Testament equivalent of "Thus saith the Lord" and should carry with it all weight, for there is in it all power. I think you will find it fourteen times in this sermon.

26. "Behold the fowls of the air, for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?" (Luke xii., 6.) He who gave life will not withhold food for the life, and He who made the body will surely supply raiment to clothe it. Do people who worry about these things remember that they have a Father in heaven who spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all. Now shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? (Rom. viii., 32.)

27. "Which of you, by taking thought, can add one cubit unto his stature?" We can neither add one inch to our height nor a moment to our life but by the will of God. We are wholly dependent upon Him for everything, just as much as the birds and beasts and fishes, flowers and plants and trees. He is the God in whose hand our breath is, and whose are all our ways. He opens His hand and satisfies the desire of every living thing.

28. "And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin." They are simply planted, and being well rooted they grow. Thus if we will but abide in quietness, and, like the plants, trust the husbandman's care, He will see to it that our clothing shall do Him honor.

Just to let Thy Father do what He will,
Just to know that He is true and be still,
Just to follow hour by hour as He leadeth,
Just to draw the moment's power as it needeth.

29. "And yet I say unto you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these!" His glory was all put on, but the lily's glory is part of itself. Our Lord Himself is the true Lily of the valley. His glory was in Him and shone out through Him in all His words and deeds. We may put on that which to some may seem very beautiful, but the Lord looketh upon the heart, and the thread of this whole sermon is reality, the reality of the heart that is right with God.

30. "Wherefore if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?" If He clothe the perishable flowers, how much more will He clothe man, whom He has redeemed by His precious blood! He has, by a sacrifice indescribably great, provided redemption clothing for every penitent sinner, just as when the Lord God made unto Adam and to his wife coats of skins and clothed them (Gen. iii., 21). How much more will He provide the temporary clothing needed by these bodies!

31. "Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat, or what shall we drink, or wherewithal shall we be clothed?" Worry not in your heart nor give utterance to your thoughts. Fret not is a command found three times in Ps. xxxvii., 1, 7, 8, alongside of "Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." In Phil. iv., 6, it is, "Be careful (or anxious) for nothing." Dr. Weston says: "Anxiety for the things of this life is unnecessary and profitless. God knows, and God loves." He will provide, for His name is Jehovahjireh (Gen. xxii., 14, margin).

32. "(For after all these things do the gentiles seek), for your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things." Leave all worry and care to those who have no father in heaven, but trust thou in God. It would grieve us if our children seemed worried and anxious lest we might not feed and clothe them, and still more so if they should go to others for these things, for which they should look to us alone.

33. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." If I understand this, it means that having become an heir of God through faith in Christ we are to make it our one great business to hasten His kingdom and the time when He shall reign in righteousness by letting Him use us as He may please for any manner of service in the matter of making Him known to all the world. When individual believers and churches and Sunday-schools live not for their own benefit, but to obey the great commission of Math. xxviii., 19, 20; Mark xvi., 15; Luke xxiv., 47, then we shall see His exceeding abundance of blessing in every necessary way.

Make thou His service thy delight.
He'll make thy wants His care.

34. "Take therefore no thought for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." The thoughts of last lesson on living by the day are appropriate here also. We are not to say to-morrow we will do thus and so, but if the Lord will we shall live and do this or that (Jas. iv., 13-15). Neither are we to borrow to-morrow's cares, but just to-day live unto Him "in quietness and in confidence" (Isa. xxx., 15), "Doing as occasion serve thre, for God is with thee" (I Sam. x., 7).

Strength for to-day is all we need, for there never shall be a to-morrow.
To-morrow shall prove but another to-day, with its measure of joy or sorrow.

—Lesson Helper.

Snow comes down in the winter and ice goes up in the summer.

"Coasting" on the Bible.

A friend of the Listener has seen a funny sight down in Maine. At a place there, which needn't be named, there lives a small boy named Jonathan Longfellow, who is a third or fourth cousin of the poet; and he is a great boy, too. One day this friend of the Listener was driving past Jonathan's house, and saw the boy engaged at a little distance in sliding downhill, on a slippery crust on something that was not a sled. What could it be? Evidently the scrutiny of the passerby was observed by the boy, for he stopped his coasting and called out amiably: "I'm sliding downhill on the Bible!" And it was the fact, too. He had got the smooth, leathef-bound family Bible, containing the generations of all the Longfellows, and was coasting on it with magnificent success.—Boston Transcript.

That Way All Around.

Jack—That Miss Beverly, to whom I bowed just now is a regular Klondike.

Tom—That so? Rich?

Jack—Yes; also cold and distant.

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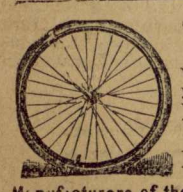

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An Oddity in Method of Construction on the Island of Malta.

There are few places in the world where one may stand and count, within range of the naked eye, thirteen domes, among which is one of considerable dimensions; yet this can be done on the island of Malta. Standing on a hill above Sliema, a short distance from Valetta, thirteen domes are within sight, and that of Mosta is one of them, towering high up above its neighbors. Mosta is a squalid village, situated about four miles from the city of Valetta, but at one time it was a town of considerable importance.

In the early part of the present century the villagers and cure, finding the old church too small to accommodate the increasing population, determined to enlarge the church or build another. The village mason was consulted, and after several confabs over the matter, it was decided to build a new church altogether, and that it must be built on the site of the old one; and it was also decided that the old church should not be removed until the new one was ready to occupy. Here was a dilemma. The whole matter, however, was left in the hands of the priest and the mason. These two men set about the work, built the new church over the old one, and as soon as it was ready the old church was carted away so rapidly that not even a single Sunday service was omitted. The great dome was built without the aid of scaffolding within, yet it is one of the largest in the world and is considered among the finest. The mason who erected this structure applied many original and novel devices that are not permissible in general building practice, yet time has proved that his methods were in the main correct, for, so far as can be discovered, the church stands as solid to-day as when built, and the great dome that surmounts the edifice shows not the least sign of movement. Here is a list of the principal domes of the world and their dimensions, showing the importance of that of Mosta:

St. Peter's, Rome, is 333 feet in height, with an interior diameter of 137 feet.

The Pantheon, Rome is only 146 feet high, but it has a diameter of 142 feet inside.

St. Maria, Florence: Height, 275 feet; diameter, 137 feet.

St. Paul's, London: Height, 220 feet; diameter, 108 feet.

Santa Sophia, Constantinople, Height, 182 feet; diameter, 107 feet.

The dome of Mosta is 200 feet high and 124 feet in diameter, being ,6 feet larger than the great dome of St. Paul's.

One of the largest domes in India, the land of domes, is that of Gol Gomuz at Beejapore, which is 175 feet high and 124 feet in diameter, ranking like that of Mosta between St. Peter's and St. Paul's. The exterior height is 198 feet. This dome covers the tomb of Mohammed Shaw, the sixth king of the Moslem dynasty in Beejapore, who died in 1689, so that the building is nearly contemporary with St. Paul's. The name signifies the "Rose Dome." The Sultan is buried under it with the simple inscription, "Sultan Mohammed, a dweller in Paradise."

Internally the extreme plainness of the Mosta dome increases its appearance of size. It is perfectly smooth, and if the exterior was as simple the building would be much more agreeable. It is built of a beautiful yellow stone, but possesses no architectural merit other than what pertains to the dome, as the building itself is disfigured with a series of mongrel carvings and mouldings of a very debased kind. —Architecture and Building.

Saved by an Alligator.

William Simpson, who lives at Pine Castle, Fla., near Lake Marie, has a small boy named Rob, who tamed an alligator and loved him dearly as if he had been a goat. The 'gator was called Pete, and proudly sported a copper ring in his head, as a civilized 'gator who knows tricks should.

One day Pete disappeared, and he stayed away for three years. In the meantime Rob received many spanking because he was continually playing with alligators and getting all sorts of scratches and bites in consequence.

Now comes the queer part of the story, that recalls the interposition of fairy godmothers. Rob was making overtures to a big alligator one day, and the saurian came at him with his large, open countenance, and the little boy began to say his prayers.

Just in the nick of time another 'gator appeared, and the first 'gator had a fight on his hands. When the fight was over Rob discovered that his alligator ally was the long-lost Pete, grown, indeed, but still wearing his stamped copper ring.

This time Pete stayed, and people go for miles to see the youngster ride about on his back.—Chicago News.

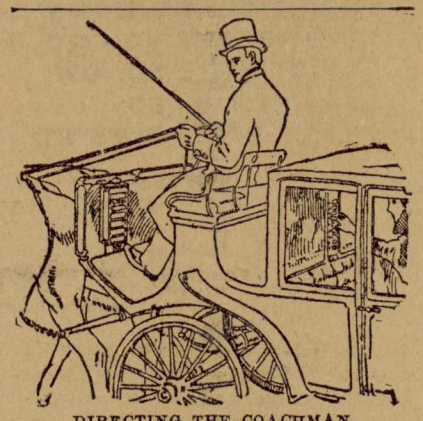
Significant Advertisement.

A notice displayed in a Brisbane shop window throws some light on the mixed character of the unemployed in Queensland. It runs thus: "Wanted, some men for a township, accustomed to horses, who are not afraid of hard work. Good wages. No doctors, journalists, clerks, sons of English noblemen, or larrikins need opply."—Westminster Gazette.

SIGNALS FOR COACHMAN.

How His Movements May Be Controlled by a Push Button Device.

The luxurious French, having tasted of the comfort and desirability of electric lamps in their railroad coaches and automobile carriages, have now adopted it for use on ordinary horse-drawn cabs. While the storage batteries necessary for this are quite an additional load for the cabs, yet anything to surpass one's neighbor is fashion's dictum the world over. Added to this innovation is a method of signaling the driver instead of having to twist one's neck into a most uncomfortable position to speak to cabby through the little trapdoor. The proposed Parisian improvement provides a small box in front of the driver, on which, by pressing various buttons inside the cab, the following words appear in a red light: "Left," "right," "walk," "faster," "stop," "turn," "home" and "slower."



DIRECTING THE COACHMAN.

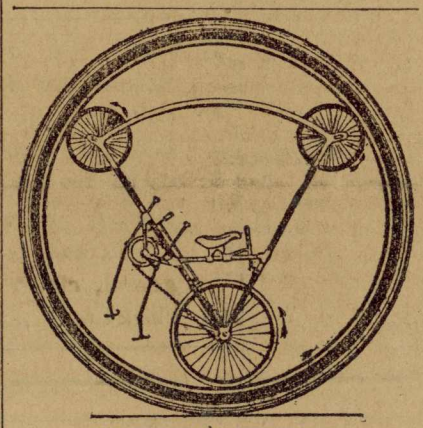
As the electric power is required for the lamps, this little signal box consumes but an inappreciable amount of current and is of the greatest assistance.

NEWEST UNICYCLE.

Boston Man Cleverly Treats This Fascinating Subject.

Just what value there is in a unicycle has never been successfully proven, yet inventors go on turning out new examples with striking regularity. Mr. Thos. Tolson, of Boston, is the creator of the latest example in unicycles, which has been described as follows:

Within the outer rim is arranged a triangular frame, with a guide wheel at each point, the lower one of the three wheels serving as a driving wheel in addition.



MR. TOLSON'S UNICYCLE.

Each crank of the driving sprocket has a double arm pivoted to its outer end. The downwardly extending arm has a stirrup to be operated by the foot, and the upwardly extending arm has a handle for hand service. The saddle is arranged to be moved back and forth on its carrying bar.

A Benefactress' Kind Act.

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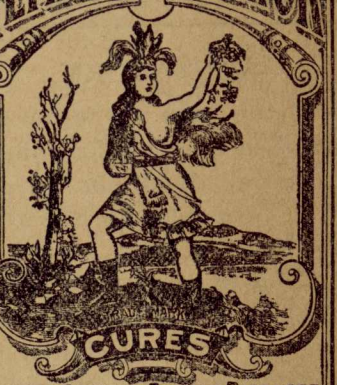

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SALUTATORY.

With this issue of the News, I have taken charge of its editorial department. It will be the purpose of this paper in the future, to put forth every effort toward the upbuilding of Montevallo and vicinity. It will be non partizan in every way. We will from time to time reveal the rare mineral resourses of our community, and always hold out open arms to those who will come to us with various enterprises. We will, in noway overlook the interest of the farmer and will make the paper as interesting to him as we possibly can. In taking charge of this paper, I want to say that all contracts and etc., must be made with me in person. Hoping that we will have the hearty co operation of all interested, I am

Most Respectfully,
BURGESS LITTLE.

Our town is expecting to have a broom factory in the near future.

A company of men, with a large capital, intend coming to this town in the near future with a long distance telephone. Our town will gladly welcome such an enterprise, but we want electric lights first.

In another year we expect to see the farmers of our neighborhood raising broom corn, which will sell at the highest market price at their doors. instead of embarking both soul and body in the five-cent king-cotton product. Such a movement would bring more prosperity than a dozen presidential elections.

We acknowledge the receipt of the first number of the Afro-American Eagle, an educational journal published by the colored people of Montevallo. Rev. T. S. Johnson is editor. We wish the Eagle much success. We are glad to see the colored people taking such an interest in the educational welfare of their own race.

OUR BROOM FACTORY.

Mr. W. D. Lanier, who has recently introduced into Bibb county the manufacture of brooms, is contemplating moving his entire plant to this place. Montevallo is peculiarly adapted to manufacturing enterprises, having, as it were, lying at her door the exhaustless Montevallo coal fields, and running through the centre of town is a beautiful stream, which affords unlimited water power. Adjacent to the city lies a field enclosing about 120 acres of the most fertile land, which, if planted in broom corn, would yield an income of $70 an acre.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Dr. Bush, of Stowe, Miss., a brother of Miss Edna Bush, was among our honored and most welcomed guests Saturday night.

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Mr. Will Reynolds remarked to one of the girls that he deserved her sympathy for having assigned to him the arduous task of holding back a certain tree.

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Some of our sentimentally inclined girls have, within the last few days, demonstrated quite an affinity for shrubbery.

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On last Saturday evening, January 22d, the Atalantae Club had as its guests its sister clubs, the "Cosmos" and "Nautilus," but owing to the inclemency of the weather all of the members did not attend.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Pattie Barnett, after the reading of the following minutes: On Saturday evening January 8th, the Atalantae Club waived its social features and devoted itself to the election and installation of the following officers:
President, Miss Pattie Barnett.
Vice President, Miss Fannie Burke.
Secretary, Miss Alma Feagin.
Treasurer, Miss Anna Adams.
Scientist, Miss Lula Fowler.
Bookman, Miss Effie Garlington.
Reporter, Miss Willie Mae Crawford
Pianist, Miss Hettie Barnett.

The social part of the programme was then carried out.

Miss Lavinia Fuller, who came first, played "Recodolci," evincing superior musical skill.

Next was a vocal duet by Misses Pittman and Feagin. They sang the old, but ever new, "Alice, Where Art Thou?"

Miss Ree Ogletree recited the poem, "You Put No Flowers on My Father's Grave,', in a pathetic manner.

Miss Annie Mae Burton, appropriately called "The Nightingale of the School," sang delightfully "Asthore."

Misses Hettie Barnett and Nellie Meyer charmed their hearers by playing respectively on the piano and mandolin "In Old Madrid."

"Christmas in Camp," the next number, was recited by Miss Annastasia Pittman, who showed great elocutionary talent.

A trio, "Jessie of Argyle," was well rendered by Misses Barnett, Pittman and Burton.

Next was a piano solo by Miss Lula Fowler, which gave evidence of her rare ability as a musician.

Miss Julia Gray, our popular comic recitationist, rendered with her usual skill "How the Freckled-faced Girl Entertained the Missionary."

The society then adjourned, after which "Terpsichore" reigned supreme.

REPORTER.

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

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W. D. Lanier of Blocton was in town last Friday and Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Reynolds of Blocton visited Montevallo last Sunday.

Dr. Wilkinson and wife, of Prattville, visited their son here this week.

Mr. Burgess Little, the banker, has let a contract for a stylish residence.

Miss Sallie Penny, of Piedmont came down Saturday to enter the Industrial at this place.

Dr. Bush and his mother from Macon, Miss, are visiting Miss Edna Bush, one of the teachers in the school.

A broom factory and steam laundry are being talked of here and strong probabilities of both being organized.

Miss Nellie Evans, teacher of scientific cooking, gave a delightful chafing dish party to a few friends Friday night.

Editor Hutchings of Rockford, was in our city this week. Mr. Hutchings is one of the oldest news paper men in the state.

Dr. E. A. Wilson of Birmingham will be in our city from the 9th to the 12th of this month prepared to do all kinds of dental work.

Mr. C. C. Vandergritt has sold his dairy place to Pleas Shaw of Aldrich. Mr. Vandergrift says his ad in the News did the work.

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Mrs. R. E. Neil, of Selma will give an elocutionary recital here one night next week. "Betsy Hamilton" is also billed for the near future.

The people of this vicinity will be glad to learn that Prof. Guckenberger and his wife, are expected to appear here soon in a musical recital.

Dr. D L Wilkinson has been appointed to represent Shelby County at the Convention of the State Medical Association at Birmingham in April.

Contracts have been let for the erection of a modern brick drug store on Main street. It will be managed by Mr. W. B. McLuny. of Mississippi.

Dr. F. F. Crowe has just received a large assortment of St. Valentine pictures. We expect the girls will recognize their sweetheart in the comic department.

The Western Union Telegraph Offiice will be moved up town in the near future. Mr. D W. Shivers will have charge and will locate it either at the bank or his residence

Capt. H. C Reynolds has returned from Washington, where he has been for several weeks lobbying for the passage of the land appropriation bill for the school here. He will return later on and has strong hopes the bill will become a law.

Rev. P. L. Abernathy is in correspondence with Rev. Dr. S. A. Steele. of Nashville, Tenn., trying to induce him to come here in the interest of Epworth League, and also deliver his excellent lecture on "Home Life in Dixie during the war."

A pleasant evening is in store for every one who attends the elocution and Delsarte recital, given under the direction of Mrs. R. E. L. Niel, a talented artist, in the chapel of the Girls' Industrial School on Friday evening, February 4th, at 8 o'clock. Admission 25 cents. Pupils 10 cts.

By far the most important steps ever taken for Montevallo is the movement to get the Louisville and Nashville railroad to extend its Mineral branch from Calera on to Montevallo and tap the Montevallo coal mines at Aldrich and the Montevallo Lump Coal Company's mines at Dogwood and on to the coal fields beyond. This extension has been talked of for some time but the matter is now taking definite form and bids are being made to induce the Louisville and Nashville to come in. This means much to Montevallo and the adjacent country and especially the two mines that it will tap.

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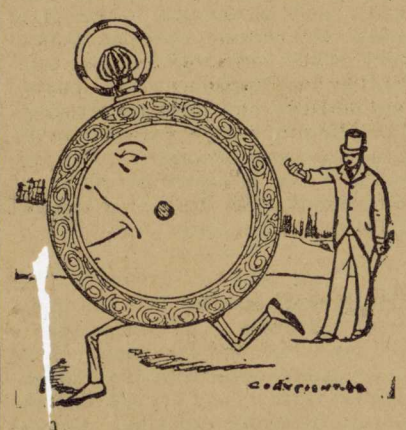

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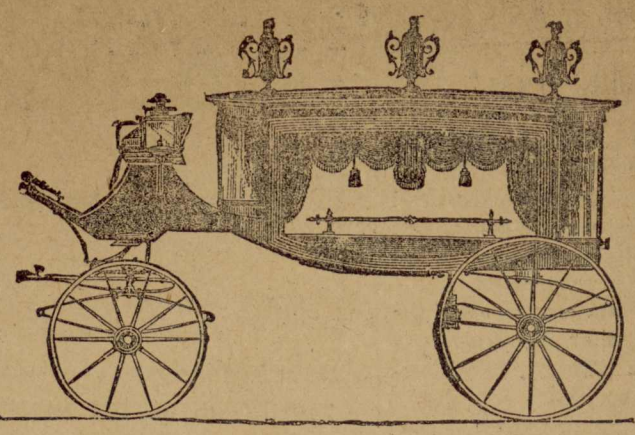

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In September twenty-five years had elapsed since Switzerland got its first railway—from Zurich to Berne.

The value of the churches and the land on which they are erected, in this country, up to July 1, 1897, is estimated at $680,000,000.

Previous to ten years ago titled men in England would not act as Mayors of towns, but at the recent elections over a dozen members of the nobility were elected, chief among whom is the Duke of Devonshire, who is Mayor of Eastbourne.

The London Chronicle questions the wisdom of erecting a statue of George Washington in London. D. C. Murray, the novelist, is proposing a National subscription to erect the statue and Messrs. Bayard and Hay have approved of the scheme. In discussing the matter the Chronicle says: "Like all near relatives, England and America quarrel now and then. Perhaps some day it might occur to a boisterous jingo to make the statue of the father of his people the subject of an unedifying demonstration."

A story is in circulation at the Court of the Hague concerning the young Queen of Holland which is destined to illustrate that she fully shares the pronounced aversion of her subjects for Germany, and prefers in every respect the French. It seems that on the last occasion when she met Emperor William she insisted on responding in French to the remarks which he addressed to her in German, and on his asking her why she did not speak German, she tartly replied that it was merely because she preferred French.

The cost of the last census as far as computed is stated at an aggregate of $11,553,462.50, that amount of money having been appropriated for expenses by Congress. It is pointed out by the Philadelphia Record that "this was at the rate of nineteen cents per capita for the whole population in 1890 of 62,622,250 persons. If the statistics obtained had been of reasonable accuracy, and if they could have been tabulated and given to the public in reasonable time, the expenditure would not have been deemed excessive. But doubt of the verity of the statistics and delay in the publication have gone far to bring the propriety of such large expenditure into question. Either inquiry should be less elaborate or more scientific."

While there is no doubt, states the New York Observer, that dissatisfaction with the pretensions of the emperor and with his methods of government is a potent cause of the prevalent discontent in Germany, the fact remains that the chief cause of unrest is economic rather than political. It is not so much the suppression of political liberty and the reactionary legislation which the Junker following of the emperor is trying to push through the Prussian Landtag and in turn through the Reichstag, that excites discontent, as it is the poverty of the people, the fact that there is not enough wealth to go round. The internal development of Germany and the expansion of German trade since the formation of the empire have been so great that it is difficult to realize that the empire rests upon an inadequate economic basis, and that the brave front which it shows serves to hide a poverty in some sections approaching that, though without the squalor, of the English industrial districts seventy years ago. But statistics taken from the tax returns of Prussia seem conclusive on this point, showing, for example, that although the limit of taxation is drawn at the low income of $225, but 8.46 per cent. of the population of the kingdom pay an income tax, leaving more than ninety-one per cent. who must make ends meet in some way on less than $225 per year. Only one person in every 550 of population has an income of $2400 a year, and only 37,000 of the 32,000,000 of Prussia possess wealth representing an income of $7500 a year.

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS OF A GREAT STATE.

A REVIEW OF THE COTTON MILL INDUSTRY IN ALABAMA.

Bright Prospects for Railroad Building in Several Parts of the State—Election Committee Assail State Laws—Aldrich Declared the Representative from the Fourth—Big Coal Trade With Central America—Other Briefs.

SOUTHERN COTTON MILLS.

Some Interesting Figures Concerning the Building of Mills in Alabama.

The growth of the cotton mill industry in the south for 1897 was nothing short of phenomenal. In Alabama alone over $1,500,000 was expended on new cotton mills.

At Birmingham the Avondale cotton mills were erected, and will make print cloths. Capital stock, $600,000. It contains 35,000 spindles and 1,100 looms.

At Cordova—The Indian Head cotton mill will manufacture sheeting. Capital stock, $600,000; spindles, 25,000; looms, 800.

At Montgomery—The People's cotton factory, with a capital of $200,000. It contains 10,000 spindles.

At Oxford—The Blue Springs Cotton Manufacturing Company, to make yarns. Capital stock, $50,000; spindles, 5,000.

At Speigner's—The state prison mill, to manufacture sheeting. It contains 5,000 spindles.

At Anniston—The knitting mills of the Anniston Hosiery Company, to manufacture children's hosiery. Removed from Jacksonville, Ala.

At Huntsville—The Huntsville knitting mills; 16 knitting machines.

The following enlargements and improvements were made:

At Piedmont—The Coosa Manufacturing Company added 5,000 spindles.

At Tuskaloosa—The J. Snow Hardware Company added 80 looms.

A number of new mills and improvements are projected, and it is probable that those here given will be built this year:

A duplicate of the Indian Head cotton mill at Cordova.

At Greenville—The Wellchester cotton mill.

The Birmingham Cotton Manufacturing Company will double its plant.

The Selma Cotton Mill Company will double its present capacity of of 5,000 spindles.

At Thomasville—The Magnolia Manufacturing Company; capital stock, $150,000; 10,000 spindles.

At Decatur—Knitting mills; capital, $16,000.

The following new mills were erected in the south last year:

Alabama—Mills, 5; spindles, 80,000; looms, 2,292.

Florida—Mills, 1; spindles, 2,000; looms, ——.

Georgia—Mills, 7; spindles, 45,000; looms, 626.

Louisiana—Mills, 1; spindles, 1,500; looms, 10.

North Carolina—Mills, 9; spindles, 38,000; looms, 80.

South Carolina—Mills, 11; spindles, 95,000; looms, 2,472.

Tennessee—Mills, 3; spindles, ——; looms, 192.

Total mills, 37; total spindles, 256,780; total looms, 5,672.

ALABAMIANS

Who Are Officers on the Big Battleship Maine.

It may be of local interest that most of the officers on the battleship Maine, now in Havana harbor, are southern men. Two of them are from Louisiana—Wat T. Cluverius, appointed from the Second congressional district, 1891, and graduated third in his class in 1895; David F. Boyd, Jr., a native of Louisiana, but appointed from the Third Alabama district. Both of these are naval cadets. Two others are lieutenants, one of them being John Hood, of Florence, Ala., and I. J. Blandin, of South Alabama. Another Alabamian among the officers is Arthur Crenshaw, appointed to Annapolis from the Second district.

Good Roads for Morgan.

Morgan county has made a decided move in the direction of good roads by appropriating $15,000 to be expended each year upon the roads of the county, and the first work was done on them the past summer.

Industrial Activity in Franklin.

The Midland Ore Company, a corporation organized recently with large financial resources, has leased the property of the Hamilton Creek Ore Company, located at Hematite, Franklin county, and will soon be running and shipping ore at the rate of 400 to 800 tons per day. During the last year the latter company has expended over $1,000,000 building a washing machine, constructing railway tracks, etc., and in all its business transactions never had a law suit nor a strike, and doesn't owe a dollar. Fully 400 laborers will be employed. The ore will be consumed by the Sheffield furnaces.

ALABAMA GOLD.

Sixteen Mines Are in Operation, Employing Many Thousands.

There is extraordinary activity in the Alabama gold fields in Cleburne county. The mines are all working a good force of men, and the output is the greatest in their history. A large number of new faces were seen in the Arbacoochee and Fruithurst regions this week, prospectors from the east being most in evidence. Among recent transactions was the purchase of several mines by English prospectors. Sixteen mines are in active daily operation and fine quartz has been discovered at some of them. The Eudora mine has recently put in machinery and electric dynamos, and many others are preparing to do the same thing. Several thousand men are in the field and the force is increasing daily. The industry has developed slowly and gradually for three years, but now appears to be firmly and successfully established.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Huntsville now claims a population of 14,000.

Selma is shipping cotton direct to Japan. Twelve bands are put upon each bale.

The body of an unknown man was found in Limestone Creek in Limestone county.

The Dallas county court house is to have a new fire proof vault. The cost is to be $5,000.

St. Stephens is soon to be connected with the outer world by telephone line to Carson, on the Mobile and Birmingham railroad.

J. W. Ferguson, of Aurora, lost $1,350 in greenbacks from his pocket while driving from Aurora to Guntersville. The money has not yet been recovered.

Flomaton and vicinity is now undergoing a thorough system of disinfection at the hands of the United States Marine Hospital Service, in charge of Past Assistant Surgeon Oakley.

The body of J. Shelby McCown, formerly of Tullahoma, Tenn., was found in a creek near Belle Mina, Madison county, last week. It had probably been in the water for a month.

A. O. McCord, a prominent citizen of Guntersville, and agent for the Southern Express Company and N. C. & St. L. R. R., skipped from that place the past week with the proceeds of twenty bales of cotton.

M. & O. Extension Nearing Completion.

The building of the Montgomery extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad is progressing very rapidly. Track is laid twenty-five miles east of Tuskaloosa, and will reach Centreville, or the Cahaba river, early next week. The bridge at Tuskaloosa is nearly complete. All the false work has been torn away, and about all that remains to be finished now is the painting. The depot buildings, shops, round houses, etc., are being rapidly completed, the brick walls of these buildings being now complete. Messrs. M. T. Lewman & Co., contractors for all the depot buildings on the line, are having all the buildings framed at this point, which means the expenditure of an immense amount at Tuskaloosa. One hundred and forty-nine buildings are to be erected.

Lively Traffic in Cattle.

A stock train was handled by the Louisville and Nashville railroad, starting from Calera, thirty miles below here, the past week. There were seventeen cars of stock in the train, twelve of which will come from Selma and the other five cars from Montgomery. The train, as far as local officials are aware, will be run to Louisville. The stock is but another lot of the number of shipments of cattle made out of this state in the past few months to the west.

Convention Delegates Appointed.

The governor has appointed the following delegates to the southern interstate quarantine convention: Hon. John B. Knox, of Anniston; Dr. H. A. Moody, of Mobile; Hon. H. A. Sharpe, of Birmingham; Mr. W. F. Vandiver, Montgomery; Capt. John M. Bridges, of Selma.

Pierced With a Rifle Ball.

Milton West, a prominent farmer of Mountainsboro, was out in the woods looking after some timber. Bill Massey, one of his neighbors, slipped up behind him and shot West through the head with a rifle. No cause for the deed can be learned.

ALDRICH IS GIVEN THE SEAT.

House Committee Severely Arraigns Alleged Alabama Frauds.

An unusually severe arraignment of alleged election frauds is made in the report filed by the house committee on elections No. 1, in the case of William F. Aldrich against Thomas S. Plowman, from the fourth district of Alabama.

Mr. Plowman is the sitting member, but the committee submits a recount of the vote giving Aldrich, republican and populist candidate, the seat.

The report says in part:

"We shall endeavor to demonstrate by what methods the will of the people was thwarted. In doing so, not all of the frauds perpetrated will be referred to; only salient features can be touched and representative instances cited.

"If the election laws of Alabama had been designed to encourage fraud and thwart the people's will, they could not have been in some respects more happily framed to meet that purpose."

After criticising the Alabama election as putting the honest vote at the mercy of dishonest markers, the report says:

"When it is known that the condition for such a state of facts exists, it is not strange that illiterate voters should remain away from the polls, in the hope that they would at least not furnish ammunition for their political opponents. But this made little difference to the democratic managers in Dallas county. They voted the illiterate colored men, present or absent. The machinery was simple and effective. Fortunately it has been discovered, and the details of its operations laid bare. Fraud is everywhere; not lurking or secret, but bold and insolent. It is chiefly of five kinds:

"1. Fraudulently padding the poll list with names of persons not registered; sometimes of fictitious persons and sometimes of persons who did not live in the precinct.

"2. By padding the poll list with names of persons on the registration list who did not vote.

"3. By imposing on illiterate voters.

"4. By the old-fashioned method of falsely recording voters.

"5. By refuisng to hold any election at all in certain strong republican precincts."

After going into much detail on alleged frauds, the committee says it has revised the vote on the most conservative lines, giving Aldrich a plurality of 542, whereas the election of Plowman was claimed by 2,967 plurality.

FORESTALLING BRITAIN.

Alabama Shipping Coal to Central American Ports.

Alabama's export coal trade is on a boom again. So heavy has the movement become that the Louisville and Nashville railroad has put on two extra freight trains to handle the business to gulf ports. The coal is being shipped to Mobile, Pensacola, Port Tampa and Brunswick, where it is loaded to Central American points. Belize, which has heretofore been supplied by the English, is now buying from Alabama, and there are prospects of building up a large coal trade in the Latin-American countries. The recent granting of a differential in all rail and water rates has served to boost export coal movements.

Will Shake Up the Boys.

It is understood that it is the intention of Governor Johnston to have a rigid inspection and examination of all the companies comprising the Alabama National Guard, and to see that the laws are faithfully executed. Companies that have negligently lost arms and accoutrements, that have failed to comply with the law in reference to drills, and have allowed their numbers to fall below the minimum will be disbanded. There are a number of applications for enlistment so that there will be no trouble to supply any needed vacancy.

Will Report Against Buckley.

A report came from Washington that Postmaster Buckley, of Montgomery, is going to be turned down. Buckley was nominated for the Montgomery office during the recess and has been dispensing the mail since then. His nomination is one of many pending before the senate committee on postoffices and its confirmation has been bitterly fought by some of his fellow republicans on charges involving irregularities of several kinds. His case, with others from Alabama, was referred to a sub-committee, that committee agreed to report it adversely.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

President Dole, of the Hawaiian republic, is now in Washington.

There are now 103 registered whisky distilleries at work in the Raleigh, N. C., district.

A heavy earthquake was felt at Helena, Ark., the past week. No serious damage was done.

Twelve distinct shocks from an earthquake were felt at Tehuantepec, Mexico, Friday morning.

Spain has decided to send the first-class cruiser, Infanta Maria Teresa, to America instead of the Vizcaya.

According to official reports at Bombay, India, there have been 643 deaths from the bubonic plague during the past week.

Trouble has broken out again between the blacks and whites of Lonoke county, Arkansas, and a race war is threatened.

Chicago parties will erect a school at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., for the education of the people of the mountain district.

United States officers will arrest many people charged with helping to burn the two Seminole Indians in Oklahoma territory.

It is announced in a special dispatch from Shanghai that four German sailors have been murdered by the Chinese. This will give Emperor William a chance to seize another Chinese port.

The bodies of Mrs. Jane Corbett and Stephen Bennett, snatched from the Eagleville, Tenn., cemetery, were recovered at Burlington, Vt., and brought back. One arrest was made, a Dr. Hiemack.

A can of kerosene oil exploded in the boiler house of the Beenville Cement company's mill at Rosendale, Pa., setting fire to the mill and storage house. Both were totally destroyed. Loss, $100,000; fully covered by insurance.

Herman Breetz and Henry Goettel were arrested in St. Augustine, Fla., suspected of train wrecking and attempting to rob the East Coast pay train, also of burning the San Marco hotel at St. Augustine some weeks ago.

At London a majority of the engineers have voted in favor of accepting the terms of the employers. The exact figures have not yet been divulged, but the proportion is said to be about 25,000 in favor of acceptance to 11,000 against it.

It is said that the United States minister to Hayti, Wm. F. Powell, has been recalled at the request of the German government on account of his connection with the Lueders incident, which resulted in Germany sending warships to Hayti to collect indemnity.

At St. Joseph, Mich., the steamer City of Duluth, which struck the bar outside the harbor piers, and went ashore during a gale, has broken in two in the center, and the wreck is pounding badly. The life-saving crew saved the crew, consisting of about twenty-five, and the few passengers aboard.

BIG COTTON MILL FOR GEORGIA.

A Northern Company Will Build a Large Mill in the South.

A decision has been reached by the New York Cotton Mills Company of Utica to practically move its colassal plants to Georgia. In Utica, N. Y., there are four large cotton mill companies, the Mohawk Valley, Utica Steam Cotton, the Capron and the New York mills. Together their series of mills are Utica's principal industry and more than 5,000 persons are employed there.

The New York Mills Company has decided to meet the southern competition by establishing an immense mill in Georgia. The company's plans have not been entirely made public, though an announcement to that effect has been given out, but the exact location is withheld. The capitalization will be $1,000,000.

Mysteriously Murdered.

William H. Mann, night clerk at the Arlington hotel in Pulaski, Tenn., and about 62 years of age, met his death in the passageway of the hotel Saturday morning under very mysterious circumstances. He was in the dining-room ten minutes before he was found lying on his face dead. From the nature of his wounds on the head there are strong suspicions that he was murdered. Mann formerly lived in Birmingham, Ala.

Receiver Asked For.

In the chancery court at Mobile Huniosco Austill filed a bill praying for a receiver for the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City railroad, alleging that the road is insolvent and not able to pay its debts. He claims that he is a stockholder to the amount of $12,000, and that the road is otherwise indebted to him for services rendered as president in the sum of $25,000.

Demands Weyler's Imprisonment.

The public prosecutor of Spain demands a sentence upon Lieutenant-General Weyler of two months' imprisonment.

CHAPTER X—(Continued.)

"Mr. Paxton, I presume," said Stanmore.

"Yes, sir, at your service," responded the detective."

"Then I have a note of introduction for you," said Stanmore, and he presented a letter, which Paxton read, after which he arose and shook hands with the old gentleman warmly.

Stanmore's introductory letter was written by the Chief of the New York City police, and it stated that the bearer, Richard Stanmore, Esq., was the writer's personal friend.

The letter concluded in these words:

"Any assistance you may render Mr. Stanmore, who will make his business known, will be duly appreciated by myself and well remembered by the gentleman in question, who is a man of vast wealth."

The letter was duly signed.

"Mr. Paxton," said Stanmore, "I have interested myself in the case of the murder of my old friend, John Oakburn, and I desire to especially engage you to solve the mystery of his fate."

"I am already working up the case on my own account."

"Very well, I will add an incentive which will perhaps not be ill-advised. Find the assassin of John Oakburn and secure his conviction and I pledge myself to pay you the sum of $25,000 cash, the day the work is done," said Stanmore.

"That is a small fortune; I am yours. I shall work for money as well as fame, now," said Paxton.

"Good, and now I wish to give you a few items of information," continued Stanmore, and he went on to tell Paxton of his discovery that the marked money was in the possession of Pratt and Weeks.

Previously to his appearance at Garrison's office, and before he knew that the money missing from the broker's safe was marked, Stanmore had chanced to be in Pratt & Weeks' office and he saw the latter counting a large sum of money and noted, without thinking of the significance of his discovery, that each note was marked with a small red "V," as the banker said the money paid John Oakburn was marked.

"We must get hold of the marked money; I'll take out a search warrant," said Paxton.

"No," said Stanmore, emphatically, "I object to that. I know the devilish cunning of those scoundrels. They would find a way to get the money beyond your reach the moment you presented yourself with your warrant of search—if, as I suspect is the case, they have not already cunningly secreted the money. No, no, Pratt & Weeks must not know that anyone possesses the knowledge that they have the stolen money. Eventually, however, I pledge you that they shall be made to pay out the stolen money under circumstances which will make any attempt at denial of their knowledge that it was stolen futile."

"Perhaps some stratagem may accomplish that. I fancy you have no love for Messrs. Pratt & Weeks," said Paxton regarding Stanmore curiously.

"I love justice. But listen; Levi Kredge, Mr. Garrison's janitor, is a man upon whom suspicion may rest," answered Stanmore, and he went on to tell how he had seen Kredge come out of the private entrance of Pratt & Weeks' office and the reasons he had for suspecting that he was a spy employed by Pratt and partner to watch Garrison.

Such suspicions Stanmore entertained from the moment when he knew that Kredge was listening at the door of the interior department of Garrison's office.

At this moment the conversation between Stanmore and Paxton was interrupted. A man whom the detective recognized as a night watchman employed on the block where Garrison's office was situated, entered.

CHAPTER XI.

The appearance of the watchman was a source of the greatest satisfaction to the detective. He had desired to question him, but had been unable to do so by reason of the man's absence. He had been called away from the city on the day preceding the night of the murder.

Paxton greeted the watchman familiarly, addressing him by the name of Kemp.

"I want to speak with you in private, Mr. Paxton," said the watchman.

"You can speak fearlessly before this gentleman," answered Paxton.

"All right, sir. I heard you were asking for me at my house, and though I just returned from the country, I hurried to call here. You know my beat is around the block in which Jason Garrison's office, where the murder was committed, is located."

"Yes, and I wish to ask if you had noted any suspicious circumstance which might be important for me to know. The man who supplied your place on the night of the murder had nothing to tell me."

"Well, I saw something. Last Monday night—two nights before the murder—I saw a man prowling about Mr. Garrison's office. He was at work at the street door when I discovered him. Thinking to arrest him, I tried to take him by surprise, but just as I was about to seize him, he discovered me. Then he was off like a shot. I pursued him, but he gave me the slip after all. I obtained a good look at his face though when he turned and saw me at the door."

"This is news, certainly," said Paxton, as the watchman paused.

"But I have not told you all," the latter added. "After I gave up the chase of the man I discovered at the door of Garrison's office, I returned there and made an examination. I found wax on the keyhole, and of course I knew at once the fellow had been taking a wax impression."

"Describe the man," said Paxton.

"He was a well-made young fellow, with light hair and mustache and blue eyes. There was a small scar across one of his eyebrows, I think. That's the best I can do for you in the way of a description; you know I only had a glance at him," replied the watchman.

"This account of the man seen at the office door accords with the description Stuart Harland gave of the man who took his overcoat," said the detective.

"I think I could recognize the fellow again if I were to see him," said the watchman.

Paxton asked several more questions and then the watchman took his departure. Stanmore, too, withdrew and the detective found himself alone.

The watchman's story had confirmed his theory that the man who had the skeleton keys and wax impressions was the assassin of John Oakburn or the confederate of the murderer.

But Paxton determined to place Levi Kredge under surveillance, for he entertained a suspicion of the janitor which had been materially strengthened by the information that Stanmore had given him.

That very day the detective placed one of his most reliable assistants on Kredge's track, and he also directed another co-laborer to shadow the brokers—Pratt & Weeks.

The quest for the man who had taken Stuart Harland's coat and whom the watchman had seen at the door of Garrison's office was continued, and Paxton began to think he had the game well in hand.

Little did he anticipate the startling and mysterious developments that were to follow, as he advanced in the campaign against the mysterious assassin.

When Stanmore found himself in the street at the conclusion of his interview with Paxton, he turned to a cab stand, and, entering one of those convenient vehicles, he directed the driver to proceed to the residence of Jason Garrison.

"Marks & Bock have informed me that Pratt & Weeks are the unfortunate broker's pressing creditors. The loss of the money which has found its way into the hands of those Wall street bandits may place Garrison at their mercy," said Stanmore, mentally.

While he was approaching Jason Garrison's home Daniel Pratt was leaving the broker's residence.

An hour previously, while Garrison was wondering why he had not yet heard from his importunate creditors, there came a loud ring at the doorbell, and a servant admitted Pratt.

Garrison received him in the library, and a stormy scene ensued. Recriminations were exchanged, and both men were enraged. Pratt persistently demanded his money, and controlling his passion said:

"On account of the loss which you have sustained by the robbery, we have delayed calling on you, but now we can wait no longer."

"You know I am unable to meet your demand. The theft of the money with which I had meant to pay you prevents my doing so. If you would grant me time?"

"Impossible; my partner will not consent."

"Can I make no terms with you?"

Pratt did not immediately answer, but he made the transit of the room several times, while he furtively glanced at Garrison.

Finally, as though he had arrived at a decision upon some point which he had been considering, he said in a low voice:

"Mr. Garrison, there is one way in which all this might be arranged without inconvenience to yourself——"

"How do you mean?" asked Garrison, eagerly.

"I admire your daughter!"

"Sir!" thundered the broker.

"Hear me; I am honorable in what I say. I would make your daughter Edna my wife."

"Never! Never!"

"But if you consent your debt will be canceled. I promise you that."

"Your proposition is an insult. I would choose rather to see my daughter in her grave. Go! Leave my house, you infernal scoundrel, for I shall do you an injury," cried Garrison.

White with rage Pratt hastened from the room, but at the door he paused and hurled back the threat:

"I'll turn you into the street; I'll beggar you unless you think better of this. You shall have one more chance. I'll call at 6 o'clock for your final answer."

The street door banged behind him a moment later.

Edna Garrison had heard all.

It chanced she was in an apartment adjoining the library, and the voices of the two men, raised in anger as they were, reached her distinctly.

Edna joined her father as soon as he was alone.

"You are my own dear, dear father. You spurned that villain as you should have done!" she cried, throwing her arms about his neck.

Jason Garrison caressed the golden head that nestled affectionately on his bosom, and he said:

"The future looks dark for us, my dear. My greatest hope now is that I may be able to negotiate a loan on my Colorado property. I did not dare to mortgage it before for fear of spoiling the sale, which I thought was sure to be made. Fortunately, Pratt & Weeks do not know that I own real estate in Colorado and they will not seize that."

"We will hope for the best, father," answered Edna, cheerfully.

A few moments subsequently, while father and daughter were still conversing, the bell rang again, and immediately the broker's servant presented Richard Stanmore's card.

"Stanmore," muttered Garrison, "I know no one of that name, but you may show the gentleman here."

Edna retired, and Stanmore entered the broker's office.

Stanmore introduced himself, and a short conversation ensued which we need not dwell upon.

Suffice it to say that when Richard Stanmore took his departure, as he presently did, Jason Garrison held his check for the sum of seventy-eight thousand dollars.

"You have saved me from ruin," said Garrison, whose gratitude was boundless, as they parted at the door.

"Do not mention it, sir. It affords me pleasure to think that I am foiling the plot of Pratt & Weeks to ruin you. Ours has been merely a business transaction. I have loaned you a sum of money; you have given me valuable Colorado property as security for the loan. You have nothing to thank me for. Rather should I be grateful to you for the opportunity to block one of those villainous games. I'll crush those vipers yet!" answered Stanmore.

His last words were uttered in a fierce voice, full of intensity, and Garrison felt that in him the Wall-street villains, Pratt & Weeks, had a dangerous foe.

Stanmore pressed Garrison's hand, and a moment later he had left the house into which he had brought hope and joy.

True to his promise, Pratt called at the Garrison residence promptly at six o'clock that evening, but, acting upon his master's instructions, the servant refused to admit him.

Pratt left the door fuming with rage and vowing vengeance.

What was his surprise, however, upon returning to his office to learn that during his absence Jason Garrison had called and settled his indebtedness in full.

"Where did he get the money?" demanded the irate schemer?

"Therein is the mystery," answered Weeks.

"My scheme has failed. With the father in my power and the lover in prison charged with murder, I meant to bring the girl to my terms," muttered Pratt, and after a moment's reflection he added:

"But the game may not be entirely lost yet. Edna Garrison may not be beyond my reach after all."

Pratt's motive for wishing to fasten the crime of John Oakburn's murder on Stuart Harland is clearly discernible now. The conspirator regarded the young man with all the hatred such a nature as his could feel for a successful rival. He had determined to wed Edna Garrison. Stuart was an obstacle in his way to be removed. But Pratt was one who was invariably governed by mercenary motives, and it was remarkable that ee should seek to wed the daughter of a ruined man.

Stuart Harland received a visit from Paxton the day following that which witnessed his interview with the broker and with his betrothed.

Harland, of course, preserved profound secrecy regarding the motive for his secret journey on the night of the murder, but he told Paxton of the suspicion regarding Levi Kredge which had occurred to him. He also related the incident of his having detected the janitor listening at the door of the private office.

Paxton gained no further information from Stuart, and he left the young man after assuring him that he could rely on him to make every possible effort to detect the cashier's assassin and thus prove his innocence.

That same day Paxton's auxiliary, who was shadowing Levi Kredge, reported that the fellow was constantly in secret communication with Pratt & Weeks, and further, that he had learned that the treacherous janitor had been playing the spy at Garrison's office for a long time.

"You have done well, Sayer. I am getting considerably interested in this Levi Kredge, and I'll relieve you from duty and take the place of his shadow for to-night. I'll take him when he leaves Garrison's office to-night," said Paxton to his agent.

The latter assented, glad of one night off duty.

The office of Jason Garrison had been reopened, as usual, on the day following the settlement of his indebtedness to Pratt & Weeks, and business was being transacted there as heretofore. Thanks to an advance of funds made by Stanmore, in addition to the cheque which liquidated Pratt & Weeks' claim, Garrison was enabled to go on with his business.

Levi Kredge still served as janitor.

Previous to John Oakburn's murder the janitor who swept the office after business hours had always turned the keys over to the old cashier when his work was done, but now since money was to be kept in the office over night, Kredge was allowed to retain the keys, that he might open the office in the morning and arrange it for the business of the day, before the arrival of the clerks.

That night after the clerk had left "Garrison's," Paxton, very cleverly disguised, sauntered by the building, and, seeing his agent on the watch near by, he signaled him to be off, for he had seen Kredge enter the office, and he meant to begin shadowing him when he came out.

Darkness had fallen when Kredge appeared on the street.

The janitor cast a swift glance up and down the street, but he did not observe Paxton, who stood in the dense black shadows of an arched door directly opposite.

As though assured that he was unobserved, Kredge darted into the passage where the detective had discovered the footprints in the soft earth under the rear window of the broker's office.

Paxton stole across the street to follow Kredge, and just at that moment Richard Stanmore turned an adjacent street corner and the two men came face to face.

The detective's disguise prevented his recognition by Stanmore, but Paxton made himself known with a word, and added, hurriedly:

"I am in pursuit of Kredge, and I cannot pause a moment. You can accompany me if you like. I need not warn you to observe silence and caution. Our man has entered the passage yonder."

"Lead on; I am a novice in this business, but you shall have no cause to complain of indiscretion on my part," answered Stanmore.

Paxton glided into the passage with the stealthy tread of a professioual trailer, and, equally silent in his movements, Stanmore followed at his heels.

The detective caught a glimpse of Kredge's vanishing form as the latter disappeared at the further end of the narrow way, and he gained the extremity of the passage and peered cautiously beyond it.

He saw Levi Kredge and his sister Judith standing in the dark shadows near the rear door of Oakburn's flat.

The secret meeting was, in itself, a suspicious circumstance, the detective thought.

Eagerly he listened to the conversation of Kredge and his sister.

Their voices distinctly reached his ears, and their words were plainly overheard.

"Well, did you get the money?" asked Levi.

"Yes; and I mean to keep it," answered his amiable sister.

"You won't share with your affectionate brother, eh?"

"No; this belongs to me."

"That's so. You are a shrewd one, Judith. But take care you don't overreach yourself. Marion Oakburn strikes me as being a deep one, too."

"Let me alone to look out for myself."

"It's an ill wind that blows nobody good, and the murder of John Oakburn has turned out to be a windfall for us both."

"What have you gained? How has it profited you?"

Before Paxton heard Kredge's answer, for which he was listening with absorbing interest, he heard footsteps in the passage, and he knew that danger of discovery was imminent.

CHAPTER XII.

Above all things Paxton desired to prevent the betrayal of his presence to Levi Kredge and his sister, for he was well aware that the moment a suspected man knew that he was the object of surveillance the difficulty of watching him was increased tenfold. He did not wish the janitor to know that he was an object of suspicion.

"Remain where you are," the detective whispered to Stanmore, and thus speaking he silently glided back along the narrow passage to the street.

A few feet from the entrance to the passage he encountered a man who was traversing it. He had produced his pocket lantern, and its light revealed the face of Kemp, the night watchman.

"Hist!" uttered the detective, warningly, as the other was about to speak. "I am in pursuit of information. Leave the passage or you will spoil my plan."

The watchman comprehended the situation, and he instantly obeyed Paxton, gliding silently out to the street.

The detective crept back to Stanmore.

The latter whispered:

"In answer to his sister's question as to how the murder of John Oakburn profited him, I heard Kredge reply, 'I never tell tales out of school, my dear sister.'"

Again Paxton listened.

But now Levi Kredge dropped his voice to a whisper, as his sister did also, and they conversed for a few moments with great earnestness, though to his chagrin the detective was unable to hear a word.

But presently Levi elevated his voice somewhat.

Paxton caught his words as he said:

"Well, I must be off; give her the note."

"I will do so," answered Judith.

Paxton knew that Kredge would traverse the passage, and seizing his companion's arm he said:

"Quick! We must get to the street before we are discovered."

They swiftly and silently retraced their way through the passage and reached the arched door opposite where Paxton had stood when he sighted Kredge as he came out of the office.

The janitor soon came out upon the street and hurried away.

"I shall not follow him now; I've an idea we shall learn more by watching hereabouts. I noticed a light in the window at the rear of the house. Let us creep back and take an observation of Judith Kredge at home. I suspect Levi brought her a note for some one. I should like to be positive whether it was for Marion Oakburn, as I naturally suspect it must be," said Paxton.

They reached the rear of Garrison's office again in a few moments and crept to a window, through which the light streamed, and which was in an apartment belonging to Oakburn's suite of rooms, though it was on the ground floor.

Crouching beside the window the derective and his companion peered into the brilliantly lighted room beyond. A glance told them that the apartment served for a kitchen, and they saw Marion Oakburn and Judith Kredge.

The cashier's daughter stood in the center of the room, listening with a surprised and startled expression on her pale features to something Judith Kredge was telling her. But Paxton could not hear a word that was spoken in the apartment.

Presently Judith drew a letter from her pocket, and handed it to Marion.

The latter hastily read the missive.

Then she said something in an excited way and cast the letter into the kitchen fire where it was instantly consumed.

Drawing a photograph from her bosom Marion held it up for Judith to see, and Paxton and Stanmore both obtained an excellent view of the pictured face.

Stanmore staggered back from the window with an ejaculation of surprise which Paxton feared would betray their presence.

As for the detective he was never more surprised in all his life, but he betrayed little emotion, for he was used to surprise and inured to meeting with the unexpected.

There was the most excellent reason for astonishment, however, for the photograph which Marion Oakburn had produced was that of a young man with light hair and mustache who had a scar above one eyebrow.

Paxton and Stanmore believed they recognized the man who had exchanged overcoats with Stuart Harland, and whom they thought to be the assassin of Marion's father.

The picture corresponded perfectly with the description of the unknown given by both Stuart and the night watchman.

"What mystery is this? What remarkable complication of this strange crime have we stumbled upon now?" muttered Paxton, and a flood of suggestive thoughts permeated—filled his mind.

"The daughter of the murdered man has the picture of the assassin. What can it mean?" whispered Stanmore.

"It is a perplexing puzzle. But see, she replaces the photograph in her bosom. She seems to treasure the picture of the supposed assassin. Can it be that she knows of his connection with the murder of her father, and yet means to shield him, or is she ignorant of what we suspect?" said Paxton, as he saw Marion restore the picture to its hiding place. "Is it possible the man we suspect is secretly Marion Oakburn's lover?" he added, as the thought entered his mind.

There was a flash of rage in Stanmore's eyes as he heard him.

"No, a thousand times no! That girl is as pure as the driven snow and as innocent as one of the angels," he hissed.

He had clutched Paxton's arm with a vise-like grasp.

"You will excuse me mentioning it, but you are crushing my arm," said Paxton, quietly.

Stanmore released him, and the detective wonderingly observed that he was trembling from head to foot, as though shaken by some powerful emotion.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Chinese Currency.

In China slips of mulberry bark serve as money in the interior towns.

FOURTEEN BIDS ARE OPENED

For the Location of the Government Armor Plate Plant.

In accordance with advertisements issued by the navy department, proposals were opened by Secretary Long for the construction of a government armor plant, for the sale to the government of sites suitable for such a plant and for machinery and buildings necessary, if the government decides to make its own armor.

There were twenty-nine bids, and they covered every phase of the advertisement. Many of the proposals were merely offers to donate sites to the government, conditional upon the erection of the plant; a number of others were for the supply of machinery.

There were only two bids to furnish a complete plant, and only one of these named a figure. The two companies now engaged in the manufacture of armor for the navy did not submit proposals.

The Huntington, W. Va., chamber of commerce offered to follow every specification of the board and build a complete plant for $3,325,905, including site, buildings and plant.

Offers of sites for a plant gratis, or for a nominal sum of money, came from Muskegon, Mich.; Youngstown, O.; Escanaba, Mich.; Duluth, Minn.; Ensley, Ala.; Loraine, O.; Winthrop Harbor and Dock Company of Chicago; Sheffield. Tenn.; Waukegan, Ill.; Detriot, Mich.; Peoria, Ill.; Marquette, Mich., and Anniston, Ala.

It will take some time to schedule all these bids, but as soon as all those can be arranged they will be sent to congress by Secretary Long for the information of that body in case it desires to embark the government in the manufacture of armor.

SEACOAST DEFENSES.

A Bill Carrying $4,144,912 for This Purpose Referred to the House.

The fortifications appropriation bill providing for the extensive system of seacoast defenses now in the course of completion, was reported to the house Saturday. It carries $4,144,912 as against estimates made by the war department of $13,378,571. The principal amounts allowed by the bill for the main items are as follows:

Gun and mortar batteries $1,000,000; sites for fortifications $300,000; torpedoes for harbor defense $150,000; armament of fortifications, $2,033,778; field guns and other miscellaneous items $300,000 and ordnance and fortifications board $100,000.

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☞ The book from which the sentence is taken [illegible] safety vault under seal, and will be opened at the close of the contest before a committee [illegible] which makes the award after an examination of the subscription books.

In one of these contests there was only one successful guesser, who received more than $1,000 and in addition to this in one year $5,000 has been distributed among successful guessers.

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THE FOLLOWING ARE THE CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST

Ten Per Cent of the Guessers' Subscriptions goes to the Fund to be divided. In other words if this Subscription Fund amounts to $20,000 for this period then the fund to go to the successful guesser would be $2,000.

THE CONSTITUTION PUTS 10 PER CENT of the amount it receives for subscriptions from parties entering the Missing Word Contest into a fund for distribution among those who name correctly the missing word. If only one contestant gets the right word, he or she will be given the entire fund. If more than one supplies the missing word, the same will be proportionately divided among the successful guessers.

THE CONDITION PRECEDENT FOR SENDING A GUESS at the Missing Word, is that each and every guess must be accompanied by a year's subscription to The Weekly Constitution. If sent through the paper publishing this advertisement in acceptance of our clubbing offer, the guess at the missing word will be forwarded. The guess must be sent with the subscription. Should one person send more than one answer, he or she will be entitled to a share of the fund for each correct answer. There will be no capital prize—everyone will get a first prize. Persons may guess as many times as they send subscriptions.

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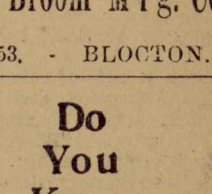

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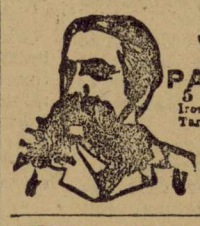

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Public Lands for Common Schools.

Age-Herald,

There seems to be no reason why the public lands still remaining in Alabama should not be turned over to the state as trustee for the benefit of the common schools. The public domain in Alabama is rapidly diminishing, and at this time amounts to less than 600,000 acres. Alabama, with all of the states organized prior to 1848, received from the general government a grant of the sixteenth section, or 640 acres in each township, for the maintenance of the public schools of that township. The total acreage of this grant in Alabama, under the act of March 2, 1819, was 902,774. The act of 1848, from the hands of Senator Stephen A. Douglas, provided for an additional grant of the thirteenth section in each township, or 1,280 acres in every six miles square, for all states and territories that should be thereafter organized.

Two townships, or 46,080 acres in Alabama, were, by the act of 1819, granted for the maintenance of the state university. Later land grants were made for the benefit of the agricultural and mechanical college. Senator Pettus has recently introduced a bill in the senate providing for a grant of one township, or 23,040 acres, for the benefit of the Alabama Polytechnic School for Girls at Montevallo.

The policy of further diverting the public lands within the state for the purposes of special and higher education is one that may be seriously questioned. The states of the west have received for common schools two sections, or 1,280 acres in each township, while Alabama and other Southern States have received but one section in each township. Texas upon her admission to the union was permitted to retain all her public lands for school purposes, and in consequence has a magrificent permanent fund which will inure to the benefit of all her people through their common schools.

The public schools of Alabama are in sore need; the cause of special and higher education in the state has already been fostered and developed out of all proportion to that of the common schools, and reason and equity would dictate that the 600,000 acres remaining in Alabama should be given to all the people for the benefit of their schools. Even then the common schools of the state will have received less than one-half their quota of public lands, when compared with those of the states of the west. Any disposition of the public lands within Alabama that does not inure to the equal benefit of all the people, is inequitable.

LAND FOR A COLONY.

Twelve Thousand Acres Purchased by Gen. C. M Shelley and J. H. Mountain.

ANNISTON, ALA., Feb. 8.—Gen. C. M. Shelley and J. H. Mountain have closed a deal for 12,000 acres of land near Piedmont, in this couuty, and will colonize it with northern and western farmers.

Northern farmers who have located fn this section have invariably prospered, and they have also been beneficial to the section by introducing improved methods of farming and by their example encouraging the native farmers to be thrifty and up-to-date.

The Piedmont, Ala., furnace, which was started during a boom at that place some years ago and never finished, was sold yesterday in piece meal for $1,200.

MONTEVALLO SCHOOL.

The Alabama Girls' Polytechnic Institute at Montevallo a Success—A Fine Country.

The Southern Field.

One of the most successful educational institutions in the South, and one which is doing the best work, is the Girls' Industrial School of Alabama, a polytechnic institute at Montevallo, of which H. C. Reynolds is president. The school is only two years old, but has already a membership of nearly 360 pupils and a large corps of teachers. Its object is to give a good indnstrial education in connection with a good literary education, and thus fit its students for any walk in life. The success of the school shows that it not only has a good field, but is admirably accomplishing the work for which it was established. The students are given a thorough normal school education, together with a knowledge of kindergarten instruction and music, cooking, laundering, sewing, dressmaking, millinery, telegraphy, stenography, printing, photography, book keeping, indoor carpentry, clay modeling, electrical construction, drawing, painting, and in other things. The aim is to keep the cost down to the lowest figure, so as to make its usefulness extend as widely as possible.

Montevallo is in Shelby county, almost in the centre of the State, and in the fertile Coosa Valley. It is beautifully situated, and is one of the prettiest places in the South. It is on the Southern railway. The country round about produces the finest cotton, grains and all crops, nearly, and is a splendid fruit and stock countrv. There are good openings for many small farmers in the vicinity of the village. Truck and dairy farming, especially, can be made extremely profitable.

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Railroad Shows

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Saturday, February 12.

Sparks' shows exhibited here last year, and it is no stranger in our town. It is enlarged nearly its former size, and is pronounced by the press and public to be the best 25 cent show on earth. Mr. Sparks does not allow any gambling around his show. There are twenty-five performers—male and female—each one an artist in his or her line, five funny clowns, a whole troupe of performing horses, ponies, monkeys and dogs, and the finest performing baby elephant alive. A grand double balloon ascension and parachute jump daily, and a high tower dive from an 80 foot ladder into a net. All free, and takes place at 1 and 7 p. m. daily, on the ground.

A SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTION

Is the Industrial School for Girls at Montevallo Under Direction .of Captain H. C. Reynolds.

Selma Journal.

A Journal representative spent Friday in the town of Montevallo, where is located the Industrial School for Girls, a Polytechnic institute.

Montevallo is a beautiful little place and is enjoying prosperity to a marked degree, all attributal to the new lease on life given by the establishment of the State Industrial School there. A handsome two story modern brick hotel has been built and opened, and Mr. Wall, with his estimable wife, makes the "St. George" a charming home for the traveler. Several large mercantile stores are doing an immense business, and a flourishing bank exists.

A weekly newspaper, THE MONTEVALLO NEWS, after varied experiences and troubles, has at last struck solid ground, and has a bright future before it under Mr. Little's editorship and Mr. Newton's management.

The Journal man was taken over the Industrial School by Capt. Reynolds, and was surprised at the work being accomplished. 366 pupils are now on the rolls, and when it is remembered that this is only the school's second year, the success it has achieved is marvelous. To Capt. Reynolds' efforts and arduous labors this success is no doubt due. The work of the school is of such a nature as gives to the girls not only a classical, but a practical education. The dress-making department is particularly the pride of the school, and five handsome gowns had just been finished off Friday. About $600 will be realized this year by the pupils who are in the dress making classes. The proceeds go to the pupils themselves.

The Selma young ladies and Mrs. Sallie Cothran, the teacher of music, warmly greeted the Journal man, and seemed to be enjoying good health and contentment.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Four more school months!

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Some of the girls are great cooks.

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The culinary department is on a boom.

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"Betsy Hamilton" will be here soon.

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The campus is being sown down in clover.

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New girls are coming in nearly every day.

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Mr. Farrington is fixing up the college grounds.

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Mrs. Nelson may take her class to Montgomery soon.

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The art department has received several new plaster paris models.

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There will be some new telegraph operators after this session of school.

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President Reynolds has returned to Washington in the interest of the land biil that is before Congress.

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The dressmaking department has several orders for dresses from Selma, Montgomery and other places.

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Some of the girls in the cooking department have an eye to business. They know a good cook will not be an old maid very long.

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Miss Myra Gaskin, Capt. Reynolds' private secretary last year, was married last fall to Mr. J. Stanley Smith, and is now living at Minneapolis, Minn.

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Mrs. R. E. L. Neil, of Selma, was greeted by a large audience at the Industrial School Chapel on Friday night last, and afforded an evening of much enjoyment with her elocution and Delsarte recital. The versatility of her powers was fully demonstrated in the rendering of "A Medley," calling for the transition from one extreme of expression to another in rapid succession. She was assisted by Misses Lee and Dale who rendered two magnificent instrumental duets, and Mrs. Cothran and Miss Crumpton with a vocal duet.

SIMPLE DUTY.

Old Wotsizname's a feller that we don't hear much about,
He never stands on barrel heads to storm around an' shout.
They say "he doesn't cut no ice," He won't go mixin' in
With things that don't concern his 'mejit fam'ly nor his kin.
So his neighbors in the village, they jes' leave him off the list
When anything's a-doin'. He stays home and isn't missed.
An' yet his house is recognized by all who come an' go,
He doesn't cut no ice, but then he shovels off his snow.

An' folks'll stop to view the work and wonder who it is,
An' say how fine 'twould be ef all the rest was done like his.
But they go ahead a-botherin' an' a-stirrin' up affairs
And oratin' about business, most of which it isn't theirs,
An' when they're goin' home agin, a-wadin' through the slush,
An' strike this patch o' neatness, there will come a solemn hush.
Then some one pays a compliment—the best I'd keer to know—
"He doesn't cut no ice, but then he shovels off his snow."

(—Washington Star.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. F. F. Crowe & Co.

CHAPTER XII.—Continued.

After concealing the photograph, the sight of which had made such a marked impression upon the detective and his companion, Marion and Judith Kredge left the kitchen, but in a few moments the watchers at the window heard footsteps within the house, and as they seemed to be approaching the rear door, they drew back into an angle of the building where the darkness was complete.

Marion and Judith Kredge came out through the rear door, gained an alley in the rear of the narrow yard at the back of the building, and thence walked to the next street, while Paxton and Stanmore closely followed them.

A suspicion he would scarcely have dared to formulate into words was gaining ground in the detective's mind as he shadowed the women.

They had not proceeded more than a couple of blocks when Paxton discovered that some one was stealthily dogging the footsteps of Stanmore and himself. If he was playing the shadow, he was in turn being shadowed.

Scarcely had the detective imparted his discovery to his companion, when the man whom he had detected following him, darted by, and himself and Stanmore both recognized Levi Kredge by his peculiar limp.

"Kredge!" exclaimed Paxton in a whisper. "He has discovered that we are following his sister and the cashier's daughter," he added in a tone of disappointment.

Paxton apprehended that it was Levi Kredge's purpose to warn Marion and his sister that they were followed.

Such proved to be the fact.

Overtaking Marion and Judith, Levi Kredge paused and spoke to them in a low tone for a moment, and then hurried on again.

The two women glanced backward, and then crossed the street, and making a detour they returned to the house whence they had come, without going anywhere in particular.

After Marion and her companion reentered the house, Paxton and Stanmore watched the building until the lights were all extinguished, and they were sure that the inmates had retired for the night.

After this they withdrew and Stanmore returned to his hotel, while Paxton, prompted by an impulse of the moment, lingered in the neighborhood.

Presently he saw a limping form appear from a side street, and, recognizing Levi Kredge, he followed until he saw him enter the office of Pratt & Weeks by the private way.

The janitor had given a peculiar rap and though it was now long after business hours and no light was to be seen in Pratt & Weeks' office, he had been promptly admitted.

"Ah! He was expected. The rascal is about to have a private interview with confederates, I suppose. I should like to be an unseen witness of this meeting. Let me see, when I was making the Blanchard investigation a year ago, I had occasion to make several calls on Messrs. Pratt & Weeks. Once or twice I was admitted by the private entrance. Now I recollect that the street door opens upon a narrow entry beyond which is the door of the brokers' private office. I'll take the risk."

Having thus communed with his own thoughts the detective crept to the door of the office by which Levi Kredge had just entered, and producing a pick-lock he deftly opened the door.

"Fortunately there was no bolt on the inside or I would have been baffled," he muttered.

Without making even the faintest sound which might have betrayed his presence, he gained the entry upon which the street door opened, closed the door behind him and crossed the narrow hall to the door of the private office beyond it.

There he listened and heard the voices of Pratt, Weeks and Levi Kredge.

The detective's nerves thrilled with expectation as he thought that now perhaps he was destined to make some important discovery.

He could distinctly hear all that was said by the men upon whom he was spying.

Pratt spoke first.

"Kredge, your warning about the marked money came just in time. If the money stolen from Garrison's safe had been traced to us we would have been ruined," he said.

"And our reputations forever lost," added Weeks.

The other laughed unpleasantly.

"That we have kept up. Nothing like a reputation. Our dupes have always borne the ignominy and blame, while we have reaped the harvest resulting from the success of our shrewd schemes. But you promised to report to-night as to whether your suspicion that you were being watched had been verified or otherwise," said Pratt, turning to Kredge.

"There is no longer a doubt; I am surely being watched by detectives, but I am rid of them for to-night," answered Kredge.

"Are we suspected, I wonder?" said Weeks.

"I can hardly think so, but if the secrets of the night of John Oakburn's murder are ever searched out, I tremble for the consequences. But tell us, Kredge, have you learned what has become of Garnar?" asked Pratt.

"I have learned nothing about his whereabouts. He has vanished. He it was who exchanged overcoats with Stuart Harland," answered Kredge.

"He wanted a disguise, poor devil. I infer he has left this part of the country, and we have nothing to hear from him," said Weeks.

"Now, about the division of the money. I have not received my share yet," Kredge remarked.

"You shall have it; but our mutual safety demands that we should keep it in trust for you. Don't forget, my man, that if any of that marked money was found in your possession you would be accused of John Oakburn's murder," said Pratt.

"That's so—the money will be safest with you," assented Kredge.

"Is not this crippled scoundrel himself the assassin?" reflected the detective.

"Before the night is over the marked money will all be hidden where no detective will ever find it. I only wish we had the one thousand of the marked money we gave Garnar back again. He may use some of it. The money may be traced to him, and to save himself there is no telling what he might do," continued Pratt.

"Well, open the safe and get the marked money out. Before hiding it we will test the preparation which I procured from an old German chemist today, as I promised I would. The compound is recommended to remove ink marks. If we can remove the marks on the money, all well and good," said Weeks, and he placed a large stone jar or bottle on the table.

Pratt went to a safe in the room, opened it and took out the money which had the banker's private mark on it.

Noiselessly Paxton opened the door at which he was listening a hair's breadth, and peered into the room. He saw the three men standing about a table upon which the package of marked money had been placed. Pratt and Kredge stood with their backs turned to the door, but Weeks faced it. He was intent on trying to remove the mark from one of the notes.

Paxton comprehended that he had a wonderful chance to secure the marked money if he dared take a terrible risk.

Like a shadow he glided into the room, intending to snatch the package of marked money and escape with it. He had almost reached the table when Pratt wheeled like a flash and saw him. The next instant he was struggling desperately with the three villains, whose evil faces were darkened by the shadow of deadly thoughts.

CHAPTER XIII.

Paxton fully realized that his situation was one of deadly peril.

"This man is a spy! He must not escape us!" cried Pratt, as his confederates hurled themselves upon the detective.

The latter exerted all his surprising strength in making a determined struggle to liberate himself from the clutches of his foes.

In the encounter the table was overturned, and the bottle which Weeks had said contained a compound for removing ink stains was dashed down upon the floor at the feet of the struggling men.

An explosion followed.

The great stone bottle burst into a thousand fragments, and a sheet of flame flashed upward into the faces of the combatants, who involuntarily leaped away in every direction.

Weeks learned afterwards that through a mistake on the part of an assistant of the old chemist of whom he had purchased the compound, he had been given an explosive mixture instead of the compound for removing ink marks.

Paxton was released by the frightened villains at the instant of the explosion, as they leaped away to escape the flying missile and the sheet of flame from the wreck of the bottle.

It was as though a supreme power had decreed that the detective should escape.

The table had fallen on the marked money, and to pause to attempt to secure it then would have been suicidal, as Paxton well knew, and with one bound he shot through the office door, gained the passage beyond and reached the street in safety.

Paxton did not remain in the neighborhood a moment.

Of course the men from whom he had escaped did not pursue him, for they more than suspected his true character.

The detective regretted the result of his venture, but he congratulated himself that his disguise had not been removed, and that consequently his identity was unknown to the brokers and Levi Kredge.

"As it has resulted, perhaps the better course would have been to have made no attempt to secure the marked money, for now Pratt & Weeks are doubly on their guard. But at all events my venture has not been without a valuable result. I have learned that the name of the supposed assassin—the man who carried the skeleton keys—is 'Garnar,'" reflected Paxton.

From the discoveries of the night he had formed certain theories, and he sought to account for various circumstances which required explanation.

"How comes it that the photograph of the suspected man is in the hands of Marion Oakburn, and why does she treasure it? I put the objection of my friend Stanmore aside, and I will suppose that the original of the photograph is secretly her lover. She is either ignorant that he is suspected of her father's murder or she believes he is innocent. So far, so good. Now for the meaning of the scene I witnessed between Marion Oakburn and Judith Kredge.

"Marion present, enter Judith Kredge. She tells Marion something, and the girl becomes excited. Therefore the news she hears startles her. Then she reads a note which she receives from Judith, and is still more surprised. After this the picture of the supposed assassin is produced, and Marion shows it to Judith. I infer, therefore, that the communication made by Judith related to the original of the photograph. Perhaps the note was from Garnar. Then Marion and Judith Kredge leave the house. This looks as though the communication Marion received called her to meet the writer. I follow the two women, am discovered by Levi Kredge, who warns them of the fact. They thereupon return to the house. From the last move it is clear that they wished to conceal where they were going, and they would not care to keep this movement a secret unless there was some powerful motive for doing so."

Thus Paxton reviewed the events of the evening and drew his deduction.

"Perhaps Mr. Stanmore would not advise it, but I shall look after Marion Oakburn and see what comes of it," he said, mentally.

He had repaired to his home immediately after his escape from the office of Pratt & Weeks.

Meanwhile, Stanmore, after parting from the detective, confessed to himself that he was deeply troubled by the developments of the night.

Gaining his own apartment at the hotel, he seated himself and remained buried in profound meditation for a long time, while the expression of his features revealed that his thoughts were far from pleasant.

Stanmore was aroused from the reverie into which he had fallen by a knock at the door, and he admitted Mr. Marks, of the firm of Marks & Bock, accommodation loan brokers, of whom mention has been made.

The two men exchanged cordial greetings, and became seated.

A confidential conversation relating to business subjects ensued, in the course of which Mr. Marks said:

"Yes, Pratt & Weeks have fallen upon evil times. Dupes have been wary. The pigeons flee at sight of the hawks, and luck in the stock market has taken a strong turn against the cunning swindlers. They have met with many losses and they now owe a considerable sum."

"Good! Excellent! We shall accomplish our purpose, Marks."

"It is but a question of time, sir," answered the other.

Mr. Marks remained with Stanmore but a short time, and he had scarcely departed when Mr. Judson, of the firm of Judson, Kirk & Co., brokers, called.

In the most friendly way Stanmore received the representative of this well-known Wall street firm, and after a few remarks he placed a slip of paper before Stanmore on which was written:

"Indebtedness of Pratt & Weeks to Judson, Kirk & Co., on account of transactions in railroad and mining stock to date, $43,000."

Stanmore read the memorandum with evident satisfaction.

"The end is surely coming. Retribution hovers over the heads of the scoundrels, and its shadow is growing darker day by day," he said.

"Yes, the tables are turning. A secret foe has foiled all their schemes of late. Assuredly the day of his triumph and the downfall of the swindlers cannot be far distant," answered Mr. Judson.

Some further remarks were exchanged, and, while Stanmore and his guest were still conversing, Mr. Benjaman, of the firm of Abraham Benjaman & Son, money lenders, entered.

The latter seemed to be well acquainted with Mr. Judson, and, judging from his manner, an old friend of Mr. Stanmore.

Abraham Benjaman was a type of the better class of Hebrew business men.

In his method of speech there was nothing like the dialect peculiar to the lower classes of his race. Mr. Benjaman was an American Hebrew, who had been educated in this country.

"Well, Stanmore, my boy," said the shrewd old fellow, as he shook hands, "I have come to make the report of the week. We have lent our friends, Pratt & Weeks, six thousand dollars at twenty-five per cent. for sixty days. That makes twenty thousand dollars they have had from us."

"Very good. They will be after more money before long, I think," said Stanmore. "If so, let them have it," he added.

The three gentlemen engaged in an animated discussion on business topics for some time, but just before Messrs. Judson and Benjaman withdrew, the conversation reverted to Pratt & Weeks.

While they drew their chairs close together, and their voices were lowered to a confidential tone, they talked earnestly for a few moments, and Stanmore said:

"You both know that the money stolen from the safe of Jason Garrison on the night of John Oakburn's murder was marked in a peculiar way."

"Yes, yes," assented both Mr. Judson and the other.

"Very well, I have reason to suppose that the stolen money is in the hands of Pratt & Weeks."

Stanmore's two friends evinced their surprise.

"Moreover," the former continued, "I believe these scoundrels will attempt to exchange the marked money for such bank notes or other legal tender as they can use without danger, when they are driven to desperate expedient to raise money."

"So Pratt & Weeks have the stolen money," said Benjaman, in a tone of surprise.

"It is a secret, but I have proved your devotion to my interest, and so I trust you fully," answered Stanmore.

"Bravo! We shall catch the weasels yet!" said the old Hebrew, rubbing his hands.

"Yes; you have managed so that I should not be in the least surprised if they attempted to exchange the marked money with you, Mr. Benjaman. If they should broach the subject communicate with me at once. Do not absolutely refuse to make the deal. Tell them you want to consider the matter," continued Stanmore.

"Once they give the marked money to me they are in our power," said Benjaman.

"Yes. The hour of justice will have come. But we are counting on an uncertainty," Stanmore answered.

"They will be driven to make use of the stolen money. Never fear, I have given them a false idea of my character for a purpose, and they will come to me thinking me as unscrupulous as themselves."

"We will hope so. The life of an innocent man may depend upon the confession to be wrung from them as to how they came by the marked money," said Stanmore, thinking of Stuart Harland.

Later, when Stanmore found himself alone, he said in self communion:

"Pratt & Weeks are walking into the pitfall I have dug for them. The weak, inexperienced young man whom they enticed to his ruin, and at whose impotent threat they sneered and laughed, when he discovered how he had been duped by their devilish duplicity and cunning, has been forgotten by those brigands of Wall street. But the hour is coming when the threats he uttered when they drove him into exile, a disgraced and ruined man, shall be made good."

Then Stanmore's thoughts reverted to the mystery of John Oakburn's murder.

"I cannot doubt that Marion Oakburn has some knowledge of the man whose photograph I saw in her possession. Can it be that those wretches, Pratt & Weeks, have thrown the toils about that innocent girl in such a way as to implicate her in the terrible crime?" he said.

But to return to Pratt & Weeks' office a moment subsequent to Paxton's escape.

The rascally brokers were enraged at the accident which had enabled the detective to make his escape.

They secured the doors, and after heaping maledictions upon the head of the detective, Pratt said:

"It seems that fortune is dead against us in every move of late. Every speculation falls, and we are becoming deeply involved in debt. We owe Marks & Bock, Judson, Kirk & Co., and Benjaman, the old Jew money lender."

"Yes," assented Weeks. "But if our investment in 'C. and N. W. railroad stock' turns out as we hope, we are saved."

"But if the market goes the wrong way, you know as well as I do we are ruined unless the marked money can be made to save us," answered Pratt.

"Perhaps we may arrange that. Old Benjaman is an unscrupulous fellow. I've sounded him. If the worst comes, we may be able to get him to take the marked money at a discount, and let us have the gold for it," suggested Weeks.

Little did they suspect the fact, but the conspirators seemed destined to play into Stanmore's hands.

CHAPTER XIV.

The plotters feared the consequences of the discovery made by the spy who had escaped them.

"I wonder how much of our conversation the fellow heard," said Weeks presently.

"Enough to condemn us, no doubt, if he could prove what he heard. Fortunately for us, he did not secure the money, which was undoubtedly his purpose. Now we will conceal it and defy him if he seeks to expose us. Our oaths would go as far as his in a court of law, if it should come to that," replied Pratt.

He was the leading spirit of the firm.

"That infernal money has done us no good yet, but on the other hand it has brought us trouble," said Weeks querulously.

Thus they continued to converse until Levi Kredge left them.

When he had gone they secreted the marked money and then took their departure from the office for the night.

The following day Paxton's agent, who had resumed his task of shadowing Levi Kredge, reported to his principal that the janitor had obtained leave for a day's absence and that he had purchased a ticket for Newburg, N. Y.

"He will leave by the first train in the morning," said the detective agent.

"And so will I," said Paxton. "I'll take the little trip with Levi. The journey may have no meaning for us, and yet it may, on the other hand, be of great importance."

In accordance with his determination, Paxton, well disguised as a foppish young man, and carrying a small traveling bag containing the material for another disguise, left the city on the same train with Levi Kredge.

When their destination was reached, Levi Kredge proceeded directly to the office of the real estate agent.

Paxton entered the same office a moment after Kredge.

While a clerk gave Paxton his attention the latter saw a gentleman whom he presumed to be the proprietor of the office usher Kredge into an interior and private compartment of the establishment.

The door was closed and in the presence of the clerk it was impossible to play the listener at it, but still Paxton meant to know what business Kredge had with the real estate agent.

He invented an excuse for his presence and retired.

There was a third-rate hotel opposite, to which Paxton crossed, and engaging a front room, from the window of which he could watch the broker's office, he hastily made a change in his disguise.

In a few minutes Paxton descended from his room as a feeble old man wearing an old-fashioned shawl and carrying a cane.

Paxton reached the hotel office as Kredge, whom he had seen crossing the street before he left his room, entered.

Kredge entered the restaurant attached to the hotel and ordered dinner.

Paxton was at the dining-room door, and, hearing Kredge give his order, he said to himself:

"He is safe for half an hour here," and crossing the street he made his way slowly up the stairs leading to the real estate office, which he entered wheezing and seemingly almost out of breath, as became the character he had assumed.

Glancing about the broker's office, Paxton said, in a cracked, old man's voice:

"I've missed him! He ain't here!"

"Who are you looking for?" asked the clerk.

"My son, Levi," answered Paxton.

At this, the gentleman whom the detective supposed to be the proprietor came out of an interior office.

"Then you are Mr. Kredge, I presume?" said he.

"Yes, sir."

"Well, your son left here but a moment ago."

"Did he fix the business up?"

"No. He did not positively agree to purchase the property. He offered ten thousand dollars cash, but our price is twelve. Your son will find the place a bargain at that figure, I assure you," said the agent.

"I don't know. It's a good deal of money—a good deal of money. Well, I must find Levi. Good-day, gentlemen. It's a good deal of money," said Paxton, in his quavering voice.

He was amazed, astonished. Here was a discovery that perplexed him.

It was clearly evident that Levi Kredge was in good faith contemplating making a purchase of ten thousand dollars' worth of real estate, and yet the man had not been worth a dollar in the world prior to the murder of John Oakburn.

But he had received none of the marked money—the proceeds of the robbery of Jason Garrison's safe.

The mystery was, whence came the money he had offered for the real estate?

Mentally, Paxton searched for an explanation of this affair.

He in review went over the circumstances of the case in debate.

Suddenly he thought of one point upon which he had not dwelt much. He remembered that the savings of a lifetime, which Marion Oakburn thought her father kept in his little private safe, had not been found.

In an instant Paxton formulated a theory which seemed like the truth, or which was at least an explanation as to how the treacherous rascal might have procured the $10,000 which he assumed to have.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

AT Ischia they disinterred an old woman, unharmed. "God bless you!" she cried, as they helped her out. "But for pity's sake," she added impetuously, "dig a little deeper and save my——" "What? Is there any one else alive here?" they inquired anxiously. "My hen!" continued the old dame.

Favorable Report for Buckley.

The senate committee on postoffice and post roads Thursday, by a unanimous vote, decided to report favorably the nomination of Buckley for postmaster at Montgomery, Ala. It is stated that the nomination will be rejected in the senate.

The Brooklyn Sails for West Indies.

The big armored cruiser, Brooklyn, left the navy yard about 8 o'clock Friday morning on her way to begin her cruise of the West Indies. She first goes to Newport News for a supply of coal.

Senator Walthall Very Ill.

Senator Walthall, of Mississippi, is seriously ill in Washington city. Last Thursday he was seized by a chill in the senate and was forced to leave the chamber. He has since been confined to his bed.

Progress of the A. & A. Air Line.

Contractor Carson, of the Atlanta & Alabama Air Line, has suspended a large part of his force awaiting the arrival of the iron for the first ten miles, which is now graded. The grading has now really reached thirteen miles from Selma, and it will not be long now before trains will be running on the road.

The Cuban relief committee gave out the information that Clara Barton will go at once to Cuba to minister to the starving and dying people.

Shaker Colony in Georgia.

Brobston & Fendig have formally delivered 10,000 acres of land on the Altamaha river in Georgia, to the Shaker community of Union Village, O. A Shaker colony will be established thereon.

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Six firemen, including a district chief, a captain and a lieutenant, were killed at a fire in Boston Saturday morning which burned out the interior of a five-story building on Merrimac street, occupied by G. W. Bent & Co.

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West Tennessee politicians returning from Nashville bring with them a slate they think will heal all wounds caused by McMillin's defeat. They propose to run McMillin for governor, with Taylor in sight for the senatorship, in the spring.

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It is early morning. The air, light and cool, blows from the east. The prairie is starred with flowers. Far in the distance rises a lonely butte, blue and ominous like a cloud. A line of trees stands almost upon the horizon's edge, showing that their roots are washed by a shallow stream that becomes a deadly torrent in the rain-time. The yellow-breasted field lark carols keenly from the grass. The sparrow hawk cuts the air with zigzag wing. Seven are in the party—five men and two women. They are well mounted. The horses are the small, nervous, closely built product of the prairie. They do not stride as far as the big horse of the cities, but they pick it up faster—with marvellous swiftness, in fact. They are hardy, too. They shall carry you at top speed until they drop and be nothing the worse for it in a day or two. They get little corn, which is heating, but all they can eat of the most nutritious grasses in the world.

The dogs are coupled—sleek, graceful, beautiful creatures—and their owner holds them by a stout cord which passes around his wrist. Their slender limbs are quivering and their eyes blaze with excitement. The greyhound is probably the least intelligent of our canine friends, but he knows when he is wanted for the chase. It is his chief dissipation. A hundred and fifty yards ahead and slightly to the right a jack-rabbit springs from a clump of weeds. As he bounds away in long, slow leaps at half speed, he looks not unlike a fawn. His tremendous ears point straight upward. He is traveling upon three feet, holding the other clear of the ground. The dogs are unleashed and are off like a bolt from a crossbow. Simultaneously the rabbit lengthens his stride and begins to get down to business. With a backward glance of his prominent dark eye he has seen them and knows that the race of his life is on. The pursuers are fifty yards away and going like the wind when the word is given and the reins are loosed.

The turf is springy and level as a floor. The rushing air sings in the ear. One feels the quick leaps of the horse, but the eyes are fastened upon the chase. It is all in plain view. It could be seen two miles away. The dogs do not give tongue. They run wholly by sight. Their chase is as silent as the grave and as relentless as death. They have put a half a mile behind them and are warmed to their work. The quarry leads them by seventy-five yards. They can hear the roll of the twenty-eight hoofs behind. Wild halloos come to them, varied by the shrill call of a woman. These girls of the West are sitting well back, with the knee firmly crooked and the hands low. One of them has lost her hat and her tawny hair streams behind her like a flag.

Another quarter mile and the jack begins to feel that the game is worth his undivided attention. His ears come straight back upon his long brown body and he puts down the other leg. He is going now for all that there is in him, and there is a great deal. He lengthens the gap by five yards and the chase steadies itself. At this rate he is just holding the dogs. The light weight on the gray has gripped him hard, because he is ten yards behind the dogs and wants to move up and do some trampling.

Four hundred yards in twenty seconds and the pace is telling upon the doomed one. His white belly is closer to the ground and he is desperately striving, but he makes less speed. The hounds are gaining fast. They are within ten yards of him—five—three. Suddenly he whirls at right angles. One of his foemen overruns, but the other, an older dog, whirls with him and is hot after him. Ten more spasmodic leaps, each shorter than the last, an accurate bound by the dog, a pitiful squeak and all is over. Well done, Maida! The other dog comes up feeling ashamed and wants to take it out of the corpse. The girl who has lost her hat drops the reins to twist up her tawny hair. The other, with flushed face, is laughing wildly at a very small joke. Killed in a mile and a quarter. The girths are loosened and the men light cigarettes. Everybody talks dog and talks at once. A half dozen chases make the morning's sport, but there is an appetite for luncheon in one such ride as that.—Chicago Times-Herald.

No Children in the White House.

There are no children in the White House now. It is the first administration since that of Buchanan where there have not been children in the President's family. Lincoln had three boys when he came to the White House, and the Christmas festival was celebrated in the good old-fashioned way, with a Santa Claus. Grant had his three boys and the pretty Nellie to make merry at Christmas time. Hayes had a complete domestic household, with romping boys and a winsome little girl, who has grown to womanhood and has recently been spending her honeymoon at the White House, where she was a child.

celebrate Christmas, and Cleveland in the last year of his first administration had a baby girl to make Christmas for. Harrison's children were grown to manhood and womanhood, but he had his grandchildren with him in the White House, and Baby McKee became a more celebrated character in the child history of the White House than any since Tad Lincoln. In Cleveland's second administration there were two little girls to welcome Santa Claus. But there are no children in the White House now. There are pictures of two beautiful babies in Mrs. McKinley's room and many fond remembrances of them, but they sleep in the old graveyard at Canton, where they were buried many years ago.

USES FOR TOADS AND BATS.

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Dr. Clifton F. Hodge, assistant professor of physiology and neurology at Clark University in Worcester, Mass., has been devoting a good deal of time of late to the introduction of nature study in the public schools, and in preparing the subjects to be placed before the children for investigation he has learned some interesting facts. He has found that the common brown bat can be domesticated; that the garden toad, with proper encouragement, will keep a house free of flies; and that, if the waters of a district are kept well stocked with fish and tadpoles, the mosquito pest can be reduced to reasonable limits.

Before setting the children at work Dr. Hodge made personal observations of the toad in captivity. He constructed a small pen in his garden, and in it, in a pan of water, installed a male and a female toad. To attract food for them he placed within the inclosure bits of meat and bone. The results were as satisfactory as they were unexpected. The toads spent most of their time setting within reaching distance of the bait, and killing the flies attracted by it. The female laid her eggs in the water of the pan and in due time the little black tadpoles made their appearance. There was really no need of the imprisoning walls of wire netting; the prisoners could not have been hired to escape. The neighbors were receiving a marked benefit by the experiment. They had never had so few flies to annoy them. Then Dr. Hodge established another and larger colony. Here three or four toads were to be seen squatting about a single bone, each snapping up every fly that came near. The fact seemed to be established that if toads were encouraged to frequent the gardens there would be very much less annoyance from flies during the dog days.

Another of Dr. Hodge's experiments was with bats. His attention was turned to them through the codlin moth, the insect to blame for most worm eaten apples. In an orchard near his home, Dr. Hodge found nine of the grubs of this insect in a minute. Chancing to go into another orchard, hardly a mile from the first, he found only four of the grubs in an hour's search. There is an old barn near by in which live a colony of between 75 and 100 bats. The owner of the farm informed the doctor that his apples were always free from worms. The naturalist caught a bat and offered to it some of the grubs, which were greedily accepted. The codlin moth flies only at night; the same is true of the bat. Putting the facts together, Dr. Hodge thought there was a strong case of circumstantial evidence that the bat was a very useful friend of the apple grower.

Dr. Hodge took half a dozen of the bats home with him and installed them in his parlor. At first they greeted any friendly advances with chattering anger. After a while they became quite tame, and whenever their jailer entered the room they would fly to him for food. They never reached the point of allowing themselves to be handled, but they were friendly. Their home was in the folds of the top of the window draperies, and when night came, and sometimes in the daytime, they would spend their time flying about the room, regardless of the presence of members of the family. Dr. Hodge would occasionally feed them with insects in the evening, releasing net full after net full of the night flying varieties, and never a bug remained in the morning. They took everything, from a spider to a polyphemus moth. One morning the doctor counted while one bat devoured sixty-eight house flies. He believes that the bat would be almost as susceptible to taming as the monkey.

Observation of fish in his aquariums has shown Dr. Hodge that they are the natural enemies of the mosquito. They are very fond of the larvae of the stinging pest. He saw one sunfish no larger than a silver dollar swallow between sixty-five and seventy wrigglers in a single hour. And it was also demonstrated to him that tadpoles, both of frogs and toads, are inveterate enemies of the embryo mosquito.

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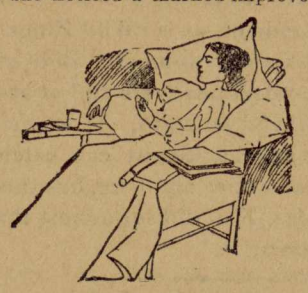

A Constant Sufferer.

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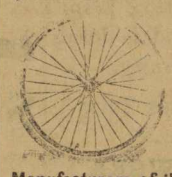

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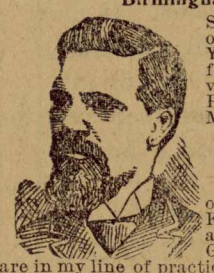

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John Gafford, the murderer of Francis Bartow Lloyd, near Greenville, Ala., last August, has been found guilty of murder in the first degree and will suffer the death penalty.

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ALDRICH GOT PLOWMAN'S SEAT.

By a vote of 143 to 112 the house of representatives on Wednesday seated W. F. Aldrich, and the 4th Alabama district will now be represented, or perhaps misrepresented is the word, by this combination of republicans and populists. The vote was strictly a party one. All the republicans voted for Aldrich and all the democrats and populists, except one, voted for Plowman.

Mr. Plowman says he will be a candidate for re-election, and will win by a big majority.

The young men of Moutevallo feel very much gratified over Capt. Reynolds' little talk last Friday evening. He said that he had found the young men of this immediate vicinity to be trustworthy, and was glad to say that he deemed it not unsafe to allow them to attend the exercises at the chapel. We would be very glad if the young men of neighboring towns would so conduct themselves that their visits would be welcomed instead of being repulsed, as their conduct has never been commendable while here.

Dr. E. N. Lyde, a former citizen of our town, but now one of Birmingham's leading dentists, is in town aud will remain for some time. Dr. Lyde has quite a reputation for bridge work, and parties needing his services will save money by calling on him. He can be found at Drs. Givhan & Wilkinson's office. Dr. Lyde has a daughter in our school.

On Friday evening of last week a large audience greeted Mrs. R. E. L. Neil in her charming elocution and Delsarte recital in the college chapel. She is a graceful, talented little woman, and her work was good. Her voice is sweet and has much soul power. Her fort is in comic work. Every one of the selections in her speeial line took well, except, perhaps "tit for tat." The second number, a "Medley," was very fine, and deserves a more extended notice than we can give it here. The third number, "A Spanish Mother," was not very well done. "Absolution," the seventh number, is worthy of special comment, as is "Wild Zingerella," the twelfth number. Both of these fine selections were full of artistic effort and strength. It is very rare that an elocutionist can catch and hold an entire audience, but this is what Mrs. Neil did for almost the entire evening.

MAPLESVILLE.

Maplesville is very quiet, as usual.

Wheeler Foshee is at home on a visit. His many friends are glad to see him.

The farmers of this section have begun tc plow, and it looks like they mean business.

There will be preachiug at the M. E. Church next Suuday evening at 3 o'clock by Bro. Williams. Everybody come out and hear him.

Crump is no longer a railroad man, but strictly a ladys' man. Don't know what the girls will do, as they all want him. Guess he will have to be a Mormon.

The M. & O. R. R. is being pushed right along. The track is almost laid between here and Tuscaloosa. Will commence laying track towards Montgomery about the last of the week.

R. A. Bearden went to Clanton Saturday on a pleasure trip to see frfends and his best girl also, but we are sorry to say that he has been quite sick since he returned. Guess he ate too many oysters.

W. D. Lawrence is going to build a new store house, dwelling and gin house in town. We are glad to see our town beginning to 5uilb up. Several applications have been made for houses, but there is not a vacant one in town.

It was announced last Sunday night that Bro. Shep Bearden would conduct prayermeeting next Sunday night It is to be hoped he will have a large audience. The prayermeeting is improving to some extent, and is doing a lot of good in our community.

UNCLE TIGE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

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LOCAL.

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Go to Dr. Crowe to get your valentines.

P. P. Pritchett, of Blocton, was in town Monday.

The editor spent last Sunday with his parents at Blocton.

George Monroe, of Aldrich, was in town on Saturday last.

Miss Welch, of Calera, was in the city for a few days last week.

The circus will be here Saturday, and the small boy will be happy.

W. D. Lanier, of Blocton, was in Montevallo Saturday on business.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

Mrs. D. B. McMath visited friends and relatives at Columbiana Monday.

Attorney E. S. Lyman visited Columbiana Monday on legal business.

Messrs. Clifton Newton and Jake Vandemeer made a business trip to Brierfield to-day.

Do not overlook St. Valentine's day. Go to Crowe's and Rogan's to be reminded of it.

"Major" Strong, our ex-postmaster, is making his debut in the carpenter's profession.

H. C. & W. B. Reynolds will soon have their handsome new brick store in course of erection.

Messrs. McKibbon and Moreland will soon begin to manufacture "Montevallo wagons."

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

Miss Ethel McMath will soon be a star in the musical world. She aspires to master the mandolin.

The many friends of Miss Daisy Canterberry will be glad to learn that she has entered the Industrial school again.

Miss Sadie Lenoir, of Selma, daughter of the popular drummer, Chas. Lenoir, visited Mrs. E. S. Lyman last week.

The Southern Railway Company will beautify their station grounds here by laying off and planting a flower garden.

Judge J. M. Reynolds is having his fence repaired, which will add greatly to the appearance of his already beautiful lot.

Subscribe for the News.

Rev. F. M. Wood, of Jemison, was in town Monday, enroute from Blocton, where he is pastor of the First Baptist church.

It is rumored that Misses Margaret McArdle and Bertie Allen will receive special diplomas in the Normal course this session.

F. W. Rogan has a whistling peanut roaster. Stop and hear it, and you will at once have a desire to invest a nickle for a trial order.

Miss Sophia Fitts, assistant to Miss Kennedy, of the Industrial school, will soon have a large standard dictionary added to her teaching equipments.

J. E. Berkstressen, the popular agent of the New York Mutual Life Insurance Co., is in the city cooperating with the resident agent, Burgess Little.

Vandemeer Bros., photographers, are turning out some fine pictures. This is their last week here, so if you want a good picture of yourself or family, come at once.

C. C. Vandegrift is doing some repairing around his old store, making it look new, for the arrival of Mr. Crabb, of Dadeville, who will soon open a nice line of ladies' dress goods.

E. N. Lyde, D. D. S., of Birmingham, will be in Montevallo for some time. Parties wishing dental work will find him at the office of Drs. Givhan & Wilkinson. All work at the lowest prices.

Messrs. H. C. & W. B. Reynolds have completed an excavation for a new brick block, using the earth to build up the two streets intersecting there. The prospect is that a great deal of building will be done here this spring.

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The Montevallo grist-mill and wool-carder; in connection about 5 acres of land and two small dwellings; large water power. Right in town. Apply to P. O. Box 16, Montevallo, Ala.

AN ACT OF HEROISM.

On last Friday evening, just before the entertainment at the chapel began, one of the large lamps was in the act of exploding. Mr. Sam Farrington, who was door keeper, ascended a step ladder and seized the burning lamp and hurled it out of a window, to a safe distance from the chapel, thereby preventing what might have resulted in a fearful panic, and, probably, the loss of, or great damage to, the school building. This heroic act of Mr. Farrington's was the topic for Saturday's conversation.

Walter Sparks, a mining engineer for the T. C., I. & R. R. Co. at Blocton, is minus a horse and buggy, and was in Montevallo Monday looking for John Reindel, to whom he hired the rig. Mr. Sparks told a News man Monday that Reindel hired the horse and buggy the first of last week to go to Tuscaloosa, promising to return in three days, but up to Monday had failed to do so. Reindel is a white barber, and formerly lived in Birmingham. It is said he was seen at Gurnee with the turnout several days ago, and that he was in Birmingham on Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Sparks went up to Birmingham Monday evening on the Southern.

Milk for Sale.

Sweet milk, 10 cents per quart, butter milk, 10 cents per gallon, at Mrs. D. W. Shivers'.

Dr. F. F. Crowe has just received a large assortment of St. Valentine pictures. We expect the girls will recognize their sweetheart in the comic department.

Send your friends a Valentine. You can get them at Crowe's.

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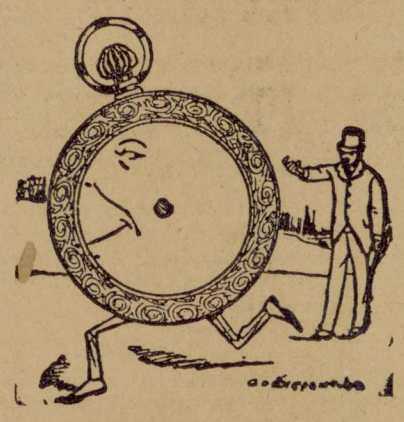

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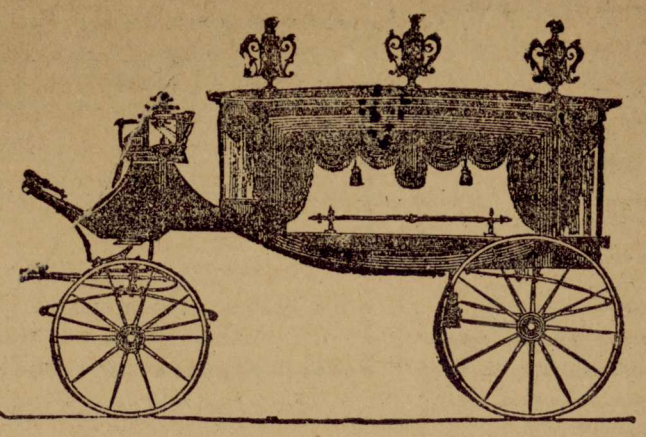

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J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mrs. Mary Bird, Harrisburg, Pa. says. "My child is worth millions to me yet I would have lost her by croup had I not invested twentyfive cents in a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure. "It cures coughs, and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

If you want to buy cheap goods, call on C. C. Vandegrift, as he is closing out.

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MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

New York claims to be growing healthier. The death rate has decreased six and a half per cent. since 1891.

A Kansas City woman who speaks feelingly on the subject says that the heaviest work any woman ever undertook was light housekeeping.

There appears to the New York Commercial Advertiser "to be no reason for the assertion that the Cuban insurgents have violated the rules of war in the reported execution of Colonel Ruiz. That officer of the enemy was given every opportunity to avoid a fate upon which he rushed with blind foolhardiness. His correspondence with his Cuban friend, Colonel Aranguren, whose reported execution is now denied, carried to him exact knowledge of the general order condemning to death all emissaries bearing the proposal to accept autonomy. When Ruiz persisted, his friend sent back to him the order of General Rodriguez, 'If he offers autonomy, do your duty,' accompanied by the warning that if the proposed interview was confined to a friendly chat, or to the independence of Cuba, all would be well; but 'if not, for God's sake do not come.' Still Ruiz persisted, and when he met his friend and pronounced the fatal word 'autonomy,' he condemned himself to death. There was no way to evade his execution, else the discipline of the entire Cuban army would have been destroyed."

However Mr. John Fox, Jr., may seem to maintain that Kentucky—barring some counties in the mountains—is very much like other civilized districts, with differences in favor of Kentucky, things do happen down there that surprise persons who are not centaurs or lineal descendants of Daniel Boone, writes E. S. Martin, in Harper's Weekly. The ardor with which eminent Kentuckians enter into disputes is always somewhat astonishing to effete Americans in other States. Where else could have developed such a difference as lately obtained as to which of two Kentucky ladies should christen the battleship Kentucky? It was settled finally, but not until the din of it had penetrated the extreme confines of the Union. How painful it all was; Miss Richardson claiming, under a patent from Secretary Herbert; that gentleman's embarrassed disclaimer; and Major Baruk Thomas's lamentation over the loss of a quart of Dan Swiggert 1855 whisky, consecrated by him to patriotic uses, and believed to have been absorbed by the Cleveland administration! Eheu! Alas! Why has Kentucky no Hans Breitmann to put its epics into verse?

Within the last few years the putting up of canned goods has become one of the most important industries of the United States. Scattered throughout this country at the present time there are not less than 2000 canneries, representing the enormous capital of $75,000,000. The industry is divided into four main branches. First comes the canning of food preparations, such as meats, cereals, soups and the like, in which branch some 5000 persons are employed and capital amounting to $7,000,000 is represented. Next comes the canning of fruits and vegetables. In this important branch of the industry not less than 60,000 persons are employed, while the capital represented amounts to $30,000,000. This branch of the industry is carried on mainly in Maryland and New York. Still another branch is concerned with the canning of preserves and pickles. In this branch of the industry several thousand persons are employed. As to the capital represented, it closely approximates $25,000,000. Last comes the canning of oysters, salmon and other kinds of fish, which employs some 15,000 persons, and represents a capital of $13,000,000. The hardships occasioned by the late war between the States greatly stimulated the canning industry in this country, but without the least interruption since that time the industry has steadily grown into its present extraordinary proportions.

CURRENT EVENTS IN OUR OWN STATE.

ANNUAL SUMMARY FOR 1897 OF THE CLIMATIC AND CROP SERVICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU.

Deplorable Accident in Which a Teacher Accidentally Kills a Pupil—Alabama's Coal Output for the Year 1897—Shipments of Cattle from the State Has Been Very Heavy—An Ex-Tax Collector Short in His Accounts.

STATE'S CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

During the Year 1897 as Compiled by the United States Weather Bureau.

The United States department of agriculture has just issued an annual summary for 1897 for the Alabama section of the climatic and crop service of the weather bureau.

The publicatien is authorized by the secretary of agriculture under the direction of Willis L. Moore, chief of weather bureau, and is compiled by Frank P. Chaffee, section director, stationed at Montgomery.

The following general climatic summary for the year 1897 for the state of Alabama will prove of interest to every class of citizens, who are subject to climatic influences :

The climatic condition in Alabama during the year 1897 were marked by a wet and backward spring and unseasonably cool and wet spell during the greater part of August and a generally dry and late fall. The late spring was detrimental to cotton, which also received a decided set back by the deficiency in warmth and excess of moisture at its most critical stage in August, but the late fall matured a large portion of the crop, which in the middle of October was not at all promising. The monthly rainfall for March was heavier in many portions of the state than for any March of which the weather bureau has a record, causing almost floods in the larger rivers and submerging lowlands, while during the fall months the deficiency in moisture caused such low rivers that navigation was suspended in the Alabama rivers for several weeks and many small streams and wells were dry. The rainfall for the year was partial to the northwestern and southwestern counties and was least in central portions of the state.

There was but one real severe freeze during the year, which occurred during the last few days of January, and it was not so severe as to seriously damage fruit trees. The month of June was marked by a number of destructive wind storms, which, while causing considerable damage to crops and property in a number of places, were mostly of a local nature, and fortunately caused no loss of life.

Temperature—Average for northern section, 62.4; for southern, 66.1; for state, 64.2, which is 1.2 degrees more than the yearly normal, but 1.4 degrees less than the average for 1896; highest, 105, at Hamilton, June 27th, Pine Apple, June 29th, Scottsboro, July 2d and Decatur, July 3d; lowest, 7 below zero at Valley Head on January 28th; annual range for entire state, 112 degrees; the greatest yearly average was 68.3 at Citronelle and the least 60.4, at Madison.

Precipitation (in inches and hundredths)—Average for northern section, 47.74; for southern, 47.92; for state, 47.83, which is 1.80 less than the yearly normal, but 3.58 more than the average for 1896; greatest yearly, 63.18 at Mobile; least, 26.93 at Clanton; greatest monthly, 20.83 at Newburg in March; least, none at a number of stations in September and at a few in October.

Weather—Average number of rainy days, 89; clear, 171, indicating more than the average amount of sunshine; partly cloudy, 76; cloudy, 118.

Wind—Prevailing direction, north; highest hourly velocity, 54 miles from northwest at Montgomery, June 19th; total yearly movement, Montgomery, 57.207 miles; Mobile, 64.954; Pensacola, Fla., 84.165; average hourly velocity, 6.6 miles at Montgomery and 7.4 at Mobile.

Frost—Average date of last killing in spring: Northern section, April 4th; southern section, March 4th. Average date of first killing in autumn: Northern section, November 6th; southern section, November 25th.

Long Distance Telephones to be Placed.

W. S. Ford, of Boston, chief engineer of the American Bell Telephone Company, and W. T. Gentry, assistant superintendent of the Southern Bell Telephone Company of Atlanta, are in Birmingham arranging for making extensive improvements in Birmingham's telephone service. The Bell Company has recently purchased the two-story brick building on Second avenue, next to the postoffice. It will be at once remodelled and fitted up for a telephone office. A switch board that will cost more than $20,000 will be put in, and before very many months long-distance telephone lines will connect Birmingham with Atlanta, Nashville, Montgomery and other cities.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Ex-Congressman Cobb is a candidate for attorney-general.

The Mobile Register has passed its seventy-eighth anniversary.

Eighty per cent of the Lauderdale county taxes is paid by Florence.

Galem, alias "Pig" Horton, was shot and instantly killed by Lige Hall at Huntsville Friday night.

Marshall county populists will hold a convention at Guntersville March 12 to select candidates to make the race for county offices.

The new town of Brock, in Coffee county, is coming along handsomely. A central school is to be built, and land has been donated for churches of several denominations.

The first train over the new road reached Enterprise the past week. On to Elba is the watchword and Coffee county will soon be in railroad communication with the world.

Hon. Charles A. Towne, former member of congress from Duluth, Minn., chirman of the silver republican party, delivered an address in Birmingham Monday night.

Last week Mr. J. T. Watt sold to Mr. J. B. Mitchell, of Letohatchie, probably the largest hog that was ever raised in Greenville. Mr. Watt says the hog was only two years old and weighed 700 pounds. It was a Berkshire boar.

The grand jury at Selma reported Tuesday thirty-three true bills, making a total of ninety-two in all, and still there are several more cases to be investigated. There were fifteen homicides to be investigated by the present grand jury.

Two Mormon elders are in Selma this week, and declare their intention of establishing a Mormon church there. They are making a house-to-house canvass of the city, and when permitted, enter and discuss their doctrines. They claim to have eighteen organizations, consisting of 865 members, in the state.

Fred Nabors and the two Dempey boys, all white, aged 12, 9 and 7 years, set on fire two barns in Montgomery Friday morning, which were a total loss. They confessed also to setting on fire the Baptist church the day previous and another stable, besides other attempts at incendiarism. They say did it with coal oil, and wanted to see the fire engines run.

Preparing for the Chautauqua.

Mr. Wellington Vandiver has been elected manager of the Alabama Chautauqua and he will associate with him twenty of Talladega's best business men, who will constitute a board of control. All receipts of the Chautauqua will be retained by the citizens and devoted to the improvement and continuation of the Chautauqua. The manager will conduct it free of charge, and without compensation, except as the board of control may determine. The amount to be paid for talent will be $1,000. The program will last but fifteen days—from June 30th to July 16th. Some of the attractions the management will try to secure will be Hon. Jerry Simpson, of Kansas; James Whitcomb Riley, the Bell Ringers, the Moving Pictures, Eli Perkins, Wm. J. Bryan, John Temple Graves, Jerry Black's Picture Play, Slayton Jubilee Singers, Arion Quartette, President Geo. Hindley, Miss Hearn, Kellogg Bird Carnival and other well known attractions.

Of Interest to Confederates.

Governor Johnston is in receipt of a letter from an old federal soldier at East Beady, Pa., seeking to ascertain the names and whereabouts of the relatives of one J. D. Brown, a Confederate soldier and member of Company K, Nineteenth regiment, Alabama volunteers, who fell a victim on the battlefield at Missionary Ridge.

Teacher Accidentally Kills a Pupil.

A deplorable accident occurred at Yantley, Butler county, last week. John D. Phillips, who is teaching at that place noticed two of his scholars quarreling, and went out to quell the disturbance. He told the boys to desist and go into the house. One of them went in very readily, but the other, James Wilson, refused to go. Phillips started toward him to assert his authority as master of the school. Wilson refused and struck him twice with a base ball bat. In the meantime Phillips had picked up another bat and struck Wilson a light blow on the temple, at which he dropped to the ground and became unconscious. He never rallied, and soon after he died.

ALABAMA COAL FIELDS

In Marion and Western Counties Will be Developed.

There is no longer any doubt that the coal fields in the western part of the state in Marion county will be speedily developed and opened up to the world. Captain W. H. Spradin is now at Winfield on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad to make the survey for a railroad from that town to some point where direct transportation can be had to the seaboard. A survey will first be made to Tuskaloosa by way of Fayette. By this route the Winfield coal can be taken to the Warrior river at Tuskaloosa, and loaded on the barges there for Mobile, or distributed throughout the southern part of the state by means of the new Mobile & Ohio extension from Tuskaloosa to Montgomery. Coal could also be shipped from Tuskaloosa down the Alabama Great Southern to New Orleans.

Three other surveys will be made from Winfield, one to Columbus, another to West Point via Vernon, and the third to Aberdeen. For a direct route to New Orleans, the route by way of West Point seems to be the most favorable. At that point it can connect with the Illinois Central.

This scheme is being carried out by the Mississippi Valley Coal and Railway company, and not by the Illinois Central or any other of the big roads, as has been stated. In this company are Henry Wellman, president of the Teutonic Savings bank of New Orleans, and several other capitalists of that city and Mississippi. The object of the company is to get a splint coal into New Orleans that can compete with the Pittsburg product. They sent a coal expert throughout the south to look up the best field of this coal, and the very best quality was found in Marion county. The bed is six by eight miles in size, the seam is from three feet to forty inches thick and is very easily mined. This company bought it all up, 18,000 acres.

Capt. W. H. Spradlin, the chief engineer, who is to make the surveys, is one of the pioneer railroad builders of this state, having had charge of the work on the South & North and other roads in Alabama. He has already sent a carload of surveying and camping implements necessary to make the survey to Winfield.

Will Participate in Democratic Primaries.

Twelve leading populists of Jefferson county have issued a call to the members of the people's party in that county to hold a meeting in Birmingham February 19, to determine whether or not they will participate in the democratic primaries. Following is the list of names signed to the call: G. W. Ellis, M. C. Ragsdale, G. U. Belcher, J. B. M'Cormack, C. P. Ward, R. M. Inzer, T. W. M'Donald, W. A. J. Reed, W. F. Lambert, W. H. Fitzpatrick, M. A. McCutcheon, Jere Fountain.

Six Million Tons.

State Mine Inspector J. D. Hillhouse has received reports from all the coal mines in the state except four on last year's output. The total so far foots up 5,800,000 tons, and Hillhouse says when all are heard from it will go to the six million ton mark. The total output of 1896, heretofore the largest in the state's history, was 5,743,697 tons. Last year's showing even breaks this big record. Alabama's coal industry was never so prosperous before as now.

Marion Nominates City Officers.

As a result of the mass meeting of citizens held in the court house last Friday afternoon to nominate municipal officers to be voted for at the coming election on the 1st day of March. Mr. E. T. Robinson received the nomination for mayor, Messrs. R. B. Wallace, S. A. Nelms, T. T. Daughdrill, James Gregory, W. H. Mason, Sr., and A. L. Pope for councilmen.

Murdered His Parents.

One of the most horrible crimes ever perpetrated in the state took place five miles north of Mulberry, in Franklin county, Arkansas, Thursday night. Sol F. Autrey, a farmer, accompanied by his family, went out to visit his aged father and mother, living neor Mulberry. Shortly after his arrival Autrey became engaged in a religious argument with the old folks. Suddenly he grasped an iron bar, killing his aged father, mother and his 10-year-old son and seriously wounded his wife and three remaining children, two of whom are not expected to live. The murderer is insane, declaring that witches were the cause of the act.

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

Three Big English Squadrons Have Been Ordered to Be in Readiness.

A special from Shanghai says : "The North China Gazette says the British Indian, Australian and Pacific squadrons have been ordered to be ready to reinforce the fleet in the far East, thus giving the British Admiral a fleet capable of coping with "any combination opposing the British policy."

"In the meanwhile," adds the Gazette, "the British claim in Yang Tse Kiang will be supported by a strong squadron stationed at Chusan, to which place two other warships are en route. In the event of Russia hoisting her flag over the fort at Port Arthur, the British Admiral has been ordered to hoist the English flag over Chusan, and the Japanese fleet will ascend the Yang Tse Kiang so soon as the river rises.

"About 7,500 Russian artillery and cavalry and quantities of stores and munitions have arrived at Kirin, the capital of the Manchurian province of Kirin."

IS IT RETALIATION?

Sixteen Thousand Barrels of American Apples Denied Admittance by Germans.

A special from Berlin says: The Prussian minister of finance, Dr. Miguel, issued a decree the past week, which goes into effect immediately, prohibiting the importation of every kind of American fresh fruit. The decree has been sent to all the German ports and frontier stations excepting Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemburg.

The United States embassy was not previously warned, and the United States ambassador, Mr. Andrew D. White, sent a formal letter to the foreign office inquiring upon what authority this inimical step was taken.

The United States consul at Hamburg, Dr. Hugh Pitcairn, telegraphs that 16,000 barrels of American apples have been forbidden to be unloaded and that two trains of American fruit have also been forbidden to cross the frontier at Emmerich, which, aside from Hamburg, is the principal place of entry.

BISCUIT TRUST ORGANIZED.

Over 90 Per Cent of All Big Bakeries in in the Consolidation.

All the big biscuit and cracker companies between Salt Lake City on the west, Portland, Me., on the east, St. Paul in the north and New Orleans on the south, are now under one management, under the name of the National Biscuit Company. It is capitalized at $25,000,000 of preferred and $30,000,000 of common stock.

Incorporation papers were taken out in New Jersey. The new company has purchased for cash all the assets, bills receivable and operating plants of all the bakeries which were controlled by the American Biscuit and Manufacturing Company, United States Baking Company and New York Biscuit Company.

United States Car Plant Sold.

The properties of the United States Car Company, comprising the plants in Anniston and Decatur, Ala., saw mills and timber lands in Etowah, Calhoun and Cherokee counties, were sold Thursday. The sale was made by J. A. W. Smith, special master, and the property was bought by Richard Reid Rogers, of New York, representing the reorganization committee, for $60,000. The property is now being operated by the Illinois Car and Equipment Company, a corporation formed by the reorganization committee.

Klondike Speculators.

The steamer Queen sailed from Tacoma Friday for Skaguay and Dyea. She carries northward 1,000 passengers, 1,300 tons of freight, 200 dogs, 30 horses and a score of carcasses of dressed cattle, hogs and sheep. The women wore short skirts, knickerbockers and other snug costumes. Nearly all the passengers on the Queen intend to ultimately go to the interior of Alaska. The passengers are from every quarter of the globe.

Reindeer Start for America.

A cablegram received at the war department Friday from Dr. Jackson, at Altena, Norway, announced that the steamship Manitoban, chartered by the United States government, had just sailed from that port for New York with 530 reindeer and 87 Lapp men and women to care for the animals and drive them on the government relief expedition when they arrive in Alaska.

May Exclude American Horses.

Baron Von Hammedstein-Loxten, the German minister of agriculture, at Friday's session of the Prussian diet, declared that American horses developed influenza after importation. He added: "If the importations increase we shall certainly be forced to adopt a suitable quarantine in order to protect ourselves."

Opposed to Sectarian Institutions.

Judge Hagner, in the equity court at Washington, has made a ruling of far-reaching importance, holding in effect, that it is unconstitutional for congress to appropriate money for sectarian institutions.

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK.

Topics of the Times Chronicled in Brief Paragraphs.

GEN. GOMEZ CALLED TO NEW YORK.

A Woman and Grand-Child Burned to Death—Strike May be Ordered at New Bedford—Sheriff Martin's Trial in Progress—Other Items.

The State bank of Crawford, Neb., has failed.

The Illinois legislature favors the annexation of Hawaii.

A strike may be ordered in the New Bedford, Mass., cotton mills.

At Savannah, Ga., E. L. Patton committed suicide by taking laudanum.

The United States cruiser Montgomery has arrived at Mantanzas, Cuba.

At Hattiesburg, Miss., Mrs. Willie Ward was so badly burned that she died.

At Camilla, Ga., Kim Smith shot and instantly killed J. H. Baggs Saturday.

The insurgents have dynamited and destroyed a pontoon railroad line near San Felipe, province of Havana.

The Lake Shore and the New York Central railroads have combined, and are now under one management.

Capt. J. J. Arnold, chief of the Dallas, Tex., police department, accidentally shot and killed himself.

Joseph Smith, director of the Bureau of America Republics, died at Miami, Fla., Saturday, of heart failure.

Miss Blount, a patient in the lunatic asylum at Jackson, Miss., was found dead in a bath tub the past week.

State of the condition of the treasury: Available cash balance, $224,155,713; gold reserve, $164,566,000.

Jack Delaney's nine-year-old daughter and her grandmother were burned to death about five miles from Swainsboro, Ga.

The trial of Sheriff Martin, who figured in the slaughter of the miners in the Hazeltown, Pa., district, is now in progress.

Winter grasshoppers have appeared in great numbers on the farm of Sam Blackwell, near Wilhoite, Marshall county, Tenn.

It is asserted on high military authority that General Gomez has been called to New York by the Cuban Revolutionary Junta.

The Rhode Island Locomotive Works has filed a petition of insolvency, placing its assets at $818,000 and its liabilities at $616,700.

Will Dyer, watchman on the Vicksburg and Yazoo river packet Memphis, fell overboard from that boat near Yazoo City, Miss., and was drowned.

Commissioner of Health Reynolds, of Chicago, has accepted an invitation to be present at the National Quarantine convention at Mobile, Ala., Feb. 9.

The republicans have organized their congressional campaign committee in Washington. Representatives were chosen and work for the campaign laid out.

The corner-stone of Sam Houston college was laid at Austin, Texas, with appropriate ceremonies. The college is for the Christian education of colored youth.

The South Carolina legislature has passed an act putting telegraph and express companies under the control of the state railroad commission, just as railroads are.

Archibald McLaren, has been arrested at Cleveland, O., on the charge of appropriating to his own use $15,000 belonging to the order of Scottish Clans, of which he was treasurer.

Ethan A. Hitchcook, of Missouri, now minister to Russia, has had the title of ambassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Russia conferred upon him by the president.

A horrible accident occurred in King George county, Va., by which Mrs. Thadeus Sordell and a young daughter of hers were so severely burned that they died within a few hours of each other.

A secret organization, known as the American Patriotic League, has been organized in New Mexico, the object of which is to accomplish the death of the president and his cabinet by the use of dynamite.

The Mobile & Ohio railroad has ordered 1,000 new freight cars, ten new locomotives, and 10,000 tons of steel rails are said to have been contracted for for use of the Montgomery extension of that line.

President Diaz, of Mexico, says he cannot leave his country without the consent of congress, and that body not being in session, he is forced to decline the invitation of New Orleans to visit their Mardi Gras.

Fire at Wayne, W. Va., destroyed Walker's dry goods store, Bean's grocery house, Burgess' millinery store, Walker's hotel, Pritchard's Inn, Smith's hotel and several smaller buildings. Loss estimated at $600,000, with but little insurance.

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

At southern trade centers, business, as reported by The Tradesman's many correspondents shows a healthy increase, with indications favorable for still greater improvement when the spring season opens.

While this is the "waiting season," the demand for iron continues good and the furnaces are well stocked with orders. While the consumption of pig iron is gaining, the production at present somewhat exceeds the demand, though not enough to cause prices to decline. The demand for finished products and car material is especially heavy.

The southern lumber market is firm, the mills are all busy and prices are advancing. An encouraging feature of the trade is the increased demand for common grades of lumber, for which there has heretofore been practically no market.

Business at the coal mines continues active and the textile mills report a good sale for their products.

Among the most prominent new industries for the week The Tradesman reports the following:

The Rose Manufacturing Co., capital, $50,000, Dallas, Tex.; brick works at Natchez, Miss., and brick and tile works at St. Augustine, Fla.; a $25,000 brewery at Louisville, Ky.; the Oak Hill Roller Flouring Mill, capital, $10,000, at Greensboro, N. C., and other flouring mills at Green Forest and Pedro, Ark., High Point, N. C., and Gibbs Tenn., glass works at Morgantown, W. Va.; the Georgetown Ice Co., capital $10,000, at Georgetown, Tex., and two ice factories at Rocky Mount, N. C. The Kellett-Chatham Machinery Co., capital, $50,000, has been chartered at Waco, Tex.; the Gilreath Coal and Iron Co., capital, $25,000, at Birmingham, Ala.: the Copper River Gold Mining and Prospecting Co., at Fort Worth, Tex., and the Alpha Mining Co., capital, $30,000, at Rockford, N. C. The Helena Box Factory, capital, $60,000, has been incorporated at Helena, Ark.; the Velasco, Box Factory, capital, $10,000, at Velasco, Tex., the Brooks Lumber Co., capital, $100,000, at Bath, S. C., and the Lexington Lumber and Manufacturing Co., capital, $20,000, at Lexington, Ky. Saw mills will be erected at Cluttsville and Jemison, Ala., and at Hale, Miss.

Crosby Surrenders.

German H. Crosby, a convicted murderer, in Chilton Co., Ala., who escaped soon after sentenced, has surrendered. The case of Crosby and the circumstances surrounding make it indeed remarkable in view of the fact that he surrendered to serve out the ten years' sentence imposed upon him by the court at its fall term, 1895, not knowing that his case had been passed upon by the supreme court. His case was reversed and remanded and set for a re-hearing.

Japan No Longer Objects.

Japan has been removed as an element in the opposition to the consummation of the annexation of the Hawaiian islands by the United States. This result has been attained by the conclusion of an agreement between our government and that of Japan, presented by Minister Toro Hoshi, which by practically settling the status of the Japanese in Hawaii, removes the only substantial difference that has existed between the two governments.

His Nerve Was a Surprise.

"Boys, string me up if you like, but remember you are hanging the steadiest man with a six-shooter that ever came out of Montana. You say it's all right to hang me, and I guess it is. I am only sorry I did not get the rest of them." These were the last words spoken by Doc Tanner when he faced his executioners near Seattle, Wash., a few days since, who was lynched for the crime of murdering two of his companions.

Southern Labor Organization.

A movement to organize "The Southern Confederacy of Labor" has been started in Atlanta, Ga., and is now so far under way that a convention probably will be held to formally launch the new organization. The plan is to call a convention of the white organizations of the South for the purpose of bringing about harmony and concert of action among them, independent of big labor unions and federations of the North.

New Railroad for Arkansas.

The White River, Lonoke & Western railroad company, with a capital stock of $350,000, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state of Arkansas. It is the intention of the promoters of the enterprise to build the road from a point near Jacksonville, in Pulaski county, to the town of Lonoke; thence in an eastern direction to Arkansas county, on the White river.

Fire in Anniston.

The handsome residence of John B. Knox, at Anniston, Ala., valued at $10,000, was totally destroyed by fire Thursday. It was insured for about one-fourth the value.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

The Teller resolution from the senate, declairing the bonds of the United States payable in either gold or silver at the option of the government, was taken up in the house today. There was a great deal of activity among the leaders of both sides before the house met in anticipation of a very exciting debate over the resolution, which those in control had decided to defeat before sundown. The members on both sides had been notified in advance and the attendance on the floor was very large. The struggle opened immediately after the journal, when Mr. Dingley of Maine, chairman of the ways and means committee, reported back the resolution with the recommendation that "it do not pass." The debate consumed the entire day, when at 5 o'clock the vote was taken, resulting in its defeat by a vote of 182 to 132. Party ranks were held intact on the vote and only three breaks occurred. Republicans cheered long and loud over their victory, and then at 5:35 the house adjourned.

The Senate.

John C. McLaurin was sworn in as senator from South Carolina to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Earle.... The bill introduced by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, providing that all pensioners now receiving less than $10 per month receive that amount after the bill's passage was reported adversely.... The agricultural appropriation bill was placed on the calendar.... Mr. Morgan presented a resolution requesting the president, if consistent with public service, to send to the senate the correspondence relating to the negotiations and exchange of ratifications upon a treaty between the United States and Great Britain relating to compensation for the seizure of British ships in Bering sea.... Mr. Foraker called up the bill providing for the purchase of the Kansas Pacific branch of the Union Pacific railroad. The bill went over.... The army appropriation bill was passed, carrying $23,143,492.... The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, with slight amendments, was passed. The bill carried $21,505,245.... The senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The military academy appropriation bill was reported to the house today. The anti-civil service reformers won a slight victory when Mr. Perkins, of Iowa, presented a resolution for printing the hearings of the civil service committee.... A bill was passed authorizing the secretary of the treasury to build or purchase a suitable vessel for revenue cutter service on the Yukon river, to cost not exceeding $40,000.... The senate resolution for the relief of Ex-Senator Call, of Florida, was adopted.... Then at 12:30 p. m. the house went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill which was begun on Saturday.... At 1 o'clock the debate drifted into politics.... Mr. Mahany, of New York, presented to the house a petition of 100,000 voters in opposition to the Lodge immigration bill. He made an impassioned speech against the tolerance of those who desired to close the gates to immigration, after which the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the session of the senate today Mr. Clark rose to a point of personal privilege to defend his vote for the Nelson amendment to the Teller resolution, providing that gold and silver coins should be maintained at a parity.... The resolution of Mr. Pettigrew declaring it to be the policy of the United States not to acquire territory to defend which a navy would be required, went over until tomorrow at the request of the author.... Mr. Morgan's resolutions presented yesterday calling upon the president for correspondence and information relating to the arbitration of the British seizure claims was adopted.... The senate then, at 12:40 p. m., on motion of Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relations committee, went into executive session.... At 4:45 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

At the opening of the session of the house today Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a resolution directing the secretary of war to issue medals to 530 Pennsylvania soldiers who belonged to the command which passed through the mob at Baltimore April 13, 1861, and who received the thanks of Congress July 22, 1861. Consideration was objected to, and the resolution went over.... The army appropriation bill was sent to conference.... The house then resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The bill was completed and passed, after which the house took up the fortification appropriation bill. It was arranged that the general debate should close tomorrow at 3 o'clock. Debate for the day was closed at 5 o'clock and the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In the senate today Mr. Hawley, of Connecticut, secured the adoption of a resolution directing the secretary of the interior to furnish the senate the total per capita cost of educating Indian children at certain schools; the total cost of transporting pupils to and from the schools, including the number transported; approximately what proportion of the children educated in the schools return to the blanket and camp condition, and what can be done to prevent such retrogression and continue the children in the lines of progress on which they have ente ed. .... At 12:35 p. m. the vice president laid before the senate the resolution of Mr. Pettigrew, declaring it to be opposed to the policy of the United States to acquire territory to defend which a navy would be required. On motion of Mr. Hale the senate went into executive session to consider the resolution, which was concluded at 4:20. The senate then proceeded to the consideration of open session business. The agricultural appropriation bill was called up, and after being read, the senate adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

A bill was passed in the house today appropriating $10,000 for a survey and report on the practicability of securing a 35-foot channel in the southwest pass of the Mississippi river. The house then resumed consideration of the fortifications appropriation bill. At 3 o'clock general debate closed and the bill was taken up for consideration under the five minutes rule. Mr. McClellan, of New York, offered an amendment to increase the appropriation for gun and mortar batteries from $1,000,000 to $5,000,000. It was voted down. Without completing the bill, at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill repealing an act granting American register to the steamers Claribel and others, was reported and passed.... Germany's order prohibiting the importation of American fruits into that empire called out a resolution from Mr. Davis, of Minnesota, calling upon the president to transmit to the senate the correspondence and other information bearing upon the matter in his possession, or in that of the state department. The resolution was agreed to.... Mr. White, of California, introduced the following resolution and asked that it lie on the table: Resolved, That of right, it belongs wholly to the people of the Hawaiian islands to establish and maintain their own form of government and domestic policy; that the United States ought in nowise to interfere therewith and that any intervention in the political affairs of those islands by any other government will be regarded as an act unfriendly to the United States. .... Mr. Cullom then called up the agricultural appropriation bill, the reading of which was concluded last evening. An amendment was offered to the effect that $20,000 be included to provide for gathering information and other data on the subject of irrigating arid western lands. The amendment was adopted and the bill carrying $3,527,202 was passed.... A bill providing for the appointment of an additional district judge for Texas was passed.... The senate then adjourned.

The House—Friday.

In the house today a bill was passed to amend the act of January 31, 1895, granting rights of way through the public domain for tramways, canals and reservoirs so as to grant those rights for cities and private corporations.... Mr. Fleming, of Georgia, asked unanimous consent to set aside next Monday for the consideration of the bill reported by the Pacific railroad committee to grant additional powers to the president in the matter of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad. It was objected to.... The house proceeded to the consideration of private bills. The private pension bills favorably acted upon at the session last Friday night were first considered. A desultory debate followed upon the measure.... Mr. Fleming during the consideration of one of the pension bills took advantage of the latitude allowed for debate to discuss the question of protecting the government's interests in the approaching sale of the Kansas Pacific road.... At 5 p. m. the house recessed until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

The Senate.

A bill providing for the erection of a public building at Beaumont, Tex., at a cost not to exceed $100,000, was passed.... Mr. Platt, of New York, offered a resolution which was referred to the committee on military affairs, directing the secretary of war to return to the Seventh regiment artillery (formerly the 113th New York, V. I.), the flags of the regiment.... A bill authorizing the construction of two bridges across the Choctawhatchie river, a navigable stream, in Dale county, Alabama, was passed.... Mr. Lindsay then took the floor to speak on the resolution of the Kentucky legislature asking him to resign, during which he spoke briefly in defense of his course in the senate.... At 12:35 o'clock the senate went into executive session, and at 3:40 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

At the opening of the session of the house today a resolution was presented declaring that in the contest between Samuel Hudson and William McAleer, of Pennsylvania, for a seat in the house Mr. McAleer is entitled to the seat. Without division the report was adopted.... A bill granting to the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company the right to construct a branch of its railroad in the Indian Territory was passed.... A senate bill authorizing the Muscogee Coal and Railway Company to construct and operate a railway through the Indian Territory and Oklahoma was passed. .... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the fortifications appropriation bill. After several minor amendments were offered and defeated, the bill was passed, and the house adjourned until Monday.

A Good Worker.

We find the following among the resolutions passed by the white Teachers' Institute, of Montgomery county, before they adjourned Friday.

"Resolved third, That thanks be extended to Dr. E. R. Eldridge, president of the Troy Normal State College, for the invaluable services he rendered in making the institute beneficial and interesting. Time will never efface from our minds the important information which he imparted while in our midst."

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Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

HE PROPOSED.

He—I leave here to-morrow. How long shall you remain, Miss Grey?

She—That depends upon you.

LABOR THROWN AWAY.

Waggles—I tell you, I talked to him like a father.

Wiggles—It won't do any good, if he listened to you like a son.

EXPRESSIVE.

Mother—And what did the professor say of our daughter's voice?

Father—He—he says she sings as Patti don't.

AS THEY PASS.

Mabel—There's that Jones girl. Don't you bow to her?

Maud—I never even look at her—what an atrocious gown she's wearing.

AND THE DANCE WENT ON.

Mr. Dashing (of Chicago)—Are you fond of codfish balls, Miss Olive?

Miss Olive (of St. Louis)—I don't believe I ever attended one.

TOO EASILY SATISFIED.

He—If I could even kiss you once a week I would be perfectly happy.

She—Once a week? You have been trifling with me, sir.

AND THEN THEY MADE UP.

"Men's promises," the young wife said between sobs, "are like pie crust——"

"That's tough," said the young husband, and then she got angry enough to cry.

INDICATIONS.

The Bookkeeper (confidentially)—The boss is contemplating the discharge of somebody.

The Typewriter—I noticed that there was fire in his eye.

FEELS SO, TOO.

Patience—What is the cheapest-looking thing you ever saw about a bargain counter?

Patrice—A husband waiting for his wife.

HOME REMEDIES.

"When my wife gets a cold I can cure it in a day."

"What do you give her?"

"Nothing; I simply say that if she is well by night I will take her to the theatre."

AFTER THE EVICTION.

"In one respect at least," said Eve, "you have been an exceptional husband."

"How is that?" asked Adam.

"Never since our marriage," she replied, "have you once pronounced my biscuits inferior to those your mother manufactured."

NARROW ESCAPE.

Perry Patettic—"I hear you was caught takin' a bath, more or less."

Wayworn Watson—"Wot could I do? A woman throwed a whole bucket of soapsuds on me, an' you didn't think I was goin' to let it stay on an' soak into me system, did ye?"

THE CLOUD ON HER FACE.

"Anabel!" he exclaimed rapturously.

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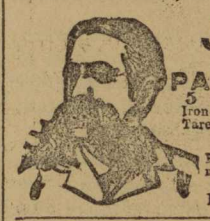

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THE BILLVILLE DEBATE.

Bretherin had a meetin'—jest as lively as could be;
Subject fer discussion: "Is Salvation Really Free?"
Fer the rival meetin' houses talked it out from dark ter dawn,
That they'd save the Presbyterians, but—the Methodists wuz gone!

Th e Baptists said 'twuz sartin as the mornin' follered night
Th at they had the road ter glory an' wuz runnin' of it right;
An' the proud Episcopalians said the thing wuz plain as day
That they'd have ter take the gospel the Episcopalian way!

The Methodists wuz 'mong 'em an' holdin' ter their place,
An' stickin' ter their privilege of fallin' way from grace;
An' so, they met together, jest as earnest as could be,
Ter settle that big question: "Is Salvation Really Free?"

They talked from dark ter day time—they shouted out their views;
They made the pulpit tremble—ripped the railin' off the pews;
But they come ter no decision till a preacher says, says he:
"It's sartin' in this neighborhood, salvation's really free!

"An' I'll prove it! Come up, brethren, 'till you're all in hearin' reach:
Jest tell me whar's that salary you promised me to preach?
You've been feedin' on the gospel till the souls of you are fat,
An' the preacher's coat is threadbare an' the wind howls through his hat!

"You listen to the sarmont, but the whole contented crowd
When we takes up a collection are a-snorin' long and loud!
Can't hear the hymn we're singin'—the basket never see,
An' it's my onbiased jedgment that you've got salvation free!"

The Presbyterian preacher said he'd sign his name ter that;
The Baptists said 'twuz sartin that the brother had it pat!
The Episcopalians j'ined him thar. 'Twuz plain as plain could be
The people in that neighborhood had got salvation free!

One man laid down a dollar; another one give five;
Then tens and twenties fluttered till the meetin' looked alive!
An' the last seen of the preachers—they wuz jottin' down their notes
An' havin' of their measures took fer bran' new broadcloth coats!

—(Atlanta Constitution.

What It Cost to Get a Seat in Congress to Which Another Man Was Elected.

The Washington Post gives out the following in its "Under the Dome" column, as to the Aldrich-Plowman contest case:

"Representative Taylor, of Ohio, in the exhaustive Aldrich Plowman contested election case, made some peculiar discoveries in the course of his investigation. The particular case cited by him was in one of the Fourth Alabama district precincts, where the democratic politicians had the name of Nathan Lewis on their poll books as voting.

"Now, it is not uncommon," said Mr. Taylor, "in these elections throughout the South to discover that some dead man has voted; but in the case of Nathan Lewis, we not only know that he is dead, but we have a receipt for his coffin, and the receipt is in evidence, showing that not only did he die, but that somebody had to pay for burying."

This was too much for the equanimity of either republicans or democrats, and both sides laughed at Mr. Taylor's peculiar discovery.

Taxing Bachelors.

Montgomery Advertiser.

New Jersey is bound to make herself noted for something besides cranberries and mosquitoes. One of her legislators named Weller, who may be a relation of the original Samuel, has introduced a bill to levy an annual tax on bachelors, and what is more to the purpose he says he is in dead earnest about it, and isn't working any buncombe business. The tax is to be two dollars a year on each unmarried man, and, to prevent any young fellow hiding behind parental barricades, the tax is to be enforced whether the man lives with his parents or not. The law is intended to be so framed as to catch every man who is not provided with at least one wife. If a man prefers to live out his days alone he must pay for the privilege. But the question naturally arises, whether this tax is a punishment for misfortune or for bad taste. If a man has been so unfortunate as not to have been able to take unto himself a wife, it seems hard to add to his mortification and suffering by taxation, but if he remains single because he is too lazy to support a wife, perhaps he ought to pay for it.

It may be news to many to learn that this proposed tax is not a new idea in that State. There was formerly a law of the same kind on the statute books, which was repealed sixty years ago. The bachelors of that day were as much opposed to such sumptuary legislation as they are now, and were able to bring such arguments to bear on the legislature as caused the repeal of the obnoxious law. The committee having the question of repeal in charge, claimed that all bachelors were not guilty of celibacy of malice prepense, and that their enforced single blessedness rendered them more worthy of pity than of blame.

Doubtless if the matter should be left to the fair sex they would decide in favor of the tax. They would argue that any man could get married if he would, and that if he remained single it was of his own choice and he ought to be required to pay for it. It will be interesting, if this bill becomes a law, to watch the result, and note the workings of such legislation. It may afford some novelty, if but little revenue.

The Sackville-West Episode.

Selma Journal.

The dismissal of De Lome, the obnoxious Spanish minister at Washington, recalls the Sackville-West episode several years ago during the Cleveland administration, when Mr. Bayard was Secretary of State. Sir Lionel Sackville West, the predecessor of Sir Julien Pauncefort, was the minister at Washington. A Mr. Murchison, of Pomona, Cal., an American citizen, but born in England, asked the minister's advice as to how he should vote in the presidential election, and received a reply that any political party which openly favored the mother country at that time would be unpopular, but he (Sackville West) believed that President Cleveland would manifest a spirit of conciliation in dealing with the questions involved in his message.

These letters were published and Secretary Bayard was very indignant at what he thought was an unwarranted interference of a foreign minister in the domestic affairs of this country. Minister Phelps at London was directed to call Lord Salisbury's attention to this breach of decorum, but the English prime minister refused to recall Sackville West, whereupon he was dismissed by Bayard. The British government took offense at this, and for some time it had no minister at Washington and was represented only by a charge d'affairs.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Miss Mattie May Barker has returned to school after an absence of three weeks at her home, where she was called by the illness of her mother, who, we are glad to say, is now greatly improved.

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Among our visitors this week were Mrs. Wm. Lyman, Miss Mary Kroell, and Mrs. Isaac Price, of Avondale. We are always glad to have our home folk, as well as strangers, visit us.

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Our elocution teacher, Miss Francis, gives physical culture lessons to the entire school twice a week.

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A class of thirty-eight pupils has been formed in Elocution, and to this class Miss Francis gives Delsarte once a week.

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Miss Christabel Mahan of Brierfield, a former pupil of the A. P. I., spent Sunday with the Misses Kroell.

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It is rumored that our president has ordered several tennis sets for us, and, if this be true, ere long the cry of "love, fifteen," will be heard ringing ever the campus.

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Miss Julia Grey left for her home at Troy, much to the regret of her many friends at the Dormitory.

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Miss Minnie Meyer was delighted by a visit from her sister, who spent Saturday and Sunday with her.

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Mrs. G. Nelson is now in Montgomery, where she was accompanied by Misses Mamie Guy and Rhoda Latham, who are taking orders for some very handsome costumes, to be made in the dressmaking department. She was so busy that she telegraphed for two more young ladies, and Misses Wilma Saunders and Lucy Leeper were sent to her rescue.

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Miss Neil Chandler enjoyed a pleasant visit from her brother this week.

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Mr. H. A. McArdle, who has recently been sojourning in Colorado and New Mexico, paid his sister, Miss Margaret, a flying visit last week, which was a most pleasant surprise.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

February 13th: Officers and teachers present, 16; scholars present, 156; total, 172: on roll, 210; visitors, 2; collection, $2.00.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

February 13: Scholars present, 127; scholars absent, 59; officers and teachers present, 13; officers and teachers absent, 7; visitors, 6; total, 146. Collection, 88 cents.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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Montevallo, - - Ala.

The Womans' Press Association of Alabama has just been organized at Montgomery with Mrs. George C. Ball, of Birmingham, as President, and Mrs. Margaret E. O'Brien Davis as Secretary. The names enrolled in the association embrace many of the finest women writers in the State. We note that Mrs. Kate Jarvis (Alma) of this city, is appointed one of the delegates to the woman's convention at New Orleans. The Journal congratulates the association on its excellent work and wishes for it success in the future.—Selma Journal.

Montevallo News.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

Two items in the budget of the bank at Monte Carlo, for the year ending October 31: "Payments to ruined gamblers, one hundred thousand francs; for the prevention of suicides, one hundred thousand francs." Here is a sermon, "writ large," on the question. Does gambling pay?

In South Germany finishing schools, to train young women in presiding over a home, have been recently developed. The girls admitted must have an ordinary grammar-school education. Not over twenty boarders are taken in each school. These girls are obliged to take care of their rooms, and every week four are selected who must manage the household for the week, buying supplies and attending to all the details of cooking and other work, including sewing and making of garments. Under proper supervision this ought to make girls good housekeepers, and it certainly ought to have a tendency to keep down the divorces in Germany.

Although the so-called curfew ordinances have encountered considerable ridicule, the police reports from Lincoln, Neb.; Omaha, St. Joseph, Mo., Denver, Col., and Des Moines Iowa, declare that it has been a success. There is a large decrease in the arrests of youths; there is an improvement in study. and a reduction in commitments to the reform school. The law in many places no longer needs enforcement, for the children are no longer on the streets. With the exception of Omaha, no attempt has been made to put such a law in force in any metropolis. There is no question, however, comments the Washington Star, about the evil it undertakes to remedy. The steps in many instances of free night roaming on the streets are clearly marked and inevitable. First amusement; second, mischief; third, crime.

A writer in the New York Observer says: New York, in its government, its climate and conveniences for living, its religious, educational and social advantages, its opportunities for varied exercise and amusement, has a fair place among the greatest and the best. It has one of the finest situations in the world, and sanitary opportunities which are unrivalled. It has an abundant water supply, and every effort has been made by its rulers to keep this supply commensurate with the rapid growth of the city. In no large city of Europe is life as safe for the simple and unwary as it is here. No young woman could walk in the streets of Paris with the absolute security against insult which is almost guaranteed in New York. It is customary to abuse and denounce the public means of conveyance in New York, and certainly there is much room for improvement, but who that has waited an hour for his turn at an omnibus station in London or Paris, or been packed with a crowd of sausage eaters and rank tobacco smokers in a little horse car in Vienna, or tested the vileness of a Naples cab, does not judge with leniency the much criticised "elevated" and crowded "cable" of Gotham? I used to criticise the docks and streets, when I returned from frequent excursions to the old world, but I do so no more. Both are improved, and when the present temporary disturbances are over, New York will have more miles of well paved streets than any city in the world. The abuses from which we suffer are those which are common to mankind. We have no monopoly of corrupt politicians, and plotting leaders, and dishonest contractors, and bribe taking officials. Those who read contemporaneous history in English and French and German papers, or who even pay attention to the foreign items which are collected in our own journals, do not need to be told that politics is much alike the world over, and that a French legislator and an English cabinet officer, and a Spanish general—not to say anything of Germans or Russians are not so immaculate as to throw any stain upon American office-holders with comparative success.

THE NEWS IN ALABAMA

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE MOBILE CONVENTION ASKING NATIONAL AID IN QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

Coal Production of the State for 1897—Goodwyn-Brewer Contested Election Case—E. & W. Bondholders Lose—Other Interesting Items.

THE QUARANTINE CONVENTION

Adopts Resolutions Asking Congress to Aid in Regulating Quarantine Affairs.

The quarantine convention, which was in session at Mobile the past week, adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention:

"1. That congress be required to provide for a department of public health as soon as possible.

"2 That it is the sense of this convention that congress should enact laws to provide for an efficient maritime quarantine to be uniform and impartial in its application to the different commercial ports of this country, so as to give to no one or more of them undue commercial advantage over the others, and to be enforced by the several state and municipal quarantine or health boards if they will undertake to do so, leaving to the states the power to prescribe and enforce additional reasonable safeguards of the health of their communities, provided that such state action shall not unreasonably obstruct commerce.

"3. That congress should aid the several states in establishing and maintaining uniform, reasonable and efficient quarantine lines, affecting but not regulating interstate commerce, leaving to each state adequate power to protect as it shall deem best the lives and health of its people.

"4. That congress should leave exclusively to the states the regulation of their purely internal commerce and the provision of such quarantine and sanitary laws and regulations as they may deem advisable to that end.

"5. That in the framing of quarantine laws and regulations and their enforcement congress should avail itself of the learning, experience and ability of the medical profession in the fullest manner possible, and especially by way of an advisory council."

BONDHOLDERS LOSE.

Kelly Estate in Control of the East & West Railroad.

Judge Dowdell of the chancery court at Ashville Friday rendered a decree in the case of W. C. Browning and other bondholders of the East & West Alabama railroad against the estate of the late Eugene Kelly, of New York, declaring that $625,000 of receiver's certificates bought by Kelly are prior to all other claims against the property. He also decided that Browning and others, who claim that Kelly entered into an agreement unless they paid to the Kelly estate the value of the receiver's certificates and other advances, amounting to about $1,000,000. The decision, in effect, if sustained by the supreme court, places the Kelly estate in absolute control of the road.

Goodwyn-Brewer Case.

The contested election case of Goodwyn vs. Brewer, from the Fifth Alabama district, was argued before the house committe on elections No. 1 Saturday. Mr. Goodwyn contested the seat held by Judge Cobb in the last house and was given the seat. Mr. Goodwyn was represented in the committee by Gen. W. W. Dudley, of Indiana, and Mr. Vaughan, of Alabama, and Mr. Brewer by A. D. Pitts and G. H. Patrick. Cobb's plurality on the face of the returns was 700; Brewer's almost 6,000. As in the Aldrich-Plowman contest, the principal allegation of fraud is made against the returns from the county (Lowndes in this case) where there is a large excess of colored population over white. The census shows that the population of Lowndes county consisted of 4,563 whites and 6,985 colored persons. The official returns from this county gave Brewer, democrat, 3,407, and Goodwyn, republican, 272.

Value of Diversified Crops.

Henry Stumpe, a German farmer of the St. Florian neighborhood, in Colbert county, has the past year demonstrated that it is not necessary to plant cotton to make a living. He states that last year he made an average of $110 per acre on his farm, planting potatoes, onions, etc., and not a stalk of cotton.

Tour of Inspection.

Adjutant General Ligon announced that at an early date officers will be detailed to inspect each and every military company in Alabama. Lieutenant Sam Jones and Colonel Barber, the staff inspector general, will make the tour.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A new hotel and bank will be erected at Centerville.

Mamie Wade, a negro woman, shot herself to death at Avondale.

A big grain elevator and flour mill will be erected at Tuskaloosa.

John H. Hooper, one of the most prominent men of Dallas county, died Friday.

Birmingham's cotton receipts since the first of last September have been 101,073 bales.

The supreme court adjourned for the term Friday. The court will meet again on the first Monday in April.

W. J. Siddall, who was shot on the streets of Opelika a few days since, died from the effects of the wounds.

The senate in executive session Friday recommitted the nomination of Dallas B. Smith to be postmaster at Opelika.

Hon. W. F. Fontaine, of Arlington, Wilcox county, died last week. He represented Wilcox county in the legislature of 1892–3.

Florence is now on a firm financial basis. The collections of January exceeded the collections of January of last year by $2,000.

The city council of Dothan has decreed that no hog, cow or other live stock shall be allowed to run at large in the streets of that city.

The work of track laying on the extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad from Columbus, Miss., to Montgomery, will be completed within two weeks.

Congressman O. W. Underwood has announced his candidacy for re-election to the house of representatives from the Ninth district. He is for the Chicago platform.

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times, has accepted an invitation of the Commercial Club of Birmingham to be their guest at an early date.

Mrs. Florence Forbes, state superintendent of the railroad department of the W. C. T. U., has published an appeal to the members of the state to preach a special temperance sermon to railroad men on the first Sunday in March.

There are now 242 horses wintering at the race track at Selma and the expense of keeping them is about $12,000 per month, all of which is spent in Selma. Next year many more stables will be built, and an effort will be made to have at least 500 horses winter in Selma.

The Woman's Alabama Press Association met in Montgomery Friday for organization. Mrs. George C. Ball, of the Birmingham Age-Herald, was made president; Mrs. H. C. Hildreth, of the Decatur News, vice-president; Mrs. Dr. J. D. S. Davis, of Birmingham, secretary and treasurer; Miss Claudia Hood, of the Montgomery Journal corresponding secretary.

The following recent hog killings are noted in and near Alexander City: George McWhorter, one, weight 556; W. M. Jackson, two, weight 478 and 381; John Coley, three, weight 456, 432 and 326; W. L. Thomas, one, weight 440; Ed Rush, one, weight 416; W. B. Peterns, one, weight 365; R. M. Templeton, one, weight, 334; E. P. Duncan, two, weight 350 and 336; Joe Knight, two, weight 336 and 323; Jim Seats, one, weight 276, ten months old.

Alabama Coal Production.

J. D. Hillhouse, chief mine inspector, Saturday gave out the final figures on Alabama coal production in 1897. The total is 5,868,271 tons, the largest in the state's history, and 122,654 tons greater than last year. The total number of men employed was 11,091. The total coke production was 1,395,252 tons, as compared to 1,689,307 tons for 1896, thus showing a falling off. He places the total number of coke ovens in blast last year at 4,662.

Saved by a Miracle.

A wreck occurred on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad, near Ensley City, in which Engineer J. T. Loveless and Fireman Dave Ingram were seriously injured. That five men, the entire crew, were not killed is a miracle, for an engine and caboose left the track while running at the rate of twenty miles an hour and the engine turned completely over down a little fill. There were three men on the engine, and with the exception of the engineer, who had two ribs broken, a slight fracture of the skull and a badly sprained leg, no injuries that could possibly result fatally were received.

FIGHTING IN GUATEMALA.

Strife and Bloodshed Has Followed the Assassination of Barrios.

A special from San Jose de Guatemala says civil strife and bloodshed have followed the killing of Barrios. Before the body of the late ruler had found sepulchre the factions were flying at each other's throats, and as a result General Marroquin, the chief supporter of Prospero Morales, one of the aspirants to the presidency, is dead, and his forces are seeking safety in flight.

Thursday night General Marroquin attempted to seize the reins of government in behalf of Morales. He made an attack in force on the palace barracks. The assault was vigorously resisted, and in the fighting General Marroquin and a few others were killed. Seeing that their efforts would not prove successful, the attacking forces, consisting of 2,000 men, headed by General Majera and Colonel Arrevalo, fled from the city.

General Toledo, who has been appointed minister of war by Manuel Gabrera, the president pro tem. of the republic, ordered the artillery in pursuit of the fleeing revolutionists.

The populace and soldiers are now demanding that General Mendoza be proclaimed president. The situation is becoming more alarming and the crisis is acute.

President Barrios' cabinet resigned Friday.

A BARON SUICIDES.

The Famous Prince of Trinidad Takes His Own Life.

Baron Harden Hickey, better known as the Prince of Trinidad, committed suicide by taking morphine at the Pierson hotel in El Paso, Tex. He left a letter addressed to his wife at Corona, Cal., in which he stated that he was going to die. Deceased was married to a daughter of John H. Flagler, of New York, the Standard Oil magnate, in 1891. Baron Hickey attained notoriety some time ago when he took possession of Trinidad Island and proclaimed himself military dictator.

Baron Harden Hickey was the first of the royal dynasty of Trinidad. He was born in San Francisco on December 8, 1854, of a Catholic and old royalist family. His ancestors, the Hickeys, originally came from Ireland, having accompanied the banished royal Stuarts of England in their flight to France.

PLEASED WITH FLORIDA.

Secretary Wilson Has Made a Tour of the State.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has completed a comprehensive tour of Florida, He visited orange groves, winter truck gardens, the sugar plantations of the Kissimmee valley on rich lands reclaimed by the Disston Company, the pineapple plantations of the east coast and tobacco plantations of many sections of the state. He was greatly impressed and astonished with the quality of leaf grown in Florida and of the development of the industry since the war in Cuba has limited the exports from that country; also of Florida's possibilities as a sugar producing state.

At Lake City he was presented with one hundred cigars made of '97 Florida tobacco, the box to be opened at the next cabinet meeting that he attends.

FIVE KILLED

In a Head End Collision on the L. & N. Near Brewton, Ala.

A terrible head end collision between freight trains occurred seven miles north of Brewton, Ala., at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning. Both engineers, Davidson and Ussery, a colored fireman, a negro railroad laborer and a white tramp were killed. Two white brakemen, a colored fireman and a tramp were injured seriously.

A disregard of orders by Engineer Davidson to meet the other train at Kirkland was the cause. The collision was on a straight stretch, but a dense fog prevented the enginemen from seeing the danger in time to save themselves.

Beyond a Million.

Savannah's cotton receipts reached the million mark Friday and went beyond. Friday's receipts of 3,190 bales carried the total to 1,000,025 bales. This is the earliest date in the season at which Savannah's receipts have gone to 1,000,000 bales.

The Thief Discovered.

The letter which encompassed DeLome's downfall was stolen by Manuel Zerafin Richardo, son-in-law of Senor Arturo Amblard, deputy of the cortes in Cuba. Richardo is the close business associate of Canalejas, the editor of El Heraldo, of Madrid, to whom the letter was addressed and delivered, and is the Havana correspondent of that newspaper.

The democrats made heavy gains in the municipal elections in New York State. In seventeen counties the democrats made gains in thirty-three towns and the republicans in only one. Oleon elected its first democratic mayor.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Happenings of General Interest Fresh From the Wires.

GEORGIA'S SECRETARY OF STATE RESIGNS.

Ensign Breckenridge Washed Overboard and Drowned—Italian Warship Ordered to Hayti—No Apology to be Asked of Spain.

A canning factory will be built at McMinnville, Tenn.

W. L. Trent has been appointed postmaster of Knoxville, Tenn.

Judge John M. Taylor, of Lexington, has announced his candidacy for governor of Tennessee.

McKisson, the defeated senatorial candidate in Ohio, will contest the election of Mark Hanna.

Levi P. Morton's seven story office building in New York was destroyed by fire. Loss $500,000.

Edwin S. Cunningham, of Tennessee, has been appointed by the president to be consul at Aden, Arabia.

President McKinley will not demund an apology from Spain, as he is satisfied with De Lome's departure.

Italian warships have been ordered to Hayti to enforce pending claims of the Italian government to the amount of $120,000.

Ensign J. R. Breckenridge was washed overboard from the torpedo boat Cushing, now in Havana harbor, and was drowned.

Hon. Allen D. Candler, of Georgia, has tendered his resignation to the governor as secretary of state, to make the race for governor.

The corner stone of the Coleman Cotton mill, ot Concord, N. C., was laid Friday. It is the only mill in the world owned and operated by negro labor.

J. Hadley Clack who has been chief of police of Nashville for many years was defeated by the new police board and Robert Sidebottom elected in his place.

A proposition is before the Louisiana Constitutional convention to pension ex-Confederates, which will probably become a part of the new constitution.

After celebrating his 56th birthday. George Hartman, living near Louisville, Ky., became suddenly despondent and plunged into a cistern, and was drowned.

[illegible] American [illegible], Captain Stenger, from Rotterdam for New York. The passengers and crew of the Veendam were saved by the St. Louis.

The Goebel election law passed the Kentucky senate Thursday and will be rushed through the house. The governor will veto it and then it will be passed over his head. The law is such as to keep the republicans from carrying the elections in that the franchise will be regulated to the interest of the democrats.

The Spanish government has requested the Clyde Bank Ship Building Company to push Spanish work. The company has dispatched to Spain a high-speed torpedo cruiser, fully manned by Spaniards. In addition, two torpedo boat destroyers are being completed for Spain, the crews for which have arrived at Glasgow.

CHAPTER XIV.—Continued.

"I will suppose that John Oakburn really saved the money his daughter supposed he did, and that it was in his small, private safe. Kredge, knowing about this money, might have opened the safe, taken the money, relocked the 'strong box,' and returned the key to Oakburn's pocket. Or, it is possible that he may have privately provided himself with a duplicate. Though the safe was not found open it does not follow that it was not robbed. I was very near committing an oversight in neglecting this point in the case," thought Paxton.

Paxton shadowed Kredge back to the city.

The detective next instituted an investigation which elicited the information that Donald Wayburn, the author of the threatening letter found among John Oakburn's correspondence, was a young man who had been obliged to flee from New York on account of having been the promoter of a gigantic swindle, which had resulted in the financial ruin of a large number of people.

Some of his information the detective received from Jason Garrison, who remarked in the course of the conversation:

"Yes, Wayburn was a scoundrel. My old cashier, John Oakburn, could have told you more about him than I can, for he had several thousand dollars in the swindle of which that man was the head. Poor old John! He was never tired of denouncing Wayburn as a villain."

"Ha!" thought Paxton. "This information favors my theory that Wayburn may have been the assassin, with Kredge for a confederate. But stay! The name Pratt & Weeks gave the man who carried the skeleton keys was Garnar, and yet that does not prove that he is not really Wayburn. Garnar may be an alias."

Paxton continued his investigation relating to Wayburn, hoping to thereby arrive at a revelation of the truth regarding the secret of the supposed assassin's identity.

He did not succeed in establishing the fact which he had hoped to prove, that Wayburn had returned to New York and was in the city at the time of the murder.

This failure left his theory wanting in a most important link of presumptive evidence.

But Paxton thought:

"If Donald Wayburn returned to the city he would have the best possible reason for concealing the fact, since discovery would no doubt result in his arrest by the parties whom he swindled years ago. Even if he did return it is not surprising that I have been unable to establish the fact."

A day or two later one of Paxton's agents shadowed Judith Kredge to a savings bank, where she was seen to deposit money, and inquiry solicited the fact that the woman had opened an account there.

At Paxton's request an examination of the books was made, which resulted in the discovery that all the money to Judith Kredge's credit had been deposited since John Oakburn's murder.

This the detective regarded as significant.

The bank had received no marked money, however.

Prompted by a suspicion which he had all along entertained, Paxton visited the window at which Stanmore and himself had spied when the detective was shadowing Kredge.

Crouching at the kitchen window of Oakburn's apartment as before, he again saw Marion and Judith.

The curtains were drawn, but at the side of the window there was a narrow space which the curtain did not cover, through which he could command a view of the room.

Paxton witnessed a scene which served to further mystify and perplex him, and it also occasioned him the greatest surprise.

He saw Marion Oakburn count out a large sum of money and give it to Judith Kredge.

The detective was confident that the amount thus given to the woman by Marion could not have been less than five hundred dollars.

The recollection of the conversation which he had overheard between Judith Kredge and her brother Levi returned to Paxton's mind, freighted with startling significance.

"It is then from Marion Oakburn that Judith Kredge has received her money. But wherefore? If I can read the expression on Marion Oakburn's face aright, she is in deadly fear of Judith Kredge. Can it be that there is another mystery here?"

Paxton remained at the window until Marion and Judith withdrew.

He learned nothing further, for darkness closed upon the scene in the room where the money changed hands a few moments after the transfer was made.

The detective then returned to his office to examine a report made by one of his agents, which established the fact that all of Levi Kredge's time on the night of the murder had been accounted for except one hour—from one quarter or fifteen minutes after twelve to the same time after one o'clock.

We know that John Oakburn met his death between the hours of twelve and one o'clock.

Here was another item of presumptive evidence against Kredge.

Since the cunning agent of the detective had been able to trace Kredge for every moment of the night of the murder with unerring certitude, except for the one fatal hour of the murder, the detective inferred that Kredge must have surrounded his movements for that one hour with every precaution of secrecy.

Paxton could arrest Kredge at any time, but as yet he regarded such a course as premature.

CHAPTER XV.

The agent to whom Paxton had intrusted the task of ascertaining where Levi Kredge was on the night of the murder, and at the hour when the crime was committed, had neglected one proceeding which his principal had advised. He had failed to search the janitor's room.

Paxton resolved to visit this apartment in person.

The next evening the detective repaired to his boarding place.

The landlady admitted him, and he said:

"I called to see Mr. Kredge."

"He is not at home, sir," replied the landlady.

"In that case I will wait, if you please. I have an engagement with Levi. He asked me to run up to his room and make myself at home in case I arrived before he returned."

"Very well. The second door on the right at the head of the stairs."

Paxton ascended to Levi Kredge's room, entered and closed and secured the door.

The janitor's room was a small sleeping apartment, with a closet opening from it.

Besides the usual furniture, the room contained Kedge's trunk. It was locked, but Paxton opened it by means of a skeleton key, and searched it. He discovered nothing to reward his quest.

Then he ransacked all the drawers, and still he made no discovery.

Completing the search of the sleeping-room, he entered the closet.

Presently Paxton emerged from the closet with a small canvas bag, such as gold coin is packed in at the mint, in his hand.

"I thought some discovery might be made here," said the detective to himself, in a tone of satisfaction, as he placed the small canvas bag in his pocket.

Then he ran down stairs.

The landlady met him in the hall.

"Are you going, sir?" she asked.

"Yes, I'll run round and see Levi at the office."

Paxton was well satisfied.

He had made something of a discovery, he fancied, but regarding it he maintained the most profound secrecy.

At the time when Paxton undertook the solution of the mystery of John Oakburn's murder, he was engaged in another investigation which related to certain affairs which do not interest us.

Some business pertaining to the matter induced Paxton to make a visit to a certain obscure East Side street, where the dangerous undercurrent of the great city's human tide was ever to be dreaded, one night soon after the occurrence last recorded.

The detective was elaborately disguised, for he was too well known to the criminal classes, and he had too many enemies among them to think of venturing among them in his own proper personality.

As he traversed the dimly lighted way, Paxton noticed a female form flitting along before him, and he fancied there was something familiar about the woman's appearance.

In a moment or so he was at the woman's side, and as she passed beneath a street lamp at a corner the night wind lifted a veil which she wore, and he caught a glimpse of her face and recognized it.

The woman was Marion Oakburn.

Of course Paxton was surprised at finding Marion alone at night in such a dangerous locality.

But his curiosity and his detective instinct prompted him to follow her.

A few blocks further down the street, the detective saw Marion pause before the door of a gloomy building.

The cashier's daughter glanced about as though she expected to meet some one, but she did not discover the detective, who had promptly stepped back into the alley.

A moment elapsed, and, peering from his hiding place, the detective's espionage was rewarded by the appearance of a man who came skulking stealthily along the street as though fearful of discovery, and joined Marion at the door.

The girl gave the man both her hands and seemed to greet him warmly.

The detective was so near that, as the man presently raised his voice a trifle, he heard him say:

"Come, let us enter the parlor. I have much to say to you."

Then they opened the door and disappeared within the house.

Paxton remained where he was.

He did not follow Marion and her companion into the house, for, as it was not an ordinary public resort, he deemed it advisable to proceed with caution.

A moment or so elapsed, and then the detective saw a faint light reflected through the opening between the blinds of a couple of windows in the side of the building fronting the alley.

He glided to the nearest window, thinking it might be the window to the little back parlor mentioned by the man who had met Marion Oakburn.

Paxton hoped to see and hear more of the parties who had just entered the house, but as he reached the window heavy inside curtains were drawn, and he was unable to see anything, neither could he hear a word.

There was no help for it, and so the detective waited patiently in the alley for Marion and her companion to reappear on the street.

At the expiration of half an hour, perhaps, the door through which the subject of Paxton's surveillance had entered opened, and they came out.

A brightly burning gas-jet in the hall, which must have been lighted since they entered the place, reflected a brilliant light upon the couple as they stood for a moment in the open door addressing some remarks to a person within.

For two minutes Paxton scrutinized the face of Marion's companion under the glare of the gas light.

He saw that the man was in disguise.

The next instant Paxton believed that he had made a great discovery.

He saw a scar on the man's eyebrow, and from this as well as his general appearance, which corresponded with the general description given by Stuart Harland, the detective believed that Marion's companion was the suspected assassin of her father—the man called "Garnar" by Pratt & Weeks, who carried the skeleton keys and wax impressions in his overcoat pocket.

Marion and her companion walked away, but at a neighboring corner they parted.

But Paxton did not mean that the man who had thus far evaded discovery and whom the most skillful of his agents had failed to "locate" should escape now.

He bounded forward and seized his man.

But, like a flash, the other wheeled and dealt the detective a blow that staggered him.

Then the stranger darted away and vanished in a passage between two buildings.

Paxton pursued, but he did not overtake or even sight him.

Enraged with himself at his want of caution in attempting the arrest, and fully satisfied that he had a desperate man to deal with, Paxton retraced his steps.

All thought of the business which had brought him to that locality was, for the time, banished from his mind, and he hastened in the direction of Jason Garrison's office, hoping to intercept Marion Oakburn.

Meanwhile, after parting with her mysterious companion, Marion hurried homeward.

She had reached the door and was about to enter her home when Paxton overtook her. The detective had resolved upon a bold and determined course, and, gliding forward, he placed his hand on Marion's arm.

The girl turned with a frightened exclamation, and by reason of his disguise, she did not recognize Paxton.

"Who are you, sir?" demanded Marion, as she indignantly confronted the detective.

"I am your friend, Miss Oakburn, and I am seeking to discover your father's assassin. Tell me who the man was whom you met to-night, and who escaped me?"

Marion leaned against the door and her form trembled with agitation, but she did not speak.

"Will you not answer me?" persisted Paxton.

Still Marion was silent.

Paxton became impatient.

"I will tell you who the man you met is. He is Donald Wayburn!" he cried, suddenly. "I am Gerald Paxton," he added.

He sought to surprise Marion into some confirmation of his statement, if it was the truth.

"I believe that man is your father's murderer. Miss Oakburn, I warn you that the time has come when you should explain the cause of your mysterious conduct since your father's death. You are venturing into peril, it may be. Will you not save yourself! Will you not trust me?" the detective continued, as Marion made no sign in confirmation of his statement that her recent companion's name was Donald Wayburn.

"What is there in my conduct that you regard as mysterious?" said Marion at last.

"This night meeting. Your having given your inheritance to Judith Kredge. Your positive declaration that Harland is an innocent man," replied Paxton.

"You wrong me cruelly. I can explain nothing; but, by my dead father's memory, I swear that Donald Wayburn has no knowledge of my father's murder. He is innocent!"

With these words she unlocked the door and entered the house.

"Now, indeed, is my cup of misery filled to the brim. Too late I discover that I have made a fatal mistake, but I cannot determine to abandon my purpose yet," thought Marion, as she crept to her room.

Paxton made no attempt to detain Marion, and as the evening was not far advanced and he had concluded to abandon the business which had taken him out that night, for the present, he proceeded to visit certain shops devoted to the sale of curiosities in the way of ancient coins, weapons, and the like. In every shop he exhibited the bullet which had caused John Oakburn's death, and asked if they ever had a pistol which the ball would fit.

In every instance the detective received a negative answer, until at last he entered a little shop whose proprietor informed the detective that he had sold an ancient air pistol provided with such bullets as the one Paxton exhibited.

"Can you tell me the purchaser's name?" asked Paxton, thinking a positive clue to the solution of the mystery was found at last.

"I keep a memorandum of purchasers names and addresses when, instead of taking the goods with them at the time of the sale, they order them to be sent home. I believe I wrote the name of the man who bought the air pistol in my book. Yes, here it is," answered the shopkeeper.

"Read it?" cried Paxton breathlessly.

There was a surprise in store for him he little dreamed of.

CHAPTER XVI.

The proprietor of the curiosity shop did not share the detective's excitement, and he very deliberately read the following memorandum from his order book:

May 8th, 18—,
John Oakburn, No— Wall Street, City,
One ancient air pistol $8.
To be delivered to-day.

The name of the murdered man was the very last one the detective anticipated hearing announced as that of the purchaser of the air pistol, and he was completely surprised.

Paxton had entertained the hope that the fatal bullet which had occasioned the death of John Oakburn would serve as an important clue in tracing the unfortunate man's assassin.

From the first it had been the detective's purpose to trace the weapon of death to the assassin, by means of the bullet.

Now the purpose of the man-trailer was no longer possible to be executed and the hope which the possession of the death-missile had given him was destroyed.

"So John Oakburn was murdered with his own weapon. The assassin probably found the weapon in the office and used it to kill Oakburn, very possibly, with the intention of perplexing the investigator, should the weapon be traced," thought the detective.

He recalled to mind the fact that no one had mentioned having ever seen such a weapon as the air-pistol in the possession of John Oakburn, and as a new idea entered his mind he cried:

"I have it! The strange weapon with which Oakburn was murdered formed one of his collection of curious, ancient weapons.

"The assassin had opened the old cashier's little safe, robbed it, and secured the air-pistol when he heard Oakburn coming. The wretch had discovered that the pistol was loaded and ready for use. He used it to kill his victim because it made no sound."

Paxton was satisfied with this theory.

On this very evening, while Paxton was visiting the curiosity shop, Levi Kredge was on his way to visit his sister.

The treacherous scoundrel had taken the alarm, and he was thoroughly on his guard.

From the evening when Paxton had shadowed him to the office of Pratt & Weeks, Levi Kredge had experienced the keenest anxiety for his personal safety.

"They are on my trail! Do they suspect the truth?" he asked himself over and over again.

For the present he did not visit Pratt & Weeks, for the wily brokers had instructed him not to do so.

Levi Kredge met his sister in the rear of Garrison's office by appointment, and the moment Judith saw his face she knew that he was troubled.

"What is it Levi; you look frightened?" said Judith.

"I am frightened, Judith; the detectives are shadowing me day and night."

"Is that a fact!" cried Judith, starting.

"Yes. They surely have some suspicion against me."

"What do you fear?"

"You know well enough, I fear I shall be charged with John Oakburn's murder."

"That should not alarm you. You didn't kill the old man."

"No, that's a fact. But there are circumstances against me, Judith, of which you do not know."

"Ah, you have secrets from your affectionate sister, eh?"

"I tell you I fear I shall yet be placed in peril of my life, on account of John Oakburn's murder."

"If it comes to that, I'll save you. I'll point out the real assassin, and prove that person's guilt."

After this, they conversed at some length, but they discussed personal affairs, of no interest to our readers.

Paxton's faithful auxiliary, whose duty it was to track Kredge, overheard this conversation, for he had not neglected to track the janitor on this occasion.

The detective agent repeated what he had overheard of the conversation just recorded to his principal.

This intelligence seemed, at the first view, to overthrow the detective's theory of the guilt of Kredge. But Paxton was not yet ready to admit that Kredge was not the assassin or his accomplice, and he thought:

"Kredge may have been concerned in the crime, and Judith be ignorant of the fact."

One point, however, seemed established. Judith Kredge was sincere in believing she could produce enough to procure the conviction of some one, who was not Stuart Harland.

The perplexing complications and mysteries with which the case abounded would have confused a non-professional, but Paxton saw his way clear. His next step was indicated by the intelligence he had just received.

Judith Kredge must be compelled to reveal the knowledge of the crime which she was concealing.

To accomplish this, Paxton resolved to arrest Levi Kredge and charge him with John Oakburn's murder.

He meant to thoroughly frighten Kredge, and lead them to believe that the danger of conviction, as Oakburn's assassin, was imminent, and he counted on Judith keeping her promise and revealing what she claimed to know, thinking only by such a course could Levi be saved.

But meanwhile, during the time occupied by Paxton in making the investigations recorded, the Grand Jury had held a session. Stuart Harland's case had been considered, and a true bill was returned against him.

Stuart Harland had endured his imprisonment bravely.

Edna Garrison was an almost constant visitor to his cell, and the imperilled young man was cheered and sustained by her unfailing devotion.

Harland's attorney was a shrewd and successful criminal lawyer, and when Stuart had positively answered him that the real truth regarding the motive for his visit to Albany on the night of the crime could not be told under any circumstances, he said:

"I will not question your motive, but we must invent some plausible defense or you are lost."

"What, resort to falsehood?" demanded Stuart.

"A story must be told to account for your midnight journey. Listen to me. I have made a study of the case, and here is what you must say when you are brought to trial.

"Your aunt, whose prospective heir you are said to be, resides in Albany. Very good. You made your midnight journey to visit her.

"Some one had informed you that the first train in the morning would take Weeks to Albany to see your aunt, to whom he meant to reveal that you had become involved in stock gambling, to the extent of ten thousand dollars.

"You had obtained a sight of your note for one thousand dollars, which you had given the scoundrel, and when you saw it had been raised to ten, you knew Pratt and Weeks meant to swindle your aunt.

"You secretly took the midnight train in order to see your aunt and explain matters before Weeks came.

"You did not tell the truth at the Coroner's inquest, because to do so would have been to lead to the betrayal of the person who had warned you of Weeks' intention of visiting Albany, on the morning following the night of the murder. That person was a young clerk, John Sand by name, employed by Pratt & Weeks, and the sole support of a widowed mother and invalid sister.

"You knew that if it came out that he had warned you, he would be discharged by Pratt & Weeks. In that event, you thought the helpless ones dependent upon his salary for support might suffer. This consideration prevented your risking the betrayal of your friend by telling the truth. Besides you will add that you did not at the time of your examination fully realize how great your peril was."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

DR. WILDER has made an interesting note relative to prairie dogs. They seem to lack any sense of height or distance, owing, it is thought, to the nature of their ordinary surroundings—a flat, level plain, destitute of pitfalls of any kind. Several dogs, experimented with, walked over the edges of tables, chairs and other pieces of furniture, and seemed to be greatly surprised when their adventure ended in a fall to the ground. One dog fell from a window-sill twenty feet above a granite pavement.

DRY ropes immersed for four days in a bath containing twenty grains of sulphite of copper to a quart of water are for some time preserved from the attacks of animal parasites and rot.

JOHN W. TOMLINSON

Feels the Political Pulse at the Nation's Capitol.

Hon. John W. Tomlinson, of Birmingham, has returned from a brief visit to Washington. He was there during the stirring fight in the senate over the Teller resolution and was a guest at the annual banquet of the Grid Iron club Saturday night at the Arlington. Mr. Tomlinson stated to a reporter that he had a lengthy conversation with Chairman Jones, and he said that "systematic work was being quietly but effectively done all over the country in preparation for the great contest in 1900. He declared there must be no wavering in Alabama or any other state, and to prevent this the people should be very careful and select the right men to go to the county conventions and state conventions, and see that the executive committees are made up of the right material.

"What is the sentiment regarding Mr. Bryan?" and before continuing Mr. Tomlinson repeated the question. "The concluding paragraph in an editorial of the Washington Post Sunday expresses the almost universal opinion in Washington, when it says: 'Mr. Bryan is the acknowledged leader of his party, and is daily becoming more securely entrenched in the confidence and affections of the democratic masses.'"

Tamping Done by Air.

A force of 200,000 men is required to keep the beds of the railroads in order, and the expense of the work is $70,000,000 a year. But an inventor has come forward who propose to do the work with compressed air, and promises greater expedition and a saving of more than $10,000,000 annually. The machine consists of a Root blower driven at the rate of perhaps 800 revolutions a minute. It is set on top of one rail, and has two small wheels on which it can be trundled along the rail like a wheelbarrow. When it is to be used a lever clips it fast to the rail. Attached to it is a hose twelve feet long, ending in a metal feeder for the broken stone, which has a hopper at the top, where the stone or other suitable ballasting material is shoveled in, and a bent end at the bottom, which is put under the ties to direct the stream of filling. In using it none of the ballast between the ties need be removed. A shovelful is removed at one end of the raised tie until the bent end of the hopper tube can be poked under, and then the filling material is blown in and packed tight by the machine.

Georgia Farmer Found Dead.

Bob Keith, aged about forty years, who resides at Dunns, Ga., was found dead near Cohutta Springs with his skull crushed. Several men with him the night previous, who say that he came to his death by being thrown from his horse, but others think it was foul play and that he was brutally murdered. Mr. Keith was a well-to-do farmer, and leaves a wife and eight small children.

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The "Maine" topic of the day is what has just happened at Havana.

The Democratic State Convention is called to meet at Montgomery on the 20th of April.

The removal of the court house from Jacksonville to Anniston will be made an issue in the election in Calhoun county this year.

A Danville, Ill., jury recently ordered the male defendant in a breach of promise case to pay the afflicted fair one the neat little sum of $54.333 33. Pretty good price for a broken heart.

The State Democratic Executive Committee met at Montgomery Tuesday for the purpose of fixing the time and place for holding the State convention, and determining the qualification of voters in the primaries.

The young men of Atlanta, Ga., have formed a club barring kissing in public. A fine of $10 is imposed upon every member who kisses a girl in public, and a remittance of 25 per cent. allowed if a transgression in private can be proven.

If, perchance, we all don't go to war against Spain, Montevallo will soon have a main street fronted only by handsome brick business houses. H. C. & W. B. Reynolds will soon have the walls of their new drug store above the foundation.

A terrible explosion occurred in Havana harbor Tuesday night at 9.45 o'clock. The United States cruiser Maine was blown to atoms and 100 soldiers were killed. A number of the surviving sailors are outspoken in their declaration of belief that the explosion was a deep-laid scheme of the Spaniards.

Nowhere between Montgomery and Birmingham is there a town with the hotel accommodations that Montevallo has. While we only have one regular hotel, it is newly and handsomely equipped with the latest designs, and has an ample corps of servants. Nothing can be said that will add to the laurels already won by the proprietor of the "St. George"—Mr. Alex. A. Wall.

The steamship Clara Nevada, of Seattle, Wash., bound for Alaska, was wrecked and burned in Lynn canal, and forty men who were on board are supposed to have perished.

Aboard the Clara Nevada was a party of Birmingham boys, bound for the Klondike in the interest of the Birmingham Gold Mining Company. The party consisted of Joe Biddle, Jim Biddle, Charles J. Smith, John Neale and G. W. Stapleton, who left Birmingham only a few weeks ago for Seattle, where they embarked on the 5th inst. aboard the ill-fated steamer.

WORDS OF PRAISE

SPOKEN OF THE NEW NEWS BY AN OLD FRIEND OF THE EDITOR.

The last issue of the Columbiana Chronicle contained the following complimentary notice of the NEWS under its recent management. We have known the editor of the Chronicle for a number of years—being a schoolmate of his at Six Mile during our childhood days. We thank him for these words of praise:

"THE MONTEVALLO NEWS has passed into the editorial and business control of Mr. Burgess Little, the cashier of the Shelby County Bank. This is a new venture for Mr. Little, but he promises well for the future of his paper. Montevallo is a growing town and deserves to be represented by a first class newspaper. A good paper is a benefit to any town; a poor one is an injury. The best way to have a good paper is to support it, giving the publisher encouragement to make it what it ought to be. With this kind of support we feel sure that Montevallo will have a successful representative in THE NEWS.

COTTON TAKING A BACK SEAT.

When a person takes upon himself the trouble to canvass a portion of this county, he will find that the progressive farmer is already discarding the fleecy staple except as a side line. Wheat, oats and hay are to be the principal leaders this year, and the farmers of this county will come out ahead next fall and ride home in a new wagon, wrapped in a new overcoat. The South holds out a great deal more to farmers than to any other class of people. When our farmers shall succeed in living at home, it will bring the dawn of the long looked for prosperity. Let us not inflict our minds this year by trying to keep up with things political, which is but the blighting frost of a "winter of discontent."

In the near future we will give our readers a bit of information regarding our most enterprising farmers who have made the greatest progress in experimental farming.

THE L. & N. MUST COME BY MONTEVALLO.

A number of the representative citizens of Montevallo informed a NEWS man this week that $20,000 could be raised here to induce the L. & N. to extend its Mineral branch from Calera to Gurnee Junction. When you take into consideration what this place has already done towards helping public enterprises, this move will be credited as "no merry jest." Every man in this community is ready and willing to assist in the movement. Already a lengthy correspondence has been carried on between one of our citizens and the L. & N. officials.

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LOCAL.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. CROWE.

J. B. Randall was in town last Saturday.

The editor made a business trip to Selma Tuesday evening.

Several of our towns folk are going to Mardi Gras Monday.

Miss Florrie Bryan is on a visit to friends and relatives in Birmingham.

Our popular art teacher, Miss Ella McCombs, has removed to the Dormitory.

Messrs. W. W. and E. Perry, of Blocton, were visitors to our town last week.

Dr. E. G. Givhan is attending the good roads convention at Anniston this week.

W. D. McCord, of Birmingham, spent last Sunday with Mr. George Kroell's family.

Mr. James Hayes, of Birmingham, visited Mr. John Bryan's family the first of the week.

C. C. Vandegrift is having his store house repainted, which greatly adds to the looks of it.

"Uncle" John Pynor, the venerable shoemaker, spent Sunday last with his family at Stanton.

C. W. Cary will soon begin the erection of a handsome two story residence on Church street.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

Clifton Newton attended the good roads convention at Anniston on the 15th. He was one of the delegates from our county.

Rev. Sam Steele, of Nashville, has consented to be here on April 2nd in his famous lecture, "Home Life in Dixie during the war."

John Draper, of Oxford, arrived in Montevallo Sunday evening. He is working with Banks Bros., on Reynolds' new building.

George Kroell aspires to be a warrior. If needed to quell the Spaniards, he is ready to organize the "Shelby County Tigers."

Rev. M. P. Reynolds was unable to fill his pulpit Sunday night, and the same was supplied by Rev.—— Thornton, of this vicinity.

The friends of Mrs. S. B. Horn will be glad to hear of her recovery from her recent injuries caused by falling down a flight of stairs.

C. G. Smith, of Brierfield, was in town yesterday. He told us he had the misfortune of losing his fine bird dog that morning by being run over by a train.

Milk for Sale.

Sweet milk, 10 cents per quart, butter milk, 10 cents per gallon, at MRS D. W. SHIVERS'.

S J. Morgan and wife, of Blocton, visited friends and relatives in our town last week. They went from here to Birmingham, where they will remain until after Mardi Gras.

A lawn tennis court is soon to be added to the amusement of the school Some young (single) man wanted the tutorship of this art, but we fail just here to call his name to mind.

One of our most progressive and wealthy planters, Mr. Samuel A. Curry, is putting a large portion of his plantation in wheat and oats. His example should be followed and results would be marvelous.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Price, of Avondale, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Kroell this week. They will be accompanied home by Miss Mary Kroell, who will visit friends and attend Mardi Gras.

Mr. H. A. McArdle, of Carbon Hill, visited his sister, Miss Margaret, last Friday. Much praise is due Mr. McArdle for the support given his sister, who will be among the few to graduate this session in the Normal course.

The progressive ladies of the Montevallo studioses propose giving quite a unique social in a few weeks. It will be a book social. It would be well to commence burning your trashy literature and hunt up something pure for the occasion.

Postmaster Crowe and his assistant, Cassie Faucher, were kept quite busy Monday distributing and delivering valentines. Nearly all of our citizens, including the school girls, were remembered. Clifton Newton was the recipient of a most beautiful (?) one.

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GREAT WAS THE CIRCUS.

Saturday Last Was "Small Boy's" Day.

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Vandemeer Bros., photographers, who have been in our town for the past six weeks, left this morning for Mobile, where they will remain until after Mardi Gras. From there they will go to Florida, where they expect to remain for some time. These gentlemen are first-class artists, and did some fine work while here. We regretted very much to see them leave, and will miss them, for they made our office their headquarters. They made many friends during their sojourn in our town who will join us in wishing them success wherever their lot may be cast.

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A RARE TREAT.

Miss Francis, the new teacher of elocution at the Industrial school, assisted by the music teachers, entertained our citizens and the pupils of the school on last Saturday evening in the chapel with readings and vocal and instrumental music. Quite a large crowd was out to hear Miss Francis, who has recently come to Montevallo. She charmed and delighted her hearers by her selections, two of which we will briefly mention: Longfellow's "Leap of Ronshaw Bey," followed by "Maiden and Weathercock," the strong dramatic action and rich color of the one, in contrast with the brightness and delicacy of the other, was fine. The school is to be congratulated on securing such a prize as Miss Francis, and it is to be hoped that the State, through its board of trustees, will make sure of her, and thus afford the girls the best instruction in this, one of the most needed and useful of all the arts, as it is one of the most delightful. Those who attended the entertainment were well repaid, and will look forward for an early repetition of the occasion.

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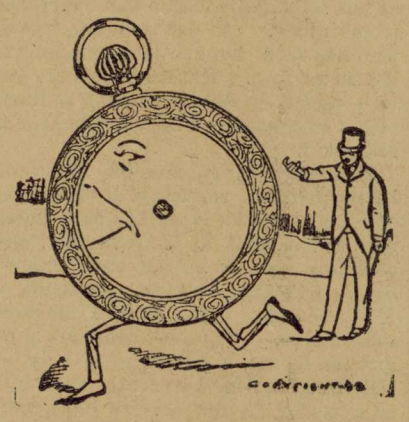

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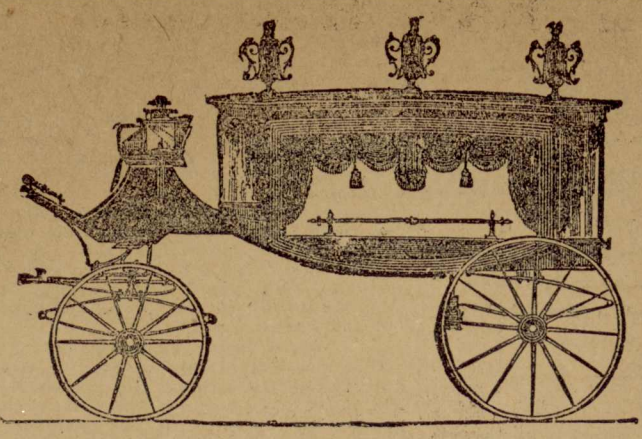

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HON. JOHN W. TOMLINSON,

State Chairman of the Democratic National Bimetallic Committee.

SPEAKS ON THE FINANCIAL QUESTION.

"The Flag So Gallantly Run up at Chicago in 1896 Must Not be Pulled Down or Lowered For One Moment," Says Mr. Tomlinson.

Livingston, Ala., Feb. 11.—The democratic silver conference held here today was a great success, every beat in the county being represented; and a large audience listened to a very able speech on the currency question by Hon. John W. Tomlinson, state chairman of the Democratic National Bimetallic committee.

The meeting was held at the court house, and was called to order by C. H. Allen, editor of the Sumter Sun. A silver club was organized and great enthusiasm was manifested throughout the meeting. L. R. McElroy, of Cuba, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we do now organize the 16 to 1 Democratic club of Sumter county, with L. P. Neal as president and C. H. Allen as secretary; with one vice-president for each beat in the county, to be appointed by the president of the club.

After Mr. Tomlinson's address Dr. M. B. Cameron, the only 16 to 1 straightout candidate for probate judge, made a short but effective speech, urging the necessity of standing by the Chicago platform.

On being made chairman, F. P. Neal introduced Mr. Tomlinson in a well worded speech, characterizing him as the uncompromising leader of the democracy of the state. For more than an hour and a half the gentleman entertained his hearers with a speech replete with logic and eloquence. At the conclusion he was loudly applauded and a vote of thanks was tendered him.

Mr. Tomlinson opened his speech by complimenting the democracy of the Black Belt. He said that men who had resisted black domination had the manhood to resist the domination of the enslaving gold standard. That never in the history of the great fight for silver's restoration were the prospects better for ultimate success.

After explaining the position of the different political parties on the question, he declared that the republicans were evasive and insincere, while the democrats by their aggressiveness for the coinage of gold and silver at 16 to 1 showed their sincerity.

Plans of the Parties

The speaker showed conclusively that the republican plan was to have only gold coinage supplemented with non-legal tender national bank currency to be issued or withdrawn at the will of the banker. That the plan further contemplated the non use as primary money of all the silver money now coined, which when carried out, as money measures property, would result in the reduction of all present prices and wages, uninfluenced by local conditions, at least one-half what they are now. Whereas the democratic party also recognizing the inadequacy of the gold supply for money purposes, proposes to supplement the deficiency by restoring the coinage laws of this country as they existed before 1873, which provided for the free and unlimited coinage of silver by this country at the existing legal ratio of 16 to 1; believing that money, the supply of which is regulated by Nature and not by man, is a fairer arbiter between debtor and creditor, and a more impartial medium of payment in the transaction of business of the world.

Reasons for 16 to 1

The reasons for adhering to the existing legal ratio of 16 to 1 are:

1. Because that is the natural ratio. The average production for centuries being, in weight, in that proportion; which is confirmed by the fact that the gold and silver coin of the world—the result of the coinage from the earliest times—Amounts to in round numbers the same, viz: $4,000,000,000 each. In the year 1896, the year of the great contest on the financial question, the world's production of gold and silver at the coinage value of 16 to 1, was exactly the same $215,000,000 each.

2. Because the bonded indebtedness of the United States was contracted payable in coin at the then present weight and fineness, which was gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; and to change the ratio, by enlarging the silver dollar, would be paying this debt beyond the legal and moral obligations involved.

3. Because the increasing of the ratio, by enlarging the silver dollar, would necessitate the recoining of all of the silver money in this country which, besides the expense thereof, would reduce the amount of silver dollars in exactly the same proportion that the ratio is increased, thereby producing contraction instead of expansion and defeating the very purpose of silver's restoration—more money.

4. Because it would put us farther away than ever from international agreement, as the European ratio is only 15½ to 1.

5. Because 16 to 1 is not only a principle but a programme on which the democratic, the populist and the silver republican parties are united, to abandon which would be to go from the strait road of fixed purpose to the open field of uncertainty and confusion that would likely result in the adoption of a larger ratio and, as we have shown, defeat the very purpose of the law—more money.

Gold Supply Inadequate

The speaker further contended: The coinage of gold alone is not keeping, and cannot keep pace with increasing population and business so as to afford an adequate supply of the circulating medium for the transactions of business. Republicans admit this by proposing to supplement with national bank currency. That as gold had become more valuable, the more it was sought after and consumed in the arts, little being left for money. That since 1873 the population of the United States had nearly doubled; that the coinage of gold had not kept pace. That as the volume of money measures the price of property, products and labor, if the supply of gold was as great as the increase in population and business, the coined silver remained as redemption money, prices would remain the same; that if not as great, and the silver coined no longer used as redemption money, then prices would decline.

Volume Money Regulates Prices

Quantitative theory is correct and is the key to the temple of all knowledge on the currency question. That it was axiomatic in monetary science, on which all writers on political economy agree from the days of Aristotle down, that the amount of money fixes the value of the money. That on the number of dollars out depends the value of the dollar. That cut in half the amount of dollars and you double the value of the remaining dollars, or double the number of dollars you cut in half the value of the dollar. That when you say the value of the dollar is doubled, you mean that it will buy twice as much of the products of human toil and of wages. That if the value of the dollar is worth one-half, that it will take only one-half the amount of the products of human toil and wages to get it.

Money Dearer, Prices Lower

That because of the dollar becoming dearer since the striking down of silver in 1873, prices have declined. That the French premier in a speech in the chamber of deputies recently explained that "with the same quantity of gold it is now possible to obtain a double quantity of products." That the general average of prices for a number of years, and not the price of one particular thing for one particular year, is valuable in establishing a general rule. That the index numbers of prices furnished by the Royal Statistical Society of London show general average of decline of more than 33 1-3 per cent. since 1873. That Prof. L. L. Price, of Oriel College, Oxford, says that in the light of converging lines of evidence it seems impossible to doubt the existence of a * * * connection between the recent fall of prices and the money changes of the last twenty years.

Bottom of Prices Not Reached

Mr. Tomlinson further showed from authors of unquestioned authority that the bottom of prices was not yet reached. That great economic changes are slow in taking effect.

He showed the condition of the agricultural laboring classes of England where children were put out at the tender years of 3½ to work under strange task-masters. But, he said, England had been on a gold basis since 1816, while this country had only been on a gold standard basis for less than a quarter of a century, and during part of that time with a limited coinage of silver.

He showed that the plan of the contractionists was not only to stop the coinage of silver but to do away with all of the silver now coined, which was one-half of the metallic money of the world; which, when accomplished, as money measures values, reduce the present values at least one-half where uninfluenced by local and other conditions; that the effect of this policy is being felt in the continuing fall in prices now, except in the manufactured products of the protected few.

Women and Children Must Work

That statistics show that 50 per cent. of the laboring people of this country now are unable to support the family without the wife and children working also, as got to be the case in England a good many years ago.

That domesticity is on the decrease, that there are fewer homes where "the love of country is born in the love of home."

To Debauch the Very Poor and to Use Them

He further showed that it is folly now to go in debt. That in the accomplishment of their purpose to do away with all silver money now in use, the extremely rich, as was the case on the decline of the Roman empire, are endeavoring to debauch the very poor, who must look, not to the future, but to their immediate necessities to satisfy the cries of hungry children. In this way it is attempted to debauch the very poor and to use them against the great middle classes who are to be defeated in this way.

Cato, the Wise, who made a visit to Carthage and beholding the insolence of the Carthagenians, on returning to Rome made a speech in which he said Romans must conquer the Carthagenians or the Carthagenians would conquer Rome; and after that in every speech he made he wound up with the same exhortation. We must conquer the gold standard or the gold standard will conquer us. The last contest was much closer than many supposed. Went in unorganized, came out an organized body; that very day the result was known the bugle note of renewed attack was sounded again along down the line, and led on by the gallant Bryan democracy had won in every contest since where it had stood firmly and aggressively by its principle.

Time is demonstrating the wisdom of the Chicago platform, not only on the money plank, but on all of the planks.

That Mexico is prospering under the double standard system of money; it is furnishing an object lesson to the world of the wisdom of true bimetallism. That while 400,000,000 people are under the gold standard, there are 900,000,000 who know nothing but silver—with whom mostly this country trades.

Fable of Wolf and Lamb

Mr. Tomlinson further contended that while the logic of events was proving the truth of the cause of democracy, yet to win democracy must fight, and continue to fight, and fight all along the line. That the gold standard people, like the wolf in the fable of the Wolf and the Lamb, would, if they could, have their dinner, the increments of an increasing dollar, in spite of all of our arguments; they are organized, aggressive, deceptive and misleading; and, unless watched, will in this state, under the plea of so-called "harmony" and under the plea "that in judicial fights the money question has no place," control our next democratic state convention, securing the state and county democratic executive committees so as to control the policy of the party in the great fight of 1900.

Help Those Who Help the Cause

That the policy of the silver advocates should be to help those who help the cause, and fight politically those who fight and sneer at the cause of silver; that any other course is illogical and unwise; that those who are earnestly in favor of silver will not put in the hands of others the club with which to fight silver; actions speak louder than words; those that are not for us are against us; those who profess to be for silver and work for the advocates of the gold standard in accomplishing their ends, are not fooling the people. When men say they are bimetallists, ask them if they are in favor of free coinage, second of unlimited coinage, third of independent coinage by this government, fourth at the existing legal rate of 16 to 1? If they answer, yes, then they are true bimetallists; otherwise, not.

Candidates for Solicitor

The speaker said, in proceeding with his speech, that he had heard that certain candidates for solicitor had been threatened that if they did not bring up their counties against silver in favor of certain candidates in the next state convention, that they would be beaten for solicitor in the next legislature. That, if this was true, these candidates should not be influenced thereby; that they should remember that the next legislature will be controlled by the advocates of silver's restoration, and that if candidates for solicitor think that they will help their cause before that legislature by bringing up counties against silver, in the next state convention, they read the times incorrectly.

Aggressiveness Against Aggressiveness

If the banks of this state feel it to their interest to continue to fight the farmers, continue to fight for the gold standard in the interest of non-resident bond holders and against the producing and laboring classes of the state so that values and wages keep going down and down, then, the next legislature should reduce the rate of interest. If the railroads and telegraph companies desire to continue to do the same thing, then, the next legislature should, as it has a right to do, put down railroad and telegraphic rates. If water and gas companies are disposed to do likewise, then, let water and gas charges come down accordingly.

Mr. Tomlinson further explained, however, that while the silver forces should be aggressive in standing up for their cause, yet, there should be no abuse; there should be no needless opposition aroused, and he told a story illustrating how men could be won over by the use of tact and good judgment. But, he said, there must be

No Compromise of Party Principles

There must be no compromise of the principles of the party; no smothering them even for the time being. That the majority of those who did not support the national ticket last fall are quietly coming back into the party without making demands, but that the few who are making demands are making them in vain. That two years ago these very people advocated fighting for principle; this year, they are advocating just the opposite.

That for democracy to win, it must continue to stand by its principle and be aggressive in obtaining substantial relief for the people; and in such a manner as to convince the people that the party is in earnest; to do which the party must build not upon the shifting sands of uncertain expediency, but upon the eternal rocks of everlasting principle; and the flag which was so gallantly run up at Chicago in 1896, must not be pulled down or lowered even for one brief moment.

HOME FOR OLD HORSES.

Institution at Acton, England, Where Aged Equines Are Cared For.

Lucky is the horse, who, in his declining days, becomes a pensioner at the Home of Rest for Horses at Acton, England. This invaluable institution is a hospital, as well as an almshouse for decayed members of the equine race, and in consideration of the nominal sum of half a crown a week the cabman, coster or humble greengrocer who produces a subscriber's letter may send his overworked steed to this haven of refuge, where it will receive all the attention necessary to fit it for service once more.

Donkeys are admitted free, but, strange to say, only three or four of these patient quadrupeds have been inmates during the past seven years, and in this connection Mr. Davis, the manager of the home, declares, to a London Mail reporter, that in London the donkey is being supplanted by Russian ponies, which are brought over in large numbers, and, being sold for a few pounds each, are in great demand with the coster class, who appreciate the fire and dash of the four-footed aliens.

A loose box is provided for each inmate at Acton, and as they become aware of the arrival of visitors thirty or forty horses thrust their heads through the doors of their abodes and regard us with polite curiosity. We are first introduced to an old horse belonging to a lady who, in return for his faithful services, sent him here for the remainder of his life. Then we come to Dolly, a cab horse, who presents a pair of stout heels to the intruding bipeds. Dolly is down for a rest, and, though her owner avers that she behaves admirably when at work, her conduct here has been far from lady-like—in fact, at an early stage of her visit she kicked off two of her shoes with such violence that one of her attendants had a narrow escape from injury. A fishmonger's pony, who has seen twenty-seven summers, is also resting. He has been here before, and is no doubt envious of those of his companions who are permanent residents.

The army is represented by an old black charger, rejoicing in the name of "Bones," who is said to have taken part in the fight at Tel-el-Kebir, and certainly walked beside the Queen's carriage in the Jubilee procession of 1887, bearing on his back a stalwart guardsman. "Bones" owes his good fortune to the kindness of a lady artist who, having frequently used him as a model in his service days, purchased him at the end of his martial career, and provided him with his present home.

German Experiments With Eggs.

In the Consular Report an interesting account is given of experiments made in Berlin to test various methods of preserving eggs. All were treated on July 1 and opened at the end of the following February. Salt water, salicylic acid, rubbing with salt, covering with bran, etc., did not prevent the eggs from spoiling. But eggs varnished with vaseline were all good at the end of February, and so were those preserved in lime water, and those preserved in a solution of water glass. The lime water sometimes gives the egg a bad taste, the solution of water glass causes the egg shell to break easily on immersion in boiling water and putting the vaseline on eggs takes too much time.—Baltimore Sun.

STRONG ADDRESS TO FARMERS

Commissioner Culver on Subject of What Planters Should Do.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, who is also president of the Alabama Agricultural Society, has issued an address to the farmers of the state.

The address appeared a day or two ago, incorporated in a pamphlet containing the constitution and by-laws of the society. Here is the address, and it is interesting:

It is an established fact that thorough organization is the corner-stone to success in every enterprise.

The first organization for the promotion of agriculture that we have an account of was a small colony settled on the Tiber, extending five miles back to the Albion hills, and only four miles up and down the river. Out of this colony came Rome, with her widespread dominion. Romulus only allowed one acre to each individual for cultivation, until Italy had been conquered, then the acreage was increased to four per capita. Cato, the first and most celebrated agricultural writer, tells how thoroughly agriculture was organized at the end of the second Punic war. He also enumerates the results of said organization. First thorough preparation and cultivation, rotation and rest. Also practiced a diversified agriculture. Rome's glory and power came from her agriculture, and as long as she fostered and protected that interest so long she maintained her position for power and conquest. The second effort was made in Italy, in the year 1900, in the establishing of an agricultural society, which soon failed.

Scotland did the same in 1723, and allowed, without good reason, the society to die out; but in 1783 organized the "Highland Agricultural Society." Only six men composed the organization. In 1787 said society was incorporated by royal charter, and a few years ago had over eight thousand members, paying as annual dues six dollars, or for life membership, sixty dollars. Their constitution enumerates the object of the association, and we will do well to observe them. They are:

First—Sub-organizations throughout Scotland with shows or fairs.

Second—Improved stock breeding.

Third—A proper system of agricultural education.

Fourth—The veterinary art and science.

Fifth—Analysis of soils and fertilizers.

Sixth—An annual publication of experiments and reports.

England has now her "Royal Agricultural Society," and so has every prosperous, progressive European country the same.

Well has it become known that an advanced and diversified agriculture is a potent factor in the prosperity of a nation, and well is it understood that only through organization can this be accomplished. Many of our own states have state organizations, societies and departments of agriculture, and there is no intelligent, progressive man in this state, or elsewhere, but recognizes the utility and necessity for such organizations. By organization, if we doubt for a moment its potency, either for good or evil, we have but to look at what has been accomplished by railroad combinations, manufacturers, merchants; indeed, today, every calling or profession in this country is backed by an organization thorough and complete. Not a single enterprise or business, public or private, that is not organized. Armies are handled and made effective only through organization. Religious denominations are maintained through their perfect system of organization. Denominations and sects of religionists disappear when organization is neglected. All nature, by God himself, stands organized, and to that extent within our power imitate Him. We are effectual in our efforts to accomplish a given enterprise. But, to be more practicable, we must be more specific with this question and display the results, or at least the more salient ones, to grow out of organization to us in Alabama as farmers and land owners. First, organination is a means of education. In our coming together we learn each other's defects, each other's wants, each other's capacity, in a word, become acquainted with each other, and by far the best of all we become acquainted with ourselves. We soon learn that God did not make us and then throw away the moulds, and that in us and with us all wisdom and knowledge of agriculture. Therefore, the most difficult part of man's education, "know thyself," is easily obtained when we are thrown together with men of whom we soon discover that they have forgotten more than we have ever learned, and while the most ignorant are the greatest learners, yet from them are many of our most practical and useful lessons obtained. Thus by the interchange of theory and practice; held and in operation on our individual farms, all are made common stock for improvement and progress. Again, we will learn that farming is not all art, but that science has much to do with successful farming.

The nature of our soils, the plant food extracted by a given crop, the necessary fertilizer, both as to kind and quantity, the value of rest, shade, air, sunshine, rain and dews are all illustrated by science. Those inclined to theory are held back by practical men that know of the art; thus all theory or book farming is passed through the mill of common sense, and we are often rid of the expense and worry of an experiment sure to fail.

When organized we can and ought to discuss the many subjects of vital interest to the farmers of Alabama, which can be done in our county and state societies. One of the first subjects that ought to come before us is the planting and raising of more food supplies of every kind for both man and beast first, and above all to influence each individual farmer to make his farm self-sustaining, and practice intensive farming, building up the productive capacity of his land by rotation and proper fertilization, thereby leaving to his posterity valuable real estates.

It is now a fact that we can and have raised a ten and a half million bale crop of cotton, and with increased population and the increased area of cotton lands of the west that is being opened to cotton we can in the near future produce a twelve or fifteen million crop, and I am fully satisfied in my humble judgment that five cents cotton is here to remain with us for a time. Then what ought we to do? No man can raise cotton at five cents and purchase his supplies and his mules; then why not face about and raise everything we need at home and then what cotton we can? If we plant for and raise twelve million this year and but little food crops, we may be able to realize about three to four cents for our cotton, and then where are your supplies to come from if you should fail to raise them?

This is a matter that each individual must ponder and settle for himself.

We hope that every county in the state that has not already a county society or club will at once organize, and it is my purpose to aid and assist in these organizations as rapidly as I can.

We hope that the counties will be organized in time to send delegates to the meeting of the State Society next August.

I. F. CULVER,
President Alabama State Agricultural Society.

Cost of Quarantine.

The state's funds for possible quarantine for the year 1898 have been about exhausted. This situation has been known for some time, but on Friday a statement was made showing exactly how the quarantine fund stands. The sum of $5,000 for each year, 1897 and 1898, was appropriated, and the cost of last summer's quarantine amounted to $9,625—this is what it cost to guard the state. The balance left is only $375.

McClellan for Chief Justice.

Oneonta News-Dispatch.

Judge T. N. McClellan of the supreme court of Alabama, ought to be, and will be, overwhelmingly elected chief justice of that court. He is senior justice now, and according to a well established democratic precedent will be promoted to the chief justiceship. Besides, in our judgment he is the ablest jurist on the supreme bench, in fact, one of the ablest in this country. Furthermore, he is in thorough accord with the principles of the party declared in its last national convention in Chicago. He does not merely reluctantly acquiesce in what the convention did and refuse to state whether he stands on the platform adopted by the convention or not, as his opponent does; but he thoroughly approves of the course of that convention and believes in the platform of principles adopted by it, and does not hesitate to say so. He is also in thorough accord and sympathy with the state democratic administration; he favored and worked for the nomination of Governor Johnston in his race for the governorship.

In this district, Judge Tally's judicial district, some have very quietly talked it that Judge Tally and Judge Tally's friends would fight Judge McClellan. We know it to be a fact that such is not the case, Judge Tally himself disclaiming any such purpose. It has been said that some of Judge Coleman's friends have sought to use the decision of the supreme court rendered by Justice McClellan in the Tally case against Judge McClellan in his race for the chief justiceship; but this paper thinks that there is very little of that being done; that if any of it is, it is without the approval of Judge Coleman, who, at the time of said decision, was also associate justice of the supreme court and fully concurred in said opinion and is as much responsible for it as Judge McClellan or Judge Coleman in regard to the decision; and it would be against the best interest of the people to oppose a judge for the honest discharge of his oftentimes unpleasant duties.

Spain Is Not Mad.

Senor Sagasta, the premier, and other members of the Spanish cabinet, state publicly that the DeLome incident will not affect the relations between Spain and the United States, and that a new envoy, competent to conduct the commercial negotions, will be selected.

Flowers Answered Both Purposes.

A certain young widow of Indianapolis who had just changed her weeds for brighter hues gave a dinner party not long ago. The rooms were decorated with a great profusion of flowers. Roses in masses were on the mantels and the dinner table fairly blossomed—in fact, the abundance of flowers was unusual. One of the guests could restrain her curiosity no longer, and when the dessert was brought in said: "Well, Mrs. Blank, you're rather spreading on the flowers to-night." "Yes," replied the fair widow brightly, "but to-morrow I am going to take them out to Crown Hill and put them on poor Tom's grave."

During the progress of the Thellusson will case, which benefited several generations of lawyers, one of the counsel employed suggested that something should stand over "till the day of judgment." Said Richard Bethell, who also appeared in the case—he was subsequently Lord Chancellor Westbury—"Will not that be a very busy day?"—Household Words.

The Professional Term for It.

"That spindly young man of yours, Laura," said the base-ball magnate to his lovely child, "has been flirting outrageously with the Van Snickersee girl."

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DREYFUS' PRISON LIFE.

Tries to Amuse Himself with Gardening and Algebra.

I learn on very good authority that Capt. Dreyfus, the French officer suffering life imprisonment for selling military secrets to the Germans, is now practically unrecognizable. His hair has turned quite white, and he is a complete wreck. Even if the inquiry which is being carried on were to prove the prelude to the rehabilitation of this unhappy man, life would be more or less a blank to him. He exists, and that is all. The only wonder is that he still lingers on. Countless persons endowed with strong constitutions would already have succumbed to the system to which he is subjected. Such is the opinion of those who have watched him on the spot, as a letter which has arrived from French Guiana abundantly testifies. Since he has been settled at the Ile du Diable Dreyfus has only been rarely visited by the Governor of the colony and other officials. Eleven warders are told off to guard him night and day, a couple at a time, who are relieved every two hours. They are strictly enjoined never to speak to the prisoner unless there is some imperative reason for their doing so, and then as briefly as possible. Thus Dreyfus spends days and weeks together, precluded from converse with a fellow-creature. Until the month of July he dwelt in a hut situated in the lower part of the island, but he was then removed to a plateau higher up. The structure which he now occupies is about 30 feet in length by 10 feet in breadth. It is divided into two rooms of almost equal size. One, with but two windows looking out on a sort of courtyard, is reserved for Dreyfus, egress from it being through a door in the partition that separates it from the other chamber, where the warders are posted. In front of this hut is a bit of ground some 40 yards square in area, inclosed by a very thick palisade six feet in height, so that the prisoner cannot catch a glimpse of the surrounding country, but has only a dead wall to gaze upon. The wretched man tried to convert the ground into a little garden, but the soil is so poor and pebbly that he had to give up the idea. When he arrived at the Ile du Diable he used to beguile the time in working out algebraical problems on a slate, but after a while he abandoned the practice, and he now passes hours together in reading and writing letters. As for the provisions with which he is supplied by the authorities, they are reduced to the simplest expression, fresh meat alternating with bacon, while bread, vegetables, salt and pepper, the last even regarded as a favor, complete the miserable list. Owing, however, to the money which he is permitted to receive from France—$100 a month, as is believed—Dreyfus is able to supplement this meagre diet and to provide himself with wine, cognac, preserves and also with cigars, which he smokes continuously. Such is the life, or rather existence, led by this unhappy man, and from which his relatives and friends are endeavoring to free him, while clearing his character as well.—London Telegraph's Paris correspondent.

Washing the Face.

The method of washing the face daily is of great importance, as even if one only washes it twice a day the operation has to be gone through 700 times in the course of a year, and this would naturally affect it for good or evil. Highly scented or highly colored soaps should be avoided, and one which gives a soft lather and does not cause any feeling of irritation is the best. The soap should be well rubbed into the face with a clean piece of flannel, and then bathed off in a basinful of absolutely clean water, so that every particle of soap may be removed. After thoroughly bathing the face should be dried with a Turkish towel, and then, if the skin be coarse and thick, it may be rubbed with a rough towel, but if the skin is at all sensitive a very soft towel should be used, and the face finally well rubbed over with a piece of chamois leather, or, better still, with the finger tips, when clean, tend to remove lines and to prevent the formation of wrinkles. If lines have already formed the skin should be rubbed in a direction contrary to their length, as, for example, if there are vertical lines between the eyebrows, they should be rubbed from side to side; if there are straight lines across the forehead they should be rubbed down from the hair to the root of the nose and back again.—Philadelphia Times.

His Precious Penny.

H. A. Sylvester, an aged man of Rockport, Me., still owns a penny given him when he was only two years old. The penny has traveled with him on shipboard round the world; has been shipwrecked, seen mining riots in the wilds of Idaho, and has been coveted by the pickpockets in the wilds of San Francisco. Sylvester hung on to it when it was the only cent he had to his name, and would not exchange it for a golden eagle.

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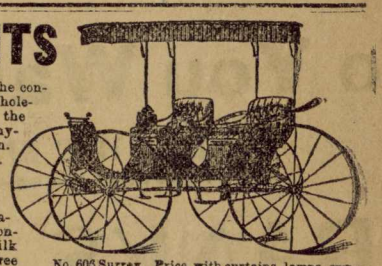

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WAR!

SEEMS

To be Inevitable!

By Cable to the Age-Herald.

Havana, Feb. 20.—The Bache, the United States survey steamer, with a plethora of diving appliances and submarine electric lights, is here, and the secret that is hidden under the foul bay will soon be made clear.

No American in Havana doubts now that the Maine was torn to pieces by a submarine mine, though the forms and conditions prevent the officers from so stating publicly.

Spanish divers will be beside the United States government divers in the inspection of the hull of the Maine, through the courtesy of Capt. Sigsbee. The next question is whether there will be the return courtesy of permitting the American divers to examine the floor of the bay between the wreck and the shore for traces of an electric wire or cable that may have fired the mine. It is generally supposed that a request for such a privilege will have the immediate effect of putting the government on its dignity, and that it will be regarded as an insult to Spain.

It is probable that if the mine was fired by a wire from the shore the wire has been pulled in before now, though there is no certainty that traces are not left. Captain Sigsbee believes the investigation by his board will be completed in three days, and the results laid before the court of inquiry.

The divers worked along to-day hunting for the dead. The Bache's men are preparing for the deeper diving.

Havana is delirious with joy to-day. The carnival has begun. The official pall of mourning has been lifted, But there is something excessive, unnatural in the gaiety as if a secret motive, something they dared not confess, was the cause of their strange elation. Eyes speak what lips dare not utter. Gestures, the sweep of a knife finding the vitals of a victim, picture what words are forbidden to describe. Triumph breathes in every act of the gaudily attired revellers in the prado. Confetti is thrown with an exultation that seems as plain as words to say:

"WE SUNK THE YANKEE SHIP."

The fear of the Spanish officials is that as the festival more nearly approaches an orgy the masks will be cast aside and that there will be an exhibition of the hatred against America.

Circulars exulting in the sinking of the Maine were distributed among the revellers this morning. The civility usually shown Americans in the streets is greatly diminished. The disguise is so thin now that it would take but a step to insult and attack.

So far it has stopped with verbal abuses and hisses, but a serious anti-American outbreak is quite within the possibilities of the near future.

This feeling is made more intense by the tidings that another American warship is to be sent here.

FULLY CONVINCED OF TREACHERY.

Key West, Fla., Feb. 20.—News was received here this morning to the effect that Captain Sigsbee and his officers were now convinced of treachery and foul play in the Maine wreck, and that Captain Sigsbee had made an important report to the Washington officials to that effect. No details are given save the bare fact that something has been discovered convincing Sigsbee of foul play.

It is rumored by passengers going through to port Tampa by the Olivette last night that the big explosion occurred in Havana as the steamer was leaving the bay; also a rumor that a government diver discovered another bomb near the Maine in Havana bay.

The excitement does not abate here over the Maine calamity. Since the news has come from Cuba that the forward magazine had not exploded the people are more outspoken in harsh language toward the Spaniards. The Maine officers here are the most reserved and will not be interviewed.

SEND MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Should the investigation begun to-day at Havana, under the direction of tha court of inquiry, show that the disaster to the Maine was caused by an explosion from the outside, the president will at once send a message to congress with a recommendation that immediate action be taken.

The message will be sent whether the Spanish officials disclaim responsibility or not. The president considers that the honor of the country has been dangerously assaulted, even if the firing of a torpedo or a submarine mine was the work of unofficial Spaniards. He will plainly express his views, but will ask congress to share with him the responsibility for the next step, which in all human probabilities will be war.

This information was from an authoritative source, a high official in close touch with the president. Since the disaster to the Maine last Tuesday evening, the president has freely disussed the situation in all details with his officials. The president hopes for the sake of peace that the disaster was caused by an accident. However, he has been unable to make up his mind that such was the case. He is calmly and patiently awaiting the result of the official inquiry.

All theories have been weighed and conclusion reached that in case the blow came from the outside, decisive action must be taken. Influential people with whom the president has talked have presented to him the theory that the explosion was due to the action of private citizens of Havana, or to parties who wish to precipitate a war. In each case the president has expressed himself to the effect that this country cannot afford to overlook such a blow to its dignity and its honor.

PREPARING FOR WAR IN EARNEST.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—There is no doubt but that the government, in as quiet a way as possible, is making active preparations for war, both in a military and naval way, so that commencement of hostilities will not find us unprepared. Advices have been sent to officers in command of coast fortifications everywhere to see that their guns and ammunition are in good order, and it is known here to-day that an additional force of men was actually sent to Sandy Hook last night from different forts around New York. While no one knows their exact location, it is well known that the harbor of New York is filled with submarine mines and torpedoes, and there is no doubt but that the Vizcaya is in such a position that she could be easily dispatched in the event of her assuming a threatening attitude. She is directly under the guns of Forts Hamilton and Wadsworth, and would have little show against them.

ADMINISTRATION SPARRING FOR TIME, ALTHOUGH WAR IS ANTICIPATED.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The administration is playing for time, but at the same time most active precautions are being made all along the line for an emergency. The longer an open and decisive step can be postponed the better. No fault will be found with any reasonable slowness with which the court of inquiry on the disaster of the Maine will act. Days count now. The more days occupied in the inquiry, the better prepared this country will be to meet war should it come. Three weeks are needed.

FORT M'PHERSON TROOPS ORDERED READY.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 22.—It develops here to-night that orders have been received at Fort McPherson to hold two companies of United States infantry for immediate movement to Key West. Two companies have been detailed and private soldiers are under orders not to leave the reservation, even when off duty. It has leaked out by some of the men telling their friends good-bye, and saying that orders to move are daily and hourly expected. Inquiry develops the fact that this order had been expected ever since the riot in Havana, but it was not received until several days after the Maine was blown up. It is understood to have reached here yesterday, but was kept quiet, and is not yet generally known. The soldiers who have been detailed for this duty understand that Key West is not their real objective point, but that they are only a small part of a force to be mobilized at Key West and be ready for a quick trip to Havana, which may be made in six hours. It is understood that the officers at Fort McPherson, like the private soldiers, look upon this as a serious move, indicating a purpose on the part of the war department to be prepared for emergency at Havana. It is learned on good authority that the immense fortification built at Key West for the government by the Venable Construction company, is nearing completion, and that the government has been advised that the guns may be mounted immediately. These are immense guns, fifteen feet long and weighing about twenty-six tons each. At the Tybee Island fortification the government is mounting the first of the four eight-inch guns which compose the battery.

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RUTH AND NAOMI.

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Entreat me not," she said,
And on Naomi's bosom
Weeping she bowed her head;

"For wheresoe'er thou goest
There will I follow thee,
And wheresoe'er thou dwellest,
There shall my lodging be;

"Henceforth, beloved mother,
Thy people shall be mine;
All other gods forsaking,
I'll serve no God but thine;

"I'll die where'er thou diest,
And there will buried be.
Bear witness, God! no power
But death parts thee and me."

Not half so dear a token
Of love, of faith sublime,
Has history ever hoarded
Its treasure-crypts of time;

Fame on her scrolls has graven
Great deeds, and words that prove
The majesty, the beauty,
The might of woman's love;

But where a deed so splendid,
Where words that nobler are?
'Mid fame's great orbs of glory
She shines the morning star!

When spake this Moab woman,
Her mouth's ambrosial breath,
Stirred chords that slumbered voiceless
Till waked by love and faith;

Her touch divine endowed them
With deathless life and youth;
Breathe but the word "Naome,"
And they will murmur "Ruth."

Chas. W. Hubner, in Atlanta Constitution.

Intelligent Cotton Mill Labor.

One of the main reasons given by the New England cotton manufacturers for not transferring their operations to the South is that labor in this section does not come up to the high standard of intelligence and skill which characterizes the labor of New England operatives.

Strikingly at variance with this reason for not availing themselves of the immense advantages which the South offers, is the following letter written by one of the Fall River operatives and addressed to the Manufacturers' Record. Says the operative:

Dear sir i Am i am not Aguinted with the south Any way what so ever if i was I culd answer your letter but as it is i dont see How i can At this time not nowing Anithing About the places i Have worked in the mill since i was 8 years old now i am just abour turn 40 i am in want of a supt Position i Have worked in every room in the mill prity much can Do My work i have second Handed & Overseere And bin supt ten for 8 years and i am lookin for Just such a position you writing Me in regard too the south that is a place that i shuld like to look Over sum time there may bee something there that May be ofeum survis too Me dont no shure if your people nows Of anithing in My line i shuld be very Glad to Have them to bar me in Mind if there shuld be anithing i shall Bar you in mind Hopiug i shall be Able to ansure you leters sum day later On if i shuld go south i wanted under stud that i Am Just as good a Manufacture too day as i Hever was up with the times and everything pertaining a cotton mill Hoping i shall Here from you soon Very truly yours.

Hoping that you Will do what ever you cad for me thrug your papers And what ever wire pulling you May Have With aney one i can refer you to any supt Or tres in fall river Nety Machine Masons Mac Whitins Machine or Drapers at Ope dale or William Walsh at Drapers any of these you or aney one els can Write to them About sober Man never was drunk in my life sir these men Now me all of them.

Of course this letter is not published as a specimen of the attainments of the average operator in the New England cotton mills. Most of the operatives employed in these mills are undoubtedly much further advanced than the one in question; but coming as it does just at this time, the foregoing letter is not without its amusing interest.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va., was frightfully burned on the face and neck. Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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SMALLPOX.

A Case Breaks Out in the Industrial School.

A case of smallpox developed in the Dormitory Sunday evening. The origin is traced to a washerwoman at Aldrich. President Reynolds, after consultation with the county health officer, had a citizens' meeting Sunday night and decided to depopulate the dormitory of all who had not been exposed, so that the patient could be cared for without removal, and those who had been exposed, detained without danger of communicating the disease, and the building thoroughly disinfected. The parents of the sick girl have been advised, and a policy of thorough frankness adopted. No information will be suppressed. Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, the college physician, says it is a very mild case, and there is no cause for alarm, and that he has no doubt of stamping out the disease at once. A large majority of the pupils board in private families, and these have not been exposed in the least, and are absolutely safe from infection. They are attending school as usual, the school building being some distance from the dormitory. Dr. Wilkinson says no apprehension need be felt as to their safety. Excitement has about subsided, and the situation is being accepted philosophically and all precautions are being taken. It is confidently believed that the pupils will all return within three weeks.

The following letter was sent by President Reynolds to Gov. Jos. F. Johnston and the Board of Trustees of the Industrial School:

Gentlemen: I suppose by this time you are in possession of the report that we have smallpox in the school. I therefore consider it my duty to give you a statement of all the facts that have occurred, and the steps that I have taken in the matter, in order that you may know the precise condition of affairs here.

I went to New York a short time ago to attend a meeting in the Madison Sqnare Garden, conducted under the auspices of the Armstrong Association, which is composed of a number of the leading men of our country, viz.: Ex-President Cleveland, Gen. Howard, William E. Dodge and others, in the interest of negro education, for the purpose of bringing such influence as they might possess to bear upon Speaker Reed to secure the passage of the bill, which only needs his sanction to become a law.

I returned home last Saturday morning. Saturday night I found that one of the girls in the Dormitory had a suspicious case of sickness—symptoms being those preceding smallpox eruptions, but not until Sunday night was it enough developed to ascertain that she really had the disease. At that time the Dormitory had in it about 85 girls, being closely filled. This case being on the second floor and so many liable to infection, I felt it my duty under the circumstances to at once depopulate the house.

By midnight Sunday night I had a list of every girl in it arranged in order for one of the four trains that she could go upon the next day. Monday morning early I collected them in the reception room and stated this fact, and furnished them with the enclosed circular letter, and supplied them with money to pay their passage home, and sent them home at once.

My reasons for this were twofold: First, that all danger of infection so far as possible would be at an end, as it was then impossible to move the sick girl. Second, over 250 girls in private boarding houses could not have been kept in school had I allowed the girls from the Dormitory to take their seats in the chapel and classroom. Then, the responsibility and risk of having quite a number sick in the Dormitory, and no trained nurses to handle them, might have resulted in its becoming a hospital, and irretrievable damage thereby done to our future prospects.

As it is there is but one girl in the Dormitory and the lady who has been waiting upon her, except the family of Mr. Farrington, who live on the lower floor. Every other room in the building has been locked except the closets, which are on the same floor with the patient.

I have also sent a circular letter to every patron of the school stating the exact condition, as I am determined to deal frankly and honestly with the people, and, whenever they order their daughters home, I shall cheerfully send them. However, I don't think that there is a particle of danger to those remaining here, and have so notified them. The school has been going along yesterday and today just as usual, with about 250 girls present. I am holding them well in hand and will permit no demoralization whatever.

Of course I am laboring under a great strain, but I think that I shall come out all right. Even if the school had to be disbanded, it would not be such a calamity as might at first appear, because we certainly can close with flying colors, only to take a fresh start in the Fall with renewed energy and courage.

Just here I will state that I have lately visited Pratt Institute, at Brooklyn; Drexel Institute, Philadelpnia; Teacher's College, New York; Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C.; the Georgia Normal and Industrial School, and quite a number of other schools, and have gained a great deal of information and will try and profit by the experience gained by observation. At the same time considering our people and their condition, I am frank to confess that I do not think that any could surpass what we have done and are doing here for Alabama's girls.

Of course these experiences, such as we are passing through now, are visitations beyond the control of man largely, and can only be met in the best manner possible, and this I shall endeavor to do.

Allow me in conclusion to thank you for the confidence you have displayed in my judgment heretofore, and to assure you that I shall at all times do everything in my power to sustain the institution I am sure you view with pride.

The teachers are all well and conducting themselves nicely. Miss Bush, who has been sick the greater part of this season, will go home as soon as the excitement is over. Of course quite a number of girls will be ordered home, and my future course will simply have to be governed by circumstances.

Very sincerely yours,
H. C. REYNOLDS,
President.

LATER.—Since writing the foregoing letter, I have secured a nice house at the edge of town, and will immediately move the patient and the matron who has been attending her, where they will be cared for by a trained nurse for whom we have sent to Birmingham.

I shall at once proceed to fumigate the Dormitory and put it in good shope. I consider all danger over and trust the school will move along all right. H. C. R.

The following is a copy of a letter President Reynolds wrote to patrons of the school in regard to smallpox at the Dormitory:

Dear Sir. Under existing circumstances, and realizing the responsibility resting upon me for the welfare of your daughter, I have decided, owing to prevalence of smallpox in the neighborhood and the danger of infection, to act promptly, and to that end have given her a furlough or temporary leave of absence until I can determine whether it will be safe for them here.

I am in the whole matter trying to do by you as I would like to be done by. Taking that view of the matter, I trust you will excuse me in venturing this advice to you. Have your entire family vaccinated in at least two places on one arm with good vaccine matter immediately. You can get it from your county, or have the State officials send it to you.

I hope you will not become excited over my taking these precautions, and allow me to say I have not attempted to keep this secret one minute, but on first appearance of danger I have acted promptly.

I will keep you advised as to the situation and return of your daughter, if safe, etc.

The school was never more prosperous. Your daughter has done admirably, and it is a source of great regret for me to take this step, but I realize the fact that you might reflect on me were I to neglect any precaution for your daughter's safety, I could never forgive myself.

With kindest regards and thanking you for your confidence and promptness in our transactions, I am,

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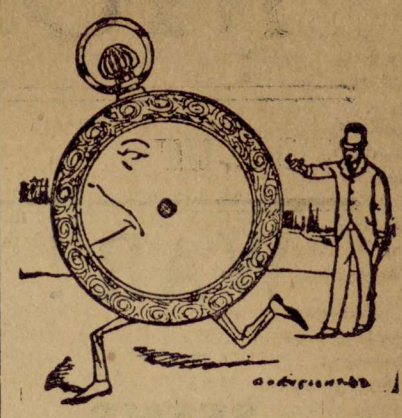

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

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A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

C. C. Vandegrift has had his store house repainted.

The Montevallo brick yard will soon start to making brick.

Several of our citizens went to Mardi Gras this week.

Dr. Bishop, of Talladega, visited his sister, Miss Sarah, this week.

See change in the ads. of Morgan Bros. and H. C. & W. B. Reynolds.

Miss Ollie Bryan, of Talladega, visited her parents here this week.

Miss Bessie Lum, of Montgomery, is visiting her stster, Miss Carrie, this week.

C. C. Vandegrift will soon remove into the building formerly occupied by the News.

Dr. Givhan and Clifton Newton report great things from the good roads convention.

Miss Genia Wilkinson, of Prattville, is visiting her brother, Er. D. L. Wilkinson, of our town.

Mr. Harper Lum, of Montgomery, is visiting his sister, Miss Carrie, of the Industrial School.

Maj. Alex. A. Wall, of the "St. George," left this morning on a business trip to Oakman, Ala.

Dr. Givhan, who has been quite sick for several days, is improving, and will be out again soon.

Little Clifton Wells, while imitating a trapeze performer Tuesday, accidentally fell and broke his arm.

Our Maplesville correspondent reached us too late for publication this week, but will appear next week.

All of the ex-Bibb county people will be glad to learn that Supt. J. G. Mocre, of Blocton, will be one of our next State senators.

Miss Bush, one of the music faculty, left for her home at Macon, Miss., yesterday, on account of a recent illness. We regret her departure.

All who are indebted to me must call and see me, or I will put their account in the hands of a collector.

Clifton Newton.

Mr. Will Perry, the popular salesman for C. L. Meroney & Co., accompanied by his sister, Miss Mary Lee, visited Mardi Gras at Birmingham this week.

Miss Mattie Mundy, of Eutaw, a former pupil of our school, is visiting Mrs. E. S. Lyman this week. Miss Mundy's many friends welcome her back to Montevallo.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any wheri else in town.

Our old friend, John Carlisle, of Talladega, stopped over in Montevallo a couple of days this week on his return from Birmingham, where he attended Mardi Gras.

The News is glad to learn that Hon. John McQueen will probably go to the lower house of the legislature this next term. All Montevallo wish him success in the race for the seat.

We are glad to know that over 200 girls arose in the chapel this morning and expressed themselves as having confidence in the president and faculty as regards their welfare in the present scare about smallpox.

The twenty-five young ladies at Mr. Ed Lyman's, who have braved the storm so uncomplainingly, are entitled to a banner, and the young men of this town, whose hearts and souls are with Capt. Reynolds in preserving the school, mean to present them with some such a token.

Married, near Six Mile, on the 17th inst., by Rev. J. T. Wells, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Trott, Prof. W. A. Gibbon, of the Brierfield Normal College, and Miss Annie Trott. The News congratulates Prof. Gibbon in his selection of a fair companion for life, and wishes for him and his lovely bride a long, useful and happy life,

Col. J. C. McFee, the pioneer traveling man of the "grip," was in town last week, a guest at the St. George. The colonel has been on the road continuously since 1853. His store of experience is copious. He is very popular among his fellow craft—also among his trade. He is also chairman of the hotel committee of the T. P. A., Post B, with headquarters at Birmingham. Come again, colonel, we are always pleased to see you.

Died, at the home of Mr. Frank McGaha, near Dogwood, on Friday night last, after a lingering illness of consumption, Mr. George Shortridge Lewis, aged about 61 years. Mr. Lewis was a brother of the late Burwell B. and Paul H. Lewis, and was a graduate of the State University. He was a good and true Confederate soldier, having belonged to the Sixth Texas Regiment, and was wounded in the foot, which made him a cripple for life.

SMALLPOX.

Before the discovery of vaccination by Sir Edward Jenner, in 1776, smallpox annually destroyed in Europe 4,000 or 5,000 people. Since that time the death rate per million has steadily decreased, until now, where formerly upward of 2,000 people to the million perished, only about a hundred or thereabouts now die.

The State Board of Health in this State says: "In a community or town well and thoroughly vaccinated, there would be no possibility of a serious extension of smallpox." Statistics show that the per centage of death in the unvaccinated is 35 per cent; those having one vaccine scar, 7.73 per cent; two scars, 4.70 per cent; 3 scars, 1.95 per cent; 4 scars, 55 per cent.

"In the open air," says Dr. Loomis, "the distance of contagion is about 2 1-2 feet." In order to take smallpox, a smallpox germ must be introduced into an unprotected person, and these germs must be in sufficient numbers to overcome the natural resistance of the system. The more vaccination scars a person can show, the harder it is for these germs to overcome the resistance. This is why repeated vaccination is necessary. Some claim that smallpox can not be conveyed to an unprotected person unless some of the pus is brought in contact with a mucous or cutaneous surface. This is a mistake. The germs are conveyed by the breath, by exhalations from the skin, etc. Clothing and the atmosphere are the principal means of conveyance. Woolen clothing conveys the germs more readily than linen. The principal stage of the dfsease, when most communicable, is the stage of suppuration (beginning about the sixth day) and the stage of dessication, which begins about the twelfth day. So generally there is little danger in a smallpox patient before the sixth dav.

Smallpox usually begins with a chill, headache, backache and nausea. The eruption first begins on the face, and generally on the third day from the initial fever.

During the present epidemic, the mortality has been almost less than that of measles. White people have nearly everywhere escaped. But few towns in Alabama at present of any size are free from the disease, and so few deaths have occurred from it, that few people have paid any attention to it, even when the disease was only a few yards away.

D. L. Wilkinson.

COMMITTEE CALL

MEETING OF DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SHELBY COUNTY.

The following call is for a meeting of the Democratic executive committee of Shelby County, on Tuesday, March 8, at Columbiana:

A meeting of the Democratic executive commitee of Sheby County Alabama, is hereby call to be held in Columbiana on Tuesbay, the 8th day March, 1868. A full attendance is urgently requested, as business of importance will be transacted.

W. B. Browne,
Chairman.

The following is a list of the committee by beat:

Beat 1—W. H. Bell, J. D. S. Shirley, P. B. Harrell.
2—N. N. Mosteller, J. N. Carden, I. P. Vinson.
3—W. D. Huggins, S. H. Gist, S. T. Bristow.
4—E. S. Lyman, W. B. Reynolds, R. L. Rice.
2—John Harmon, James Doss, J. M. Waddell.
6—E. Ruffin, J. L. Tucker, Robert Marshal.
7—C. P. McLane, J. B. Adams, H. A. McClinton.
8—W. A. Wilder, J. W. Shaw, Thos. Lester.
9—J. H. Welden, J. F. Pope, J. J. W. Taylor.
10—T. J. Martin, C. H. Florey, W. N. Moss.
11—J. W. Moore, F M. Walton, O. S. Lybrand.
12—N. H. Ross, Earl Cross, Sam Dunnaway.
13—J. C. Farley, A. J. Deshazo' C. T. Lee.
14—W. H. Collins, J. M. Babb, S. M. Goodwin.
12—R. M. Hollis, Chas Bradshaw, J. H. Gill.
16—E. P. Chandler, C. F Elliott, J. J. Burks.
17—J. W. McWhorter, R. M. Acton, Taylor Farrell.

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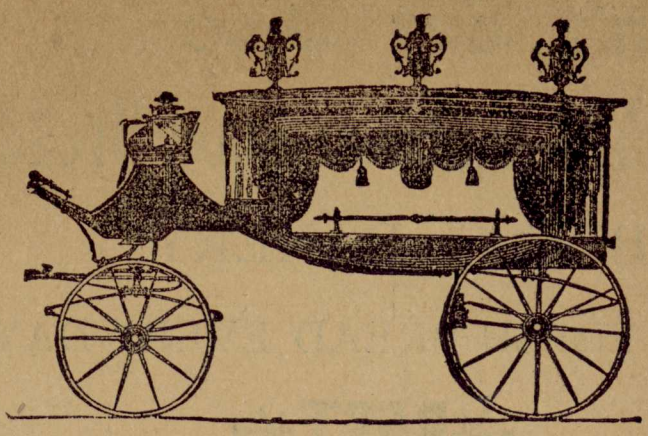

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AN OLD LETTER.

L. M. MONTGOMERY.

I found it to-day in the dusty leaves
Of a volume long unread,
Folded away in some long-past day
In the years that so swiftly fled.
A faded letter, old and dim,
Blurred with the touch of age,
And a strange sweet scent was still faintly blent
With each worn and yellowed page.

A letter writ in a childish hand
To the sister far away
Who had learned to roam from the hillside home
And the friends of her girlhood's day.
Dear little writer—the small brown hand
That penned the halting lines
Has long been at rest on a clay-clod breast,
Beneath her native pines.
Ah! As I read it my eyes were filled
With a dew of tender tears,
For it brought once more the dreams of yore
And the sweetness of vanished years;
And the little sister with violet eyes
And braids of silken hair,
And clinging hand, seemed once more to stand
As of old beside my chair.

Love and kisses fond and sweet,
Tidings of old-time friends,
Home—heart greetings blent with each message sent,
Scraps and odds and ends.
"The front door rose-tree is out in bloom,
And the cat has kittens four;
Tom cut his hand, and the baby can stand
Alone by himself on the floor.

Haying is over—it was such fun—
And the old white hen's dead.
Aren't you sorry?—I am—and cousin Sam
Is going out West, 'tis said
I'm head of my class, and Kitty Jones
Comes each afternoon to play,
But I, too, am lonely, and I wish that you
Hadn'r ever gone away.

Won'f you come back soon, for I miss you so,
And it seems so long to wait,
I send you a rose from the bush that grows
Out there by the garden gate.
I think of you every hour that comes
And every night I pray,
Before I sleep, that God will keep
Dear sister so far away."

I folded it up with reverent touch,
That letter, so old and quaint,
With each yellowed sheet and each message sweet,
And the writing dim and faint,
I put it away with my treasured things,
And my eyes were dim with tears,
For a spell it bore of the days of yore
And the hopes of olden years.

THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD ROADS.

The roads of a country are its commercial arteries, and the importance of keeping these arteries in good condition cannot be too strongly emphasized. In the south we have not given the subject of good roads the attention which it properly deserves, and the consequence is that our material development has been somewhat hindered on this account. But the future is still before us, and it lies within our power to atone in some measure for our past shortcomings by giving the subject of good roads more careful attention in the future. If we expect to secure for this section the industrial prestige to which its marvelous wealth entitles it, we cannot make a better start in this direction than by putting our roads in good condition.

Of course the farmer will be the first to experience the benefit of this improvement, but its sphere of influence will not be restricted to the farmer. Indirectly it will make itself apparent in the changed status of our people generally, and every interest of this section will derive fresh energy and life from its invigorating touch. Several days ago Prof. W. C. Latta, of Purdue university, LaFayette, Ind., discussed the subject of good roads at some length in a public address. So thoroughly did this distinguished educator enter into the merits of the subject that some review of the salient points of his address may not be amiss in this connection. Without going too much into detail, these points which seem to thoroughly condense the argument may be briefly summarized as follows: First, good roads economize time and force in the labor of transporting products from the farm to the market; second, they enable the farmer to take advantage of market fluctuations in buying and selling; third, they permit transportation of farm products and purchased commodities during times of comparative leisure; fourth, they reduce the wear and tear on horses, harness and vehicles, and fifth, they enhance the market value of real estate. Each of these reasons separately considered is sufficient in itself to warrant our people in putting forth their utmost exertions to improve the condition of our roads and to keep them in a good condition. There is no telling what our farmers have lost, and indirectly, what our people generally have lost, on account of bad roads; and without allowing ourselves longer to remain indifferent to the claims of this important subject, it behooves us from this time forward to make our roads the objects of our special solicitude. When we begin to do this, prosperity, such as we have never before known in Dixie, will begin to reign throughout her borders.

One reason why the south has not taken more interest in the subject of good roads until the present time is due in part to the destitution in which the late war left her, and in part to the lack of sufficient agitation. For more than twenty years the south was compelled to struggle under the heavy burden of debt which the late war entailed upon her, and she lacked the means necessary for improving the condition of her roads; but things are now different. With the light of better days breaking upon her she is now possessed of ample means with which to devote herself to the task of improving the condition of her roads; and, moreover, she realizes, as she has never realized before, the importance of giving this subject her attention. She realizes that railway systems, no matter how much they may be multiplied and extended, cannot supply the deficiencies of country roads, and that if the resources of this section are ever fully developed, it must be accomplished through the agency of good roads. With this conviction firmly stamped upon her mind the south intends within the next few years to apply herself with fixed determination to the task of building up good roads, and over these good roads she intends to march with stately strides into the proud inheritance which lies before her.—Atlanta Constitution.

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No businsss in this land was ever built up by programmes, city directories, maps and the like. Such things may be an aid, but they never are the foundation of a business. They do not really reach many people, and those that do read them generally treat them contemptiously. Says a recent successful bicycle advertiser: "One inch in a goad local paper, displayed in the same place each issue will do more to keep yourself and your bicycle before the public than many advertisemeuts of the hand bill nature."

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J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Poor Dr Mary Walker.

Atlanta Constitution.

Dr. Mary Walker must feel lonely in the isolation to which her peculiar views on the subject of dress consign her. Although she habitually arrays herself in masculine attire, she is denied the privilege of membership in those councils which are sacred to the sterner sex; and on the other hand, although endowed with many of the brightest and most refined traits of womanhood, she finds herself excluded with equal cordiality from the sisterhoods of her own sex. Yet she continues to don her favorite garb with apparent resignation.

On Tuesday of last week the annual congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution met in Washington, D. C., and it seems that Dr. Walker, who had been blackballed several months before, on presenting her application for membership in the patriotic sisterhood, managed in some way to figure in the deliberations of the congress. This enraged several of the members, who considered it offensive that one so conspicuous for repudiating the established garb of her sex should be given the privileges of the hall, and accordingly, at the close of the session, when Dr. Walker had retired, the following statement was given out:

Some months ago the request for admission to the society of the D. A. R. was presented by Dr. Mary Walker to the national board of management accompanied by proof of lineal descent from revolutionary ancestry and by the necessary fees and dues. The board decided that this society, being one composed of women, could not consider the candidate as eligible or acceptable, she having repudiated the recognized apparel of women. Both papers and money were returned.

Why Dr. Walker under these circumstances should have seen fit to obtrude herself upon the deliberations of the congress does not appear from the information which has come to hand, unless she expected by personal effort to induce the congress to reverse its action. If this was her purpose in attending the proceedings, she failed in it most signally.

When you part with your trousers, doctor, and make up your mind to assume once more the modest garb of your sex, you may stand some chance of getting into the order which now rejects you; but not until then. The women of this country have too much pride in the time-honored and beautiful garb which they have always worn to entertain for one moment the idea of admitting into their sisterhoods one who is bent upon exchanging it for vulgar pantaloons.

Genius Nipped in the Bud.

A Georgia farmer who has a son who gives promise of literary excellence brought the boy to the city with the view of apprenticing him to some literary chap, as he expressed it, "to learn the business." But he first sought an editor of his acquaintance and asked his opinion.

"How long would it be," he asked, "before the lad would be makin' money by his writin's?"

"He'd have to make a name first," said the editor.

"But he's got that already," explained the farmer—"Jeremiah Jedediah Jones! What's the matter with that?"

"I mean—he'd have to make a name as an author before he could command any cash."

"And how long would that take?"

"About ten years."

"Jerry," said the old man, "come along an' less go back to plowin'. Five cent cotton beats that all hollow! You've been a-talkin' about a wider field; come 'long home an' I'll give you ten acres!"—Atlanta Constitution.

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Monteval'o has a population of 1,200 and is steadily growing. It has the Alabama Polytechnic Institute for Glirs; four churches afiord ample opportunity for those who wish to worship; branches of the most important secret societies are fully organized: the people never go to sleep, but keep up the hum of business every day in the year. Montevallo is well fitted to make a home for all enterprising men and women seeking a location. All such are welcomed, and letters of inquiry are cheerfully and promptly answered.

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News items are always gladly received, subject to the editor's pencil. Spicy news communications are requested from any neighborhood. Local news items are desired always.

School teachers, ministers and physicians are especially requested to notify us of all reports, announcements, incidents, etc., that are of local interest.

Regular correspondents are desired in every town and community within fifteen miles of Montevallo. Write for terms and instructions to correspondents.

Short articles on subj cts of interest can frequently be used. Articles dealing with politics, religion or personalities are not available for our use

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The excitement of smallpox was thought to be subsided, but on last Friday a new case developed, that of Dr. E. G. Givhan. He attended the Aldrich washerwoman who introduced the disease at the Dormitory, and then attended the good roads convention at Anniston, and returned home sick. He was carefully watched until Friday the 25th inst., when eruptions appeared and he was sent to the pest house. Evevrything passed of smothly until this morning when the news spread that Miss Lucy Saunders, a boarder at Mr. E. S. Lyman, was the latest victim.

The girls attended school as usual, but President Reynolds, appreciating the situation, thought best to dismiss school for at least three weeks, and so notified all the students that they could go home. They all prepared to leave at once. We are glad to say that Miss Fuller is doing nicely and will soon be well. Dr Givhan is reported much better.

All of the young ladies have been vaccinated no new cases are expected. President Reynolds hopes to resume school by the first of April.

We received a letter from Bro. Abernathy, but it came too late to get in this week. He writes that he found many friends of the school who expressed their sympathy for Capt. Reynolds and the faculty, and who also gladly endorsed the policy pursued by him as president of the school.

The people of Montevallo should turn their attention to street improvement, and let the initial step be the getting of street lamps, so that the citizens themselves can see to walk the streets at night; also those who are not citizens, when they are walking. Let us prefer light rather than darkness.

We should not be discouraged in our appeals for the L. & N. R. R. to come by Montevallo. We are in earnest, and when the people of this town decide to have anything, it is a shadow of "the coming event."

A delightful tea party was given in honor of Misses Mattie Mundy, of Eutaw, and Bessie Lum, of Montgomery, at the hotel "St. George" on Monday evening last. The following couples were present: L. N. Bowden with Miss Addie Lee; W P. McConaughy with Miss Bessie Lum; Burgess Little with Miss Mattie Mundy; S. S. Allen with Miss Ethel McMath, and A. J. Lee with Miss Laura Dale. After tea the party repaired to the hotel parlors, where they enjoyed various games, charades, etc., until 10 o'clock. when they bade adieu to their hosts, and all were omnibussed away.

MAPLESVILLE.

A fight occurred in town Saturday night between Operator Wynkoop and Mr. Hundley, a track foreman, in which Wynkoop won the victory. Hundley had a skinned face and a black eye Sunday morning. Wynkoop was not hurt. The fight occurred over a dispute about a watch.

The many friends of J. W. Graham are sorry to hear that he has been quite sick for the past few weeks, and hope for his speedy recovery.

The M. & O. R. R. is progressing rapidly. We will soon have another railroad through Maplesville, and hope our little town will build up to some extent.

T. U. Crumpton has resigned the agency for the Southern Railway Co.

A new store house is being erected in town. Glad to see our little town build up.

Dr. A. S. Woolley's store was all sunshine with the presence of his lovely and accomplished daughter, Miss Gertrude, last week.

Our young friend Crump seems greatly disappointed over something. Guess it is because he cannot look into the depths of those lovely brown eyes he loves so well.

Will T. Denton is very popular with the girls up north.

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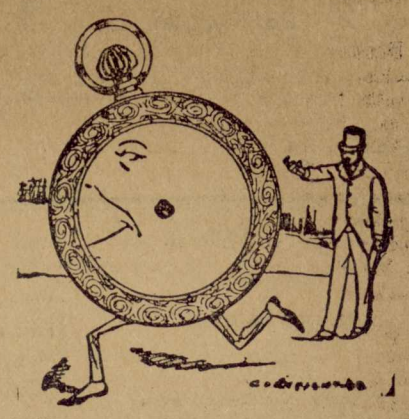

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

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F. F. Crowe, Sec'y.

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On account of our printer being sick we are a little short of news this week.

C. C. Vandegrift has had his store house repainted.

Clifton Newton made a business trip to Blocton this week.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

Mrs. Parker, of Columbiana, was a visitor to our town Monday.

Misses Nettie Ellis, Wilna Carlton and Nellie Wallwork are spending a few days with home folk at Blocton this week.

Mr. Summersgill, of Phœnix City, paid his daughter, Miss May, a visit this week.

D. W. Shivers has taken charge of Bowden & Morgan's livery stable.

W. S. Cary, Esq., is in Columbiana this week on legal business.

J. J. Little, Esq., of Blocton, spent last Sunday in Montevallo, being a guest of his son, the editor of the News.

Miss Matlee Phelan, of Waterbury, Conn., spent Saturday in Montevallo, visiting relatives. She will be in our town for a month during the summer, and her many friends will look forward to her coming with great delight.

The young ladies of the dressmaking department have earned over $200 this session. They will finish a very fine dress this week for a Mrs. Tompkins, of Montgomery.

The date of the meeting of the county convention has been changed from Tuesday, March 8th, to Monday, March 7th.

Mr. Howard Thomas, who has been with the engineering corps of the Blocton branch of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, spent Tuesday in our town.

Capt. Reynolds is receiving letter in every mail from patrons of the school, saying their daughters are ready to return to school when he thinks it is safe for them to do so.

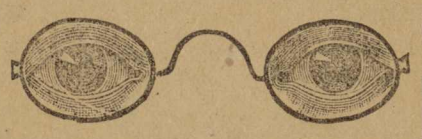
Messrs. E. P. Phillips and Columbus Gentry, of Blocton, were in town a short while Tuesday, en route home from Montgomery, where they had been to enter some land.

Dr. E. A. Wilson, dentist, of Birmingham, will be in Montevallo from March 9th to 12th, to practice his profession.

During these hours of vaccination we all are having to come to the "scratch."

We realize this week that a soft road is hard to travel.

David Ward, the lucky gold miner, who brought back the news of a rich find of gold on the American side of Alaska, and who says that the rush next spring will be far down the Yukon on the American side, spent three years prospecting in Alaska, and in that time only received seven letters from home. Since his return he has had more than that many thousands of letters from would-be argonauts in three months. He is now in Philadelphia, Pa., and tries to answer every inquiry concerning the Far North, its perils, rigors of climate and wonder fu riches. His practical experience makes his advice highly valuable, and anyone interested in Alaska should avail themselves of his knowledge by writing to him.



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COMMITTEE CALL

MEETING OF DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SHELBY COUNTY.

The following call is for a meeting of the Democratic executive committee of Shelby County, on Monday, March 7, at Columbiana:

A meeting of the Democratic executive commitee of Sheby County Alabama, is hereby call to be held in Columbiana on Monday, the 7th day March, 1898. A full attendance is urgently requested, as business of importance will be transacted.

W. B. Browne,
Chairman.

The following is a list of the committee by beat:

Beat 1—W. H. Bell, J. D. S. Shirley, P. B. Harrell.
2—N. N. Mosteller, J. N. Carden, I. P. Vinson.
3—W. D. Huggins, S. H. Gist, S. T. Bristow.
4—E. S. Lyman, W. B. Reynolds, R. L. Rice.
5—John Harmon, James Doss, J. M. Waddell.
6—E. Ruffin, J. L. Tucker, Robert Marshal.
7—C. P. McLane, J. B. Adams, H. A. McClinton.
8—W. A. Wilder, J. W. Shaw, Thos. Lester.
9—J. H. Weldon, J. F. Pope, J. J. W. Taylor.
10—T. J. Martin, C. H. Florey, W. N. Moss.
11—J. W. Moore, F. M. Walton, O. S. Lybrand.
12—N. H. Ross, Earl Cross, Sam Dunnaway.
13—J. C. Farley, A. J. Deshazo, C. T. Lee.
14—W. H. Collins, J. M. Babb, S. M. Goodwin.
15—R. M. Hollis, Chas. Bradshaw, J. H. Gill.
16—E. P. Chandler, C. F Elliott, J. J. Burks.
17—J. W. McWhorter, R. M. Acton, Taylor Farrell.

A RARE TREAT.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

February 20th: Officers and eachers present, 16; scholars present, 144; total, 160: on roll, 210; visitors, 4; collection, $2.00.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

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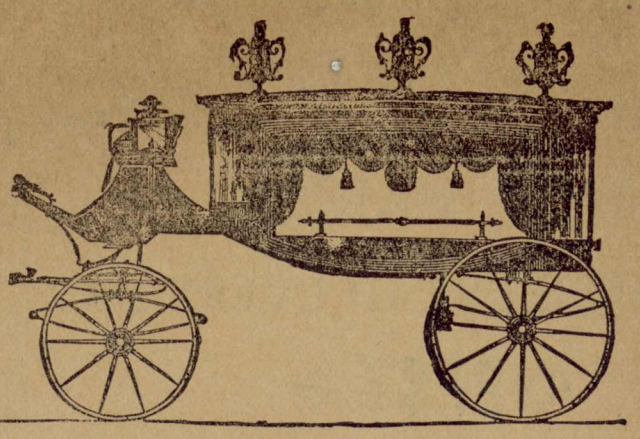

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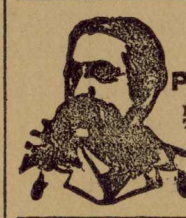

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THAT RESTLESS FEELING.

Mighty restless feelin' in the country round-about;
Lookin' ever' minute fer the war ter thunder out;
Ever'thing uncertain from the mountains ter the sea—
But that's a blame sight better'n the war itself 'ud be!

Shippin' shot an' powder on the trains a-passin' through;
Throwin' up the breastworks (an we're needin' ot 'em, too!)
Ever'thing suspensive an' on tip-toe fur an' free;
But that's a blame sight better'n the war itself 'ud be!

Stocks a'risin'—fallin', with the news the wires bring—
Telephones a-goin', with a everlastin' ring!
Ever'body anxious, from the mountains ter the sea;
But anxiousness is better'n the war itself 'd be!

Folks says that ef she's comin' let her hurry up an' come;
Let the rifles ring their message—beat the stuffin' out the drum!
But I still hol' ter the doctrine, in this country o' the free,
Suspense is ten times safer'n the war itself 'ud be!

—Atlanta Constitution.

A JUDICIAL STUDY OF SPAIN

An English Survey of the Government, the Army, the Navy—Misrule, Incompetence and Corruption Everywhere.

From the Current Number of Blackwood's Magazine.

We may hear the question put whether Sagasta can save Spain. The task would be an easy one indeed if this typical Southern parliamentary politician could achieve it. From the day that he appeared in public life as a raging "progressive," only to prove when he did attain office that he could govern by all the brutal methods of Narvaez, till now, Don Braxedes Mateo Sagasta has never made or married anything. To float into office, to settle nothing, to let "the solution" come of itself—these have been his methods in all times.

Now he is old—he was born at Torrecilla de Comeros in 1828—and in bad health. Much of his time is passed in bed. It would be strange if the "dregs of life" of this Southern parliament man were to supply Spain with what "the first sprightly running could not give." The question is whether Spain will be lost though Sagasta fail to the utmost. There is no reason why she should.

In this century she has lost all her colonies on the mainland of America. Between 1820, the date of Riego'a rising, and the conclusion of the last Carlist war in 1876, she went through more than half a century of civil war and military agitation. Yet to day the population is probably twice what it was ninety years ago, and the material wealth of the nation very much greater. The loss of Cuba, and even another period of domestic disorder, would probably be more fatal than were the revolt of possessions which once stretched from New Mexico and Texas to the Tierra del Fuego, the insurrection of 1820 and all its long train of consequences, the French intervention, the endless conflicts of Liberales with Serviles and Apostolicos, of Christinos with Carlistas, the pronunciamientos, and all the series of confused conflicts which have made up the outward political history of Spain in this century.

On one condition it might even be the contrary of a disaster. If the loss of the Pearl of the Antiles aroused Spaniards at last to a sense of the need there is for them to alter their views of the relations which should exist between themselves and their government, the uses of adversity will be sweet.

The Spanish Navy contained a number of vessels, some built abroad and others constructed by an English firm, which has been induced, at an enormous cost to the country, to establish a yard at Bilbao. On paper it looked well, but its real condition was revealed by the loss of the Reina Regente.

This vessel, a fine new cruiser which was reported to have made nineteen kdots an hour on its way out to Spain from Glasgow, was lost when coming back from Tetuan, where she had gone to land the Moorish Ambassadors. It is universally believed that she upset because she was not sufficiently ballasted.

Her captain had warned the authorities that unless she was filled up with coal she would be unstable. Yet the dock-yard at Cadiz was so poor in this indispensable part of the stores of a modern fleet that the Reina Begente was sent out with just as much coal as would take her to the African coast and back again.

On her way home she ran into a gale, and now she lies at the bottom of the sea with all her crew.

Her story is, as Carlisle would have said, significant of much. Behind whatever show of strength a Spanish Government may make on paper there is the want of something else, be it stores, or training for its men, or even men themselves, which is needed for efficiency.

By the nature of things the army is a more real force than the navy. The command of some army is a necessary condition for the existence of any government in Spain. Therefore it is to a cetain extent a real force. It may even be allowed that not a little has been done to improve the quality of the Spanish Army.

Still, when the call for more soldiers came from Cuba there were not trained men enough to send without leaving the mother country destitute of troops. It was necessary to call out masses of conscripts and send them. The disciplined men were kept at home "para lo que occurierie" (in case anything should happen). It was the quintos, the unpracticed conscripts, who were sent. Indeed, so little had the Spanish Government availed itself of those eighteen years of peace to put its armaments in order that its soldiers were still armed with the Remington.

Here again we have another example of that want of foresight in preparation which condemns the Spaniards "to improvise all" at the eleventh hour.

Given now a country which endures its Government as a necessary evil, in which there is no governing class, no strong dynasty, and where there are no common principles of action, impose upon it a constitutional machinery which the vast majority of the people do not understand, and what is likely to ensue? Nothing can ensue except the rule of the brigand masquerading as soldier, and the "attorney species"—the intriguers and talkers.

There are limits to the evil they can do. As the despot is limited by assassination, so the mere parliamentary intriguers can be limited by fear of the murderous wrath which will burst out when human nature is driven too far. Therefore, in the scuffling of kites and crows which make up Spanish parliamentary history, the parties take care, more or less well, to make it possible for the people to live, to multiply and to attend to their private affairs.

With no governing class, no intelligent and powerful monarchy and no principles of policy, there can be no government in the higher sense of the word. The utter exhaustion of the country after the miserable welter o 1868-1876, the docility of Alfonto XII, the great tact and high personal character of the Queen Regent, a daughter of the Archduke Albert, with all the ruling faculty of her house, have given Spain twenty years of peaceful anarchy.

But they have not given, and could not give, good government and thrift in the management of the public fortune, timely preparations against dangers, the removal of those administrative vices which have paralyzed the Spanish Army and been the immediate cause of the loss of colonies.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Dr. Givhan is visiting in Georgia.

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The land bill will be likely to pass.

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School will re-open on the 21st of March.

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The Dormitory has been thoroughly fumigated.

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The clover on the college campus is doing excellent.

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Miss Lucy Saunders is doing nicely, and will be well soon.

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Some of the girls are still here waiting for school to begin again.

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All danger is now over—Dr. Givhan is well, Miss Fuller is safe, and Miss Lucy Saunders has a very mild attack.

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President Reynolds thinks the railroads will make concessions, so it won't cost the girls anything to return.

CLOSED POLLS—OPEN SCHOOLS.

Yesterday morning the Mercury attempted to show that popular suffrage limited by an educational qualification would not only leave the selection of officers and the enactment of laws in more competent hands at present, but would also prove an incentive to those disqualified by ignorance to improve their mental condttion and prepare themselves to enjoy the full rights and privileges of citizenship. In an open letter to the constitutional convention of Louisiana, now assembled at New Orleans, Booker T. Washington, one of the greatest leaders and teachers of the negro race, advises closing the ballot-box and opening the school house. His argument is as follows:

"The negro agrees with you that it is necessary to the salvation of the South that restriction be put upon the ballot. I beg of you further, that in the degree that you close the ballot box against the ignorant that you open the school house. More than one-half of the people of your State are negroes. No State can long prosper when a large percentage of its citizenship is in ignorance and poverty, and has no interest in government. Let the very best educational opportunities be provided for both races; and added to this the enactment of an election law that shall be incapable of unjust discrimination, at the same time providing that in proportion as the ignorant secure education, property and character, they will be given all the rights of citizenship."

Booker Washington is an observant man; he knows that hundreds of negroes vote in every county in Alabama, without even a semblance of an idea of the issue involved; he also knows that such ignorance is a menace to good government, and merely lifts his voice in the interest of his people and his State. The contention that an educational qualification will stimulate all classes to a higher conception of the duties of citizenship is true beyond cavil. It is as true of one race as of the other. The boys will understand from their first entrance in school that a certain standard of education must be attained to carry with it the rights of citizenship, and pride will induce them to reach the coveted goal. When the desired end has been attained, their ambition for higher degrees will have been aroused and what might have been an ignorant man, will grow to useful citizenship. Limited suffrage is desirable from a political standpoint, and will eliminate a most dangerous element from the voting classes in Alabama, but it is ten times more desirable from an educational standpoint.—Huntsville Mercury.

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Montevallo is one of the most prosperous little cities in Alabama. Its business enterprise and tireless energ have become too well known to need extended mention. It is the trading centre of a large area of thickly populated territory, and is the junction of the Southern railroad, which gives unexcelled facilities for transportation. Four regular passenger trains stop at the depot daily, running in every direction.

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How about lighting the streets?

Montevallo ought to be inc r-porated.

Montevallo is certain to boom this summer.

The republicans held a convention at Calera Tuesday.

Things are not as bad as some seem to think. Montevallo is not dead by any means.

There is a good deal of war talk just at present. Severat of our young men would like to try war for awhile at least.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Democratic executive committee of Shelby County, held in Columbiana on Monday, March 7th, 1898.

RESOLVED, 1st:—That a convention of the Democratic party is hereby called to meet at the court house in Columbiana on Wednesday, April 13th, 1898, for the purpose of nominating candidates for probate judge, circuit clerk, representative, superintendent of education and two commissioners, and two delegates to the State judicial and chancery convention and to transact such other business as may properly come before it.

RESOLVED, 2d:—That beat meetings or primaries as each beat may determine, be held on Saturday, April 9th, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to said county convention, and that all conservative voters, irrespective of past political associations as differences who can unite with us in the economical and constitutional government, and will support the nominees and principles in said beat meeting or primaries.

RESOLVED, 3d:—That delegates to the Congressional convention will be selected by a convention to be hereafter called by the chairman of the Democratic executive committee of said county.

W. B. BROWNE, Chairman,
J. T. LEEPER, Secretary.

J. G. Moore, of Blocton, will represent Bibb and Perry in the next legislature.

The smallpox scare has vanished, and everybody is now wondering why they were so scared.

The government seems to be raising more Cain about the killing of Baker, the South Carolina negro postmaster, than about the 250 men who were killed on the Maine. Every Southern man regrets to have such things as the killing of Baker occur.

BLOCTON.

All of the mines are running full time.

Quite a number of people are sick with colds.

Rev. T. B. Dison visited Montgomery this week.

The Blocton News-Herald has suspended publication.

Mr. Burgess Little, editor of the Montevallo News, was in town Sunday.

Mr. Henry Jackson spent two days this week on his place near British.

Mr. Clifton Newton, of the Montevallo News, was a visitor to our town last week.

Messrs. Curry and Caldwell are thinking of starting a paper soon. Blocton needs a good paper.

Mrs. G. D. Mitchell, of McCulley Town, has been quite sick for the past two weeks, but is better now.

It seems that Mr. J. G. Moore will have no opposition for the senate. Mr. Moore is one of Bibb's most popular men, and will no doubt receive the nomination.

Capt. W. O. Hill, who has been agent of the Southern railroad at this place for a number of years, has resigned, and will go into the laundry business. His friends are glad to know that he will not leave Blocton.

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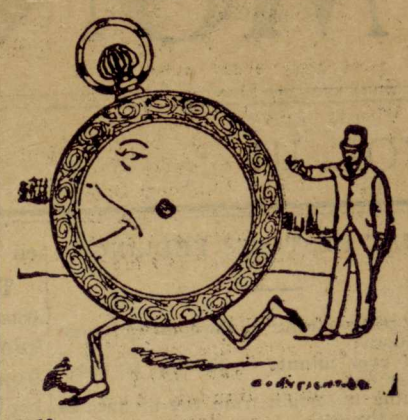

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LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

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LOCAL.

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We are glad to see Bro. Abernathy back again.

The editor visited his parents at Blocton Saturday.

President Reynolds visited Montgomery this week.

Have you seen Meroney's spring suits? They are daisies.

Miss Louise Alston left for home in Clayton, Ala., Monday.

Mr. Jack Hayes, of Avondale, visited friends in the city last week.

Mr. George Kroell made a business trip to Birmingham Monday.

Several of our citizens went to Calera Tuesday to hear Bryan speak.

WANTED—In case of war, a substitute. Rev. Dr. Jesse Underwood.

Mrs. Babb left last Friday for Birmingham, to be gone a few days.

Dr. Crowe and Mr. John Fancher attended a meeting at Calera Monday.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Miss Sophia Fitts left for home in Franklin, Tenn., last Saturday night.

Dr. Wilson, of Birmingham, is in town this week, ready to work on teeth.

Newton & Nolen's market has suspended business until the girls return.

Hon. Mims Walker, of Faunsdale, Ala., spent Tuesday with his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Reynolds.

Mr. J. M. Martin returned from Talladega last week. Mr. Martin is not afraid of smallpox.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

Miss Mary Kroell, who has been visiting for several weeks in Birmingham, returned home last Friday.

Take your scissors to Felix Dotson when you want them sharpened. Satisfaction guaranteed, or no money.

The blow nearly killed father because he bought his goods before learning the prices at the new Racket Store.

Subscribe for the News.

Messrs. Pritchard, McMath and Moore, who have been in Birmingham for several days, have returned home.

Mrs. S. A. Latham left Wednesday morning for Ensley, where she will spend some time with her son, Dr. Latham.

President Reynolds has a great many letters from girls who say they will be here on the 21st inst. to resume their studies.

There will be hot times in the old town if you fail to tell your wife about all the pretty things at the Racket Store.

Morgan Bros. have just received a nice line of sporting goods, fishing tackle, baseball goods, etc. Call and see them.

Miss Ada Dill will open a dressmaking establishment on Monday, the 14th inst., over B. F. Crabbe's new Racket Store.

Mesdames S. J. Morgan and E. D Reynolds, of Blocton, spent Tuesday in Montevallo with their sister, Mrs. W. B. Reynolds.

J. J. Little, Esq., of Blocton, was in town Tuesday, and was among the number who went to Calera to hear Hon. W. J. Bryan.

"Uncle" John Pynor, the veteran shoemaker, left Tuesday afternoon for his home at Stauton, where he will remain for at least fifteen or twenty days.

Mr. R. B. Crabbe, of Dadeville, has opened one of the nicest stocks of goods ever brought to Montevallo. Mr. Crabbe has leased Mr. Vandegrift's store house for two years.

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Dr. Sanders, the State Health Officer, came to Montevallo Saturday last at the request of President Reynolds, to examine into the smallpox situation and to ascertain as to a suspicious case that the physicians had been unable to diagnose. Dr. Sanders made a thorough and careful examination, and pronounced that the school could open without any difficulty whatever on the 21st inst., and that the case in question could not be considered smallpox, and if varioloid it was the mildest type he had ever seen. He unhesitatingly gave it as his opinion that there was no danger whatever in reassembling the school on the 21st inst.

Delightful Entertainments.

During the week the young people have been doing themselvs proud in the social realm. Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Shivers entertained quite a number of young people and it is useless to say that all present enjoyed themselves, as Mr. and Mrs. Shivers are favorites among all the young people.

On Wednesday evening Miss Maud Reynolds, assisted by her cousin, Miss Gena Brown of Mobile, and Miss Joana McCoy Frances of Chicago, entertained friends at her father's residence. Different games were indulged in, but the principal feature of the evening was a sham auction and was quite a source of amusement. Mr. Sam Allen acted auctioneer to perfection.

The following couples partook of the bounteous repast which was arranged for them just at the head of the stairs :

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Pat McConaughy and Miss Nan Pickett, A. J. Lee and Viola Reynolds, Edgar Cary and Miss Thomas, Nat Nabors and Miss Lucille Wilkinson, Burgess Little and Miss Ida Reynolds, T. K. Reynolds and Mrs. Hudson, Dr. E. A Wilson and Miss Lena Young, L. N. Bowden and Miss Maud Reynolds, S. S. Allen and Miss Stella Ramsey, Robert Fleming and Miss Eunice Latham, Harry Reynolds and Miss Gena Brown, S. P. West and Miss Ethel McMath, Miss Frances and Miss Dora Fonde.

At a seasonable hour all left, feeling under many obligations to their hostess for such an enjoyable occasion.

A moonlight ride to Aldrich is planned for tonight with Mr. and Mrs. W. B Reynolds as chaperons, assisted by Mrs. Florence Hudson.

INFORMATION WANTED.

My husband, J. J. Peacock, disappeared from Montevallo on the 19th of February. I have written everywhere I thought it likely he might go. Nobody has seen or heard of him. He is a low, thick set man, with dark eyes, dark skin, and hair now sprinkled with gray. He is a brickmason by trade. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts will do a deed of kindness by writing to his wife,

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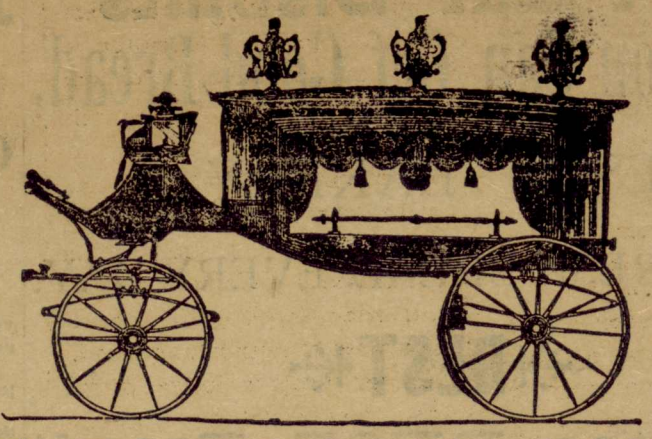

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THE SPIRIT OF NIGHT.

I met in a starless midnight a Spirit upon the way;
The blood of a brother was upon his hands—for God gave him power to slay.
He wandered wild o'er the world of men—chainless he went and came,
Yet lurked from light, with a brow of blight, in a scarlet robe of Shame.

He halted grim where a hovel's dim, drear light, like a lamp that gleams
In marble cities of Silence, where the dead are with the dreams,
Beat at the midnight blackness as a bird's wings beat the strife
Of the storm. And he stood where Hunger hugged the dying fires of life.

And the flame died out in darkness, and the life from starved lips fled
With the last cry they uttered to the Spirit's God, for bread.
With the last cry to heaven, that knows what its children feel,
But the voice of prayer was stifled 'neath the Spirit's iron heel.

And then, to the hills of Pleasure—to the violet, velvet vales,
Where Love was the breath of living and sang in the spicy gales;
And the cheeks of Love grew pallid, and his lips were white with fear,
And he gave him gyves and scarlet stripes, and a crown of thorns to wear.

And lo! where the organ-thunders shook the temple, towering high,
Whose cross of gold, cloud-cleaving, was lost in the misty sky,
The Spirit stood in Silence—scorned of the saintly train,
But a soul in his clasp grew crimson, and lay at the altar—slain.

But I pray to the God of the Spirit: "At thy great Last Day to be,
Let not this scourging Spirit stand 'twixt my own and me!
If now thou canst not chain him from wrecking the souls of men,
Let him not, like a flame of fire, blast Love in thy presence then!

"Tempted, we fall and perish. Yet thy world, O God, is sweet,
With the beautiful flowers of love, and the print of children's feet
Shall these go down in the tempest? Shall the Spirit of ancient sway
Take the babe from the breast of the mother—drown the prayers that thy children pray?

"At thy great Last Day remember: Thy world is the dream of thee;
Let not the Spirit of darkness stand 'twixt my own and me!
Or then—if, still all-prevailing, at his feet in the dark they moan,
Let me go with my loved ones walking, from thy face to the Night—with my own!"

—Atlanta Constitution.

THE WISE ADVISERS.

Recently in South Carolina the Rev. Richard Carroll, whom the Columbia States call the Booker T. Washington of its state, addressed 3,000 Sunday school workers at Sumter. He is a missionary of the American Baptist Publication Society. In the course of his speech he said:

The race is in too big a hurry. The preachers want the title of D.D. before they know divinity. Almost every graduate in the English course must be addressed as "professor." We want a biography before we have lived. Some want to take Latin and Greek who do not know a personal pronoun in English. Some want postoffices who do not know how many stamped envelopes to give for 11 cents. Go to the farm; stick to the farm; work on shares; rent or buy land. You should never come to town unless you have something to sell or exchange. Build better and larger houses. We shall never be the equal of other races unless we cease to live in one-room cabins and shanties. The home is the foundation of society, morality and religion. We do not want to govern the country until we learn to govern the home. The education of the negro race has been on the leap-frog style. The scholars want to make haste. Latin, Greek, French and German are taught at the expense of English. The masses should have industrial, mechanical and literary training. As we are a laboring people we must live by the sweat of our brow. Let us give the masses industrial education. What does a negro or white man want with classical education unless there are opportunities where he ean use it to advantage? Work, work, work; take up the hatchet and saw; follow the plow; push the plane. I see no good for you in politics, but I see plenty of harm. The colored population get excited every four years and many leave the farm to sit around and wait for office. Some have not worked since McKinley was made president, and their families are approaching starvation. Politics has ruined us and put us back many years. Live on friendly terms with the Southern white people. Help to run down and bring to speedy justice every man who commits criminal assault. Protect and defend all women with your life, and we will have a manhood among our race that we shall be proud of. In this way we can stop lynching. Watch the Germans and Jews and see how they toil and make money. They are not politicians, but workers and merchants. Hot-heads and fools will bring upon us shame, trouble and poverty. I dedicate all I have, mind, body, heart and soul to you and my God.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

It is to be hoped that the great interest which is being manifested by the press and people in improving the public school system in Alabama will result in securing free public schools to be taught for not less than eight months in the year.

This is what is needed for the children of Alabama, and what they must have if the masses are ever prepared by education to make the best possible citizens and to intelligently understand the great and important state questions with which they will be confronted when they reach the age when they are given the right of franchise.

but her great need now as a state is free public schools in every district in Alabama to keep open eight months during the year.

To secure such a public school system as is needed in Alabama, more public school money must be had, and this is the one thing for which the great majority of people are willing to be taxed.

The people are in earnest in their desire and efforts to improve the public schools in this state, and they should see to it that their efforts are expended this year in such practical manner as will secure the best possible results. They should see to it that men are elected to the general assembly who are willing fo co-operate in

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All the cities realize the importance of public schools, and in nearly every city in this country with a population of over three thousand, a free public school is to be found. This is as it should be; but it is more important that the free public school should exist in the rural districts than in the cities. In the cities, where the people are brought close together, it is much easier to maintain a good school without an appropriation than in the country districts.

Alabama needs to take care of her normal schools, her industrial schools, her agricultural school, her polytechnic college and her state university, the movement to secure better public schools and to raise Alabama from the low place which she now occupies in the columns of illiteracy.

The people of the state should not longer depend upon the teachers to handle the public school question alone, but the people who are interested in this great question should come to the rescue of the teachers, and the whole State of Alabama should be aroused on this question as never before, and should make, through mass meetings, state convention, or otherwise, such declarations as will impress the members of the next general assembly with the interest which the people feel in this question.

SCHOOL NOTES.

School will open Monday.

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Miss Fuller will be out this week. The nurse has returned to Birmingham.

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Arrangements have been made with the railroads for a one cent fare for the returning girls.

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The government marine corps with all of their appliances have been fumigating the Dormitory this week. Dr. Magruder has charge of the work.

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There will be a new department for the Spring Term. President Reynolds has bought a complete line of millinery, which will be used by the girls.

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President Reynolds sent cards to all the girls, asking them if they were coming back. He has received stacks of letters, telling him they will be here by the 21st.

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Dr. S. A. Steel to be in Montevallo April 2.

It is with no small pleasure that I announce the coming of the greatest Southern preacher and platform speaker. His theme is "Home Life in Dixie During the War." I am sure that Montevallo has never enjoyed such a treat as is in store for her people on the above date. It is my purpose to seek your instruction through this lecture, and at the same time to improve the opportunity to add to the church finances. School boys and girls will be admitted for 25 cents. All others 50 cents. We are anxious to give Dr. Steele a full house. You come to hear him—he will do the rest.

I give some newspaper clippings below. After hearing Dr. Steele you will endorse each statement:

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My husband, J. J. Peacock, disappeared from Montevallo on the 19th of February. I have written everywhere I thought it likely he might go. Nobody has seen or heard of him. He is a low, thick set man, with dark eyes, dark skin, and hair now sprinkled with gray. He is a brickmason by trade. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts will do a deed of kindness by writing to his wife,

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Thursday, Mar. 17, '98.

Montevallo is one of the most prosperous little cities in Alabama. Its business enterprise and tireless energy have become too well known to need extended mention. It is the trading centre of a large area of thickly populated territory, and is the junction of the Southern railroad, which gives unexcelled facilities for transportation. Four regular passenger trains stop at the depot daily, running in every direction.

Montevallo has a population of 1,200 and is steadily growing. It has the Alabama Polytechnic Institute for Glirs; four churches afiord ample opportunity for those who wish to worship; branches of the most important secret societies are fully organized: the people never go to sleep, but keep up the hum of business every day in the year. Montevallo is well fitted to make a home for all enterprising men and women seeking a location. All such are welcomed, and letters of inquiry are cheerfully and promptly answered.

THE NEWS is published every Thursday, and is entered at the Montevallo postoffiee as second class matter.

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News items are always gladly received, subject to the editor's pencil. Spicy news communications are requested from any neighborhood. Local news items are desired always.

School teachers, ministers and physicians are especially requested to notify us of all reports, announcements, incidents, etc., that are of local interest.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action oi the Democratic Convention.

D. R. MCMILLAN.

The condition of our navy and harbor defence show the truth of the old adage, "In time of peace, prepare for war."

With the $50,000,000 already appropriated, and the four or five hundred millions that are bound to follow, the increased pensions will put heavier taxation on the American people. The fire eaters should think of this.

While so many are hunting war, it would be well for some to look out for a few peaceful industries to help pay the increase of taxes sure to follow.

War may have a fascination for those who have never smelt burnt gunpowder; but those who participated in the late unpleasantness know that it is no picnic.

M. F. Gardner, of Centreville, one of Bibb county's most prominent business men, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded on last Friday evening late by his oldest son, Fred. Family trouble led to the difficulty. Mr. Gardner has many friends in Shelby county, who will regret to hear of this unfortunate occurrence.

In this issue of the NEWS will be found the announcement of Judge D. R. McMillan for re-election to the office of probate judge, subject to the action of the Democratic convention. Judge McMillan is the present incumbent, and has filled his office very satisfactorily to the people of Shelby county. If nominated, we will do all in our power to elect him.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Call by the Committee and Basis of Representation.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Democratic executive committee of Shelby county, held in Columbiana on Monday, March 7th, 1898:

Resolved 1st, That a convention of the Democratic party is hereby called to meet at the courthouse in Columbiana, on Wednesday, April 13, 1898, for the purpose of nominating candidates for probate judge, circuit clerk, representative, superintendent of education and two commissioners, and to select delegates to the State, judicial and chancery conventions, and to transact such other business as may properly come before it.

Resolved 2nd, That beat meetings or primaries as each beat may determine, be held on Saturday, April 9th, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to said county convention, and that all conservative voters irrespective of past political associations or differences, who can unite with us in the effort for pure, economical and constitutional government, and who will support the nominees and principles of the Democratic party are invited to participate in said beat meetings or primaries.

Resolved 3d That delegates to the Congressional convention be selected by a convention to be hereafter called by the chairman of the Democratic executive committee of said county.

Resolved, That each beat shall be entitled to one delegate to said county convention for every 15 votes or fraction over 10 voted in said beat for the Democratic candidate for governor in 1896.

In conformity herewith the various beats will be entitled to the following representation in the county convention:

Beat 1 box 1	—Columbiana	9
1	2—Shelby	7
2	—Spring Creek	1
3	—Calera	10
4 box 1	—Montevallo	11
4	2—Gurnee	1
5	—Tylers	1
6	—Helena	4
7	—Elliottsville	4
8	—Yellow Leaf	2
9	—Wilsonville	8
10	—Harpersville	10
11	—Weldon	3
12	—Highland	2
13	—Bold Springs	1
14	—Vandiver	1
15	—Sterrett	1
16	—Vincent	5
17	—Pelham	3
18	—Dunnavant	1
Total		85

W. B. BROWNE, Chairman.
J. T. LEEPER, Secretary.

AN ENJOYABLE OCCASION.

On Tuesday evening after prayer services at the M. E. Church, a number of young people were delightfully entertained by Mrs. C. W. Cary. Charades and other innocent games were indulged in, the last being a poem on "Vaccination" by the entire party, each one writing a few lines on the subject. We give them below with author's name attached.

The following couples were present: S. S. Allen and Miss Ethel McMath; W. P. McConaughy and Miss Nan Pickett; Dr. Givhan and Miss Viola Reynolds; Mr. Breslin and Miss Ida Reynolds; O. W. Tinney and Miss Stella Ramsey; Ben Hoskins and Miss Eva Thomas; L. N. Bowden and Miss Diamond Sibley; Burgess Little and Miss Lucile Wilkinson; A. J. Lee and Miss Lena Young, and Messrs. Joe Hoskins and P. L. Abernathy.

The following is a sample from the would be poets and poetesses:

Although it is rather late,
I will advise you to vaccinate.
Stella Ramsey.

The doctor came too late
For me to vaccinate.
O. W. Tinney.

As a precaution I would urge you to vaccinate,
For great will be your sorrow when you find its too late.
A. J. Lee.

On the 21st of February great was the alarm,
And now as a result we all have a sore arm.
Lena Young.

I am sure I'd not equivocate, when I say to vaccinate
Is enough to make one hate
Every one whose grasp abates
Only when he hurts your arm.
P. L. Abernathy.

I was just vaccinated to keep from going home,
But I'd rather have the smallpox than this very painful arm.
Viola Reynolds.

The most painful form of scarifination
Is found in the art of vaccination.
Joe Hoskins.

Of all the ills that tongue can pen,
The saddest are, vaccinated I've been.
Ethel McMath.

If you wish to be "up to date,"
Roll up your sleeve and vaccinate.
S. S. Allen.

In the year 1898
Be sure you don't get up too late
To see the arms you vaccinate.
Ida Reynolds.

1898 is not too late to yaccinate.
Bowdon.

Vaccinations when they take,
Put a young lady in irritable state.
Givhan.

We feel in our pockets to find a match,
We feel in our sleeves and find a vaccination scratch.
Eva Thomas.

We hurt in every joint after using a vaccination point.
It is a pity in '98 that we have to vaccinate.
Burgess Little.

Being vaccinated is not fun,
Especially when you want to jump and run.
Diamond Sibley.

You ask me to write about vaccination, but you'll have to excuse me,
For if my horrible arm you could see,
You wouldn't blame me for not writing, a bit,
But let me (with my arms crossed) in silence sit.
Lucile Wilkinson.

What wakes me up ten times a night,
What causes me my friends to slight?
My vaccination.

What is it makes me groan with pain,
And makes me rise the day I heard the name?
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Oh! vaccination, turn me loose
I have no arm, but a good excuse.
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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

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Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

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F. F. Crowe, Sec'y.

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Sheriff E F. Vest, of Columbiana, was in town this week.

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Mrs. J. M. McConaughy is very sick from vaccination.

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M. W. Carlisle, of Talladega, visited friends here this week.

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The first picnic of the season—the week called road working.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

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J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Mrs. Alex. A. Wall has been quite sick the past week, caused from vaccination.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Editor F. W. Gist, of the Columbiana Chronicle, was a visitor to our town last week.

F. S Rice, representing the Jesse French Piano Co., Birmingham, was in town last week.

Hon. W. J. Bryan passed through Montevallo Tuesday afternoon en route to Selma.

To-night a delightful social will be given at the "St. George" by Mr. and Mrs. Wall.

Misses Mary and Kate Kroell have been sick for several days, the result of vaccination.

Plain girls will look beautiful if adorned with the ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

Misses Ada and Bettie Dill have opened a dressmaking parlor over the new Racket Store.

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Hon. J. G. Moore of Blocton, who will be the next Senator from Perry and Bibb counties, passed through Montevallo Tuesday.

The many friends of Miss Margaret McArdle are glad to learn that she will be among the number of girls who will return next Monday.

We are glad to welcome Dr. E. G. Givhan back to Montevallo. He returned Monday. He has been to Atlanta since getting well.

The roads are being worked this week. We notice several negroes on the road who swore off working. But we don't suppose they call that work.

Miss Mary Kroell was invited to spend a month at Washington, D. C., as a guest of Hon. W. F. Aldrich and wife, but had to decline for the present on account of vaccination.

Mr. James Savage, of Anniston, a brother of our townsman, Mr. D. C. Savage, has moved to Montevallo, and will make this his home. Mr. Savage is a prominent candidate for Secretary of State.

School will re-open Monday. The girls will begin to return this week. The Dormitory has been thoroughly fumigated, and President Reynolds has everything in readiness for the reception of the girls.

The News extends a hearty welcome in behalf of the people of Montevallo, to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Crabbe, and hopes their stay among us will be both happy and prosperous. Mr. Crabbe and wife are boarding at C. C. Vandegrift's.

Miss Callen, of Selma, is making several nice dresses for the ladies of Montevallo. She thoroughly understands the art of dressmaking, and will remain in Montevallo for some time. She can be seen at the residence of C. C. Vandegrift.

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E. G. Givhan and Miss Lena Young; A. J. Lee and Miss Viola Reynolds; Burgess Little and Miss Lucile Wilkinson; Mr. Thetford and Miss Ethel McMath; Joe Hoskins and Miss Diamond Sibley; Ben Hoskins and Miss Stella Ramsey; Pat McConaughy and Miss Nan Pickett; O. W. Tinney and Miss Ida Reynolds; Nat Nabors and Miss Eva Thomas; L. N. Bowdon and Miss McCoy Francis; S. S. Allen and Miss Wilma Saunders; Fred Reynolds and Miss Dora Fonde, and Mr. W. B. Reynolds.

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MAPLESVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. John Foshee were in town Saturday.

The "depot" on the M. & O. R. R. is being rapidly built.

Our prayermeetings and Sunday-school are improving to some extent.

Another new store is being erected. Maplesville will be quite a "city" yet.

Miss Tavie Savage, of Montevallo, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Foshee, of our town.

Mr. Lawrence is having a new gin house built, and is also having his new store house painted, which adds greatly to its looks.

George Holmes, a negro, was shot through the heart with a 38 calibre Winchester last Friday evening at 1 o'clock by another negro, name unknown. The murderer has not been captured. The cause of the killing is not known.

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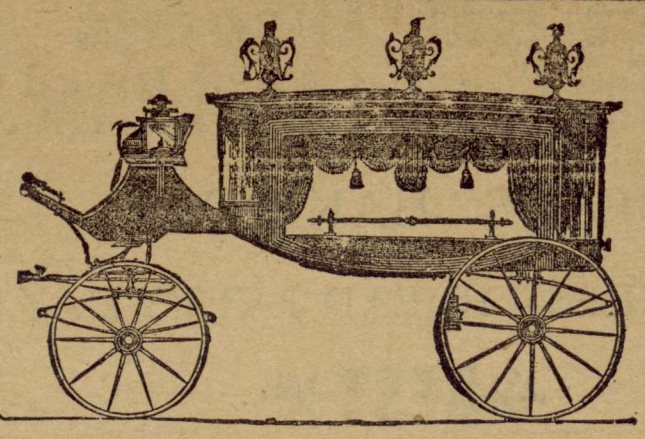

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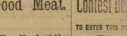

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SPECULATING ON IT.

I've allers been hearin' the Lord
Is a lover of peace, but I know
Whenever thar's battles ter fight,
Thar's lots er loud prayin' below!
An' ever' red sojer struts roun' in his pride,
A-sayin' he's shore that the Lord's on his side!

I know, 'fore the signal 'ud come
That 'twas time ter jump inter the fuss,
They'd tell us, the preachers at home
Sent word they wuz prayin fer us,
An' inter the enemy fearless we'd ride,
Believin' the Lord had took up with our side!

Now, I dunno just how it may be,
But I thought, 'fore I got my release,
That this here religion, called "free,"
Orter be a religion o' peace!
An' I think, when it's war, it is laid on the shelf,
An' the good Lord lets each side take keer o' itself!

—Atlanta Constitution.

List of Beat Health Officers Recently Appointed by the County Board of Health.

CALERA, ALA., March 12, 1898.

To the Doctors, Midwives and Heads of Families in Shelby County, Ala.:

Having been appointed and given bond as County Health Officer for this county as required by law, I ask the kind co operation of all good citizens in my work of getting full reports of all deaths and births occurring in this county at the end of each month. The law requires this of doctors and midwives if they are in attendance; if not the heads of families shall make the report, and in case of infectious or contagious diseases, reports must be made within twenty-four hours after the character of the disease is known by the doctor, midwife or head of family.

Reports of births, deaths and contagious or infectious diseases can be made to the County Health Officer, or to either of the following Assistant Health Officers, to-wit:

Beat No. 1—Columbiana, Dr. H. I. Williams, Columbiana.

Beat No 2—Spring Creek, Dr. H. C. McAdams, Shelby.

Beat No. 3—Calera, County Health Officer, Calera.

Beat No. 4—Montevallo, Dr. E. G. Givhan, Montevallo.

Beats 5 & 6—Tyler's and Helena, Dr. W. S. Hayes, Helena.

Beat No. 7—Longview, Dr. G. H. Smith, Pelham.

Beats 8 & 11—Yellow Leaf and Weldon, Dr. B. M. Smothers, Weldon.

Beat No. 9—Wilsonville, Dr. J. B. Boyer, Wilsonville.

Beat No. 10—Harpersville, Dr. T. G. Nelson, Harpersville.

Beats 12 & 13—Highland and Bold Springs, Dr. J. M. B. Johnson, Highland.

Beat No. 15—Sterrett, Dr. J. J. DuBose, Sterrett.

Beat No. 16—Kelly's Creek, Dr. E. P. Chandler, Vincent.

Beat No. 17—Pelham, Dr. E. F. Denson, Pelham,

Beats 14 & 18—Vandiver and Dunnavant, Dr. J. P. Abercrombie, Vandiver.

Yours very truly,
J. H. GUNN, M. D.,
Health Officer for Shelby county, Ala.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

At a meeting of the Board of Health of Shelby county, held Monday of last week, the following rules and regulations were adopted:

Be it resolved, by the Board of Health of Shelby county, That the following rules and regulations be adopted for management of all contagious and infectious diseases, occurring in this county:

1st, That physicians should be required to report within twenty-four hours, after diagnosis is made, all contagious or infectious diseases occurring in their practice; and if there is no physician in attendance, then it shall devolve on the head of the family in which the contagious disease occurred to report to the county health officer, or to one of his assistants.

Rule 2nd, That county health officer, or any of his assistants, receiving such report, shall proceed:

1st, To remove the infected person to a place where proper care can be given, and where the public shall be free from danger. But if the person infected is in such a condition as would make a removal dangerous, the county health officer or his assistants shall proceed to remove all well persons from the vicinity of the infected person, and if it is a case of varioloid or smallpox, all persons who have been in the vicinity shall be vaccinated without delay, and any health officer or assistants where vaccination is refused is authorized to employ help and compel submission.

3rd, That as soon as practicable after the removal or recovery of the person afflicted by the contagious disease, the county health officer or one of his assistants shall see that the house occupied by the infected person is properly fumigated or disinfected, and that all articles of clothing and bed clothing are boiled for at least five minutes, and those articles of clothing or bed clothing that cannot be boiled be burned.

4th, That every physician or head of a family shall see that a yellow flag be kept over the door where a case of infectious disease exists.

Shelby County Medical Society in convention assembled, unanimously passed the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the Shelby County Medical Society do deplore the recent action of the county court of commissioners, and think that they made a mistake in not adopting the resolutions offered by county health officer. We do not believe they have acted in a manner best calculated to promote the welfare of the citizens of this county.

2. Resolved, That these resolutions together with Dr. Gunn's, be published in the county papers.

J. R. MORGAN, M. D.,
Sec. Med. Society.

CITIZENS' MEETING TO-NIGHT AT 7:30!

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SCHOOL NOTES.

There is not now a case of smallpox in Montevallo. How shall we keep it out? There never has been but one safe and certain remedy, and that is vaccination.

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The confidence displayed by the people of the State in this school is truly wonderful and inspiring to its managemrnt. Montevallo has put on new life, and everything looks brighter since the girls began to roll in on last Monday. About 225 are here now, and probably fifty more to come. By a united effort Montevallo is destined to be the most delightful and prosperous village in the State of Alabama. In two years we predict that a thousand girls will be in Montevallo taking advantage of this great and wonderful school. Mark our prediction.

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No citizen of Montevallo nor any other communiry can not afford not to vaccinate. We have the grandest school in the state of Alabama, if not the South. We have young ladies from the best families in the state. They have each and every one been vaccinated. Shall we as true men and women sit idly by and not take the same precaution? No, we can not afford it. Vaccinate and keep down the pest that is threatening the entire State, We are perhaps freer of smallpox than any other town of like size. The way to keep free of it is to thoroughly vaccinate every man, woman and child, black and white, in its borders. It is a duty we must perform. Let us then be up and doing.

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By far the most attractive feature ever introduced in the school here is the millinery department. On Tuesday last Miss Mollie Tall, of Baltimore, arrived to take charge and teach this fascinating branch of womens' work. Yesterday a large and complete stock of millinery goods arrived, and will be opened up today. An opening day is set for about Monday week. The public will be invited to attend. No profit is charged on the goods, as it is simply gotten up for the purpose of teaching the young ladies. Miss Tall, the milliner, comes from the celebrated house of Armstrong, Cator & Co, and they pronounce her one of the finest they have ever sent out. An opportunity is thus given not only to encourage the girls, but to purchase spring hats at less prices than ever seen before.

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The gathering together of so many pupils at the Girls' Industrial School is the greatest triumph that could have possibly been achieved. We owe much to the liberality of the Southern and L & N. R. R., whose officers granted without a word a return rate of one cent per mile to the pupils. These two great thoroughfares of travel should not be forgotten. They have been our friends—and true friends. They appreciate what is being done in Montevallo. The eyes of the entire State are turned upon us. Shall we prove ourselves true to the grand trust that has been placed in our midst? The Girls' Industrial School promises great things for Montevallo if we show that we are able and willing to foster and properly protect its pupils. We can not do it if we allow a solitary person in this community to go unvaccinated. If you have not been vaccinated, you are a stumbling block in Montevallo's future growth and prosperity. Vaccinate NOW.

THE WEEKLY NEWS,

MONTEVALLO, ALA.

MONTEVALLO PUBLISHING COMPANY,

PUBLISHERS.

CLIFTON NEWTON, EDITOR.

Entered at the postoffice at Montevallo, Ala., as second-class mail matter.

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Thursday, Mar. 24, '98.

Montevallo is one of the most prosperous little cities in Alabama. Its business enterprise and tireless energy have become too well known to need extended mention. It is the trading centre of a large area of thickly populated territory, and is the junction of the Southern railroad, which gives unexcelled facilities for transportation. Four regular passenger trains stop at the depot daily, running in every direction.

Montevallo has a population of 1,200 and is steadily growing. It has the Alabama Polytechnic Institute for Glirs; four churches afiord ample opportunity for those who wish to worship; branches of the most important secret societies are fully organized: the people never go to sleep, but keep up the hum of business every day in the year. Montevallo is well fitted to make a home for all enterprising men and women seeking a location. All such are welcomed, and letters of inquiry are cheerfully and promptly answered.

THE NEWS is published every Thursday, and is entered at the Montevallo postoffiee as second class matter.

The subscription price is only $1.00 per year, 50 cents for six months, and 25 cents for ihree months. All subscriptions payable in advance.

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Any subscriber who gets us five new subscribers for one year will have his own subscription extended one year. The names need not all be sent in at once, but may be sent in one at a time. Show The News to your neighbors and take their subscriptions.

News items are always gladly received, subject to the editor's pencil. Spicy news communications are requested from any neighborhood. Local news items are desired always.

School teachers, ministers and physicians are especially requested to notify us of all reports, announcements, incidents, etc., that are of local interest.

Regular correspondents are desired in every town and community within fifteen miles of Montevallo. Write for terms and instructions to correspondents.

Short articles on subjects of interest can frequently be used. Articles dealing with politics, religion or personalities are not available for our use.

Anonymous communications will not be noticed. Sign your name. It will not be puplished unless you desire it. Write on one side of the paper only, and be careful in giving the names and dates to have the letters and figures plain and distinct.

Advertisers are reminded that The News is one of the best advertising mediums in Alabama, and its circulation reaches a splendid field of well-to-do buyers. Our rates are very low and are alike to all.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action oi the Democratic Convention.

D. R. MCMILLAN.

It is estimated that over two millions of silver dollars that never saw a United States mint, are in circulation in this country. These dollars are pure silver and are full weight. The profit in coining them is in buying silver bullion at 53 cents and selling it at 100 cents. This is caused directly from the single gold standard this country has adopted, and some one is the loser. Figure it out,

Mr. Burgess Little has resigned his position as editor of the NEWS on account of his banking business, being unable to give his time to the editorial work of the paper.

With this issue I resume charge of the editorial work of the NEWS, and ask the hearty support of my friends. The policy of the paper has always been to build up Montevallo and the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. I intend to pursue a neutral course. My motto is: "Anything that will benefit Montevallo."

CLIFTON NEWTON.

John A. T. Hull introduced a bill that practically quadruples the standing army. The new strength is to be 12,000 cavalry, 16,000 artillery and 75,000 infantry.

The new fleet at Hampton Roads can either act on the offensive or defensive in case of war, and will be of incalculable service as the northern coast would have been without a battleship.

The entire world has been surprised at the rapidity in which the American people have turned a defenseless coast into harbors protected with the very latest and most powerful guns and almost impregnable forts.

Isaac H. Vincent, ex treasurer of the State of Alabama, and a part of whose history everybody is acquainted with, died at Palo-Pinto, Texas, and his remains were interred in the cemetery at LaFayette, Ala., on the 15th inst.

The order calling into existence the new flying squadron is considered as the most significant event of the day. The vessels that will form this squadron are the match of any five in the world, considering speed, protection and armament.

Rev. S. A. Steel, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., one of the most eloquent platform speakers in America, will deliver his famous lecture, "Home Life in Dixie During the War," at Montevallo April 2, at 7:30 p. m., in the chapel of the Girl's Industrial School. Admission 50 cents; school girls 25 cents. Go, you'll never regret it.

Senator Proctor, in his report before the senate, says: "Words cannot draw a picture of the horrors and suffering of the Cubans, huddled in the cities. Though considered reconcentrador, they were known to be insurgents at heart, and are kept inside the walls or under military surveilance, and from lack of employment and food are starving daily.

A few more scenes like that at Latimer, Pa., last summer, when a sheriff and a posse of deputised villains shot down a half hundred striking miners, and then be turned loose to re-enact the scene, will cause labor to keep their troubles out of law courts and settle their differences by right of might. The sheriff and his posse were only tools of mine barons, who stood behind them guaranteeing protection and paying for murder. It would be an improvement if American journalism would let France, with her zolas alone, and Russia's siberia freeze and criticize our own sins.

Subscribe for the News.

Bartolome Maso, president of the Cuban republic, to save further privation and bloodshed, has offered to buy the Island from Spain.

Secretary Long says there has been no concession made to Spain, and that nothing can occur which will change the attitude of firmness taken by this country.

The Holland, a submarine torpedo boat, in a series of tests on the 17th inst., proved to be a complete success, diving and reappearing at the will of the inventor.

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State of Alabama, Shelby County.

OSCAR WHITFIELD, et als Complainant, vs. ALABAMA IRON & STEEL Co. et als, Defendant. } In Chancery, Sixth District, North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of W. S. Cary, agent for complainants, that the defendants, Carrie S. Plumb, who resides in Emporia, State of Kansas; George I. Seney, resides in the city of New York, State of New York; M S. Pomeroy resides in the city of Washington, District of Columbia; Justus A. Morrill resides in the State of Vermont; Samuel Thomas resides in the State of Pennsylvania; C. S. Brice resides in the State of Ohio, and that the Central Trust Company has its place of business in the City of New York, State of New York, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the MONTEVALLO NEWS, a newspaper published in the city of Montevallo, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Carrie S. Plumb, George I. Seney, M. S. Pomeroy, Justus A. Morrill, Samuel Thomae, C. S. Brice, the Central Trust Company, a body corporate, to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 16th day of April, A. D., 1898. or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against them.

Done at office, in Columbiana, this 25th day of February, A. D., 1898.

J. R WHITE, Register.

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State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Probate Court, Regular Term, March 14, 1898.

Estate of David, Leta, Manly, Zelma, Loa, George and Mandy Earrington, minors.

This day came Wm. C. Farrington, as Guardian of said estates, and filed his application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands described therein and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of maintenance and education of said minors, upon the ground that their income is not sufficient for their maintenance and education without a sale of said property.

It is ordered that the 11th day of April, 1898, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same, if they think proper.

D. R. MCMILLAN, Judge of Probate.

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

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LOCAL.

Hot times in the old town last week.

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Mr. Walter Cary is in Columbiana on legal business.

Judge Campbell, of Calera, was in the city Sunday.

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Circuit court convened at Columbiana Monday morning.

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Hon. T. S. Plowman, of Talladega, was in town last week.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Quite a number of our citizens are attending court this week.

The News extends a hearty welcome to all the school girls.

Newton & Nolen want to buy several head of fat beef cattle.

Montevallo looks lively again since the return of most of the girls,

J. M. Reynolds, Esq, is attending court at Columbiana this week.

Mr. Milner, of Birmingham, is in the city with a drove of mules.

Mrs. F. F. Crowe is visiting her parents at River Bend this week.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

Messrs. Tom and George Dunn, of Blocton, were in town Monday.

A good milch cow for sale cheap. Apply to Drs. Givhan & Wilkinson.

Attorney E. S. Lyman is in Columbiana this week attending court.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Plain girls will look beautiful if adorned with the ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

President Reynolds is having all of the young ladies in the school vaccinated. He wired the governor this morning for more vaccine poi

A complete line of slippers—chocolate, tan, and others too numerous to mention—at the Racket Store.

Take your scissors to Felix Dotson when you want them sharpened. Satisfaction guaranteed, or no money.

Mrs. J. B West died Wednesday morning. The News extends sympathy to the bereaved husband and relatives.

It is necessary that every man, woman and child, white and black, in Montevallo and vicinity should be vaccinated.

Newton Lawley brought a large otter to town yesterday. He says it was about half mile from any water when he killed it.

Don't fail to attend the citizens' meeting this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the News office. Business of importance. Everybody invited.

The pretty young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jemison, of Maylene, died Tuesday. The News extends sympathy to the bereaved parents.

Mr. Frank J. Kroell, manager of Kroell's livery stable, authorizes us to return thanks to the school girls for their liberal patronage on their return. Mr. Kroell has been in the livery business for eighteen years, and thoroughly understands it. He gives the school girls special rates.

(Telegram.)
Madrid, Spain, March 21.
Montevallo News:

After seeing in your last issue that Mr. W. L. Nolen had offered his services to the U. S Government, we have deemed it useless to think of going to war, and will pay any indemnity your government asks for.

SAGASTA,
Prime Minister.

Re-opening of the A. P. I.

Monday morning, 21st inst., the Girls' Industrial School re-opened with 225 pupils. Three weeks ago school disbanded on account of smallpox, President Reynolds thinking it best to send the giris home for 21 days after the last case developed. The opening Monday morning speak volumes for the good the school has done, and is still doing. Girls are coming in every day, and within a week there will be nearly one hundred more girls here. A millinery department has been added to the school, and a fine assortment of millinery goods has been ordered, and will be here in a few days. Miss Tall, one of the leading milliners of Baltimore, has just arrived, and will preside over this department. These goods will be sold at first cost, and are simply brought here for the use of the girls, Next week we will announce the opening day in the millinery department.

It's a Fact.

The first shipment of real high grade silverware ever received in Montevallo has just been opened at J. W. Martin's, and he cordially invites the public to see these goods. Can't be beat in the large cities Every piece guaranteed to be the highest grade of plated ware on the market. His prices are moderate, considering the quality, etc.

INFORMATION WANTED.

My husband, J. J. Peacock, disappeared from Montevallo on the 19th of February. I have written everywhere I thought it likely he might go. Nobody has seen or heard of him. He is a low, thick set man, with dark eyes, dark skin, and hair now sprinkled with gray. He is a brickmason by trade. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts will do a deed of kindness by writing to his wife,

Mrs. Lizzie Peacock,
Montevallo, Ala.
or Maylene, Ala.

☞ State papers please copy.

Rev. P. L. Abernathy delivered one of the finest sermons Sunday we ever listened to. He spoke the truth and told things in such a way that the most delicate would not be offended.

MAPLESVILLE.

David Garner seems unusually happy since the return of a Gurnee girl.

T. U. Crumpton paid Birmingham and other points a flying visit this week

T. E. Cooper looked very happy about something Sunday. Wonder why?

Some of our girls have the toothache quite often since Dr. DuBose's return.

Evil doors are beginning to look with awe upon the court room already.

Long live the school, all the girls, Capt. Reynolds, and also the Montevallo News.

Ed Sturdivant has opened up a restaurant here, much to the delight of transient railroaders.

The city hall and justice court are almost ready for occupancy. The squire will soon be O. K.

Miss Lillie Savage, of Montevallo, spent a portion of last week with her sister, Mrs. J. Foshee, near here.

Wonder what caused so many smiles on the usually stolid face of our assistant railway agent on last Sunday?

Our town has been graced by a visit from one of Montevallo's fairest daughters, to the delight of all the boys.

N. C. Graham was absent from our town Sunday evening. Wonder who he was smiling on, and where he went?

Walter Elam paid Selma a visit Monday. He had a cinder removed from his eye. Dr. Kirkpatrick was the oculist.

It seems as if spring is here, and winter will soon be a thing of the past, unless there turns up an unexpected blast.

Our prayermeetings are largely attended now. Last Sunday night the house was full. Bro. Fox conducted services.

Our boys have all watched the passenger trains very closely during the return to Montevallo of so many pretty school girls.

N. C. G. smokes incessantly now. He says it drives away the blues. Wonder what the blues are, and what causes them?

Dr. A. S. Woolley has quite a number of boarders now. The boys all know a good table when they see one, also a pretty girl.

The smallpox scare here is about over. There was only one case, though lagrippe and sore eyes have prevailed for quite a while.

Dr. J. A. DuBose is at home for the summer. The doctor made a good record during the session of 1897-8 at the Atlanta Dental College.

Maplesville has on hand a building boom. Two stores and a ginnery are about complete, and our new railway is now nearing completion,

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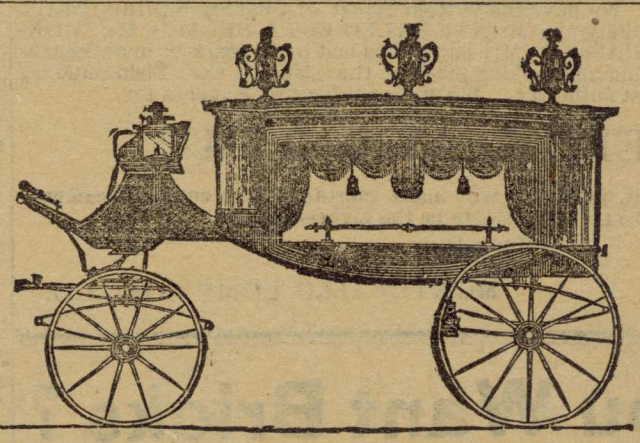

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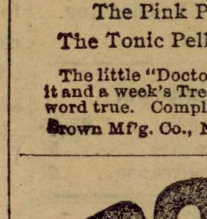

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MONTEVALLO NEWS.

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Who We Are,

—AND—

Where We Live!

Under this head we will from time to time endeavor to show some of the advantages Montevallo and the surrounding country possess, and the inducements offered to seekers after health and wealth,

Montevallo is the most central point in the State, and, as the name implies, is a valley surrounded by mountains, some of which are more than one thousand feet high, and are filled with coal, iron and lime. These mountains are also timbered with long leaf yellow pine, oak and hickory in the greatest abundance. The average elevation places us in that attitude that gives to us the year round those health-giving breezes so much desired by the brain worker. Springs of sparkling water and as pure as nature can make, flow from the mountains, the sun-lit skies and mountain breezes, so richly ladened with the odor from the pine forests; mountain and valley flowers give to us a climate unsurpassed and where it can be truly said God in His handiwork has blessed Montevallo. The natural drainage entirely precludes the idea of all forms of malarial diseases, and the rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes of our happy maidens, the strong limbed and resolute features of the men is positive proof of the health in this natural sanitarium.

The valley produces all forms of agriculture, and with proper attention rich returns are sure for the soil workers.

Peaches, apples, pears, grapes and strawberries thrive and bring forth abundant harvests. It is the natural home of all varieties of the vegetable kingdom, and grain of all classes thrive and the natural results are astonishing.

Our coal, iron and lime make us the equal of any section as a manufacturing centre.

Our railroad facilities equal many of the larger cities, and it is to be hoped that in the near future this will be increased by a branch of another great trunk line.

No tongue or pen can portray the many advantages possessed by this quiet and, for years, unassuming queen of coming cities, for we have the finest coal in the world, the finest lime in this country, the best of iron ore, the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, a splendid school for boys and young men, fifteen first-class business houses, a first-class bank, a handsome and well equipped new brick hotel, a good newspaper, a No 1 saw mill, a good grist mill, a woollen mill, a fertile valley, as fine timber as the world can produce, twelve hundred happy, industrious inhabitants, and a climate that is unequalled for its purity and health-giving qualities.

Our little city has taken on a natural growth that is healthy and vigorous, where all "boom" ideas are illuminated. Land can be bought at reasonable prices. Emigration of the better class is welcomed, and the hand of friendship is extended to all such.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Milk for Sale.

Sweet milk, 10 cents per quart, butter milk, 10 cents per gallon, at

MRS. D. W. SHIVERS'.

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Dr. Steel's Lecture April 2, in Chapel of A. P. I.

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Corsets, 22 cents and up.
Crochet Hooks, 1 and 2c
Tooth Brushes, 5 cents and up.
Erasers, each, 1c
Dress Ginghams. 6c
Crochet Silk, 5c, (old price 30c.)
Alarm Clocks, 75c
Boxed Paper, 8 cents and up.
Hair Brushes, 5 cents and up.
Darning Cotton, per dozen, 10c
Crochet Cotton, 4c
Gent's and Boys' Hats all prices.
3 papers of pins for 5c
High Cut Plow Shoes, full stock, $1.24
Hosiery your own price.
Harps, 3 cents and up. [body.
Gent's Underwear cheaper than any-
Whitewash Brushes, 12c

Shirts all prices.
Clothes Brushes, 11 cents and up.
Horse " 10 " " "
Machine Oil, 4c
Ink, (David's) 2 bottles for 5 cents.
Shoe Polish, 5 and 7c
Calicoes, per yard, 4 to 5c
Pearl Buttons, 5 and 6c
Oil Cloth, per yard, 13½c, 15 and 16½c
Watch and Charm, guaranteed, 98c
Fish Hooks, 100 for 5c
Gent's Collars, 9 to 11c
Gent's Link Cuffs, 15 and 20c
Kid Curlers, 4 cents and up.
Slates 2 cents and up.
Spool Thread, six cord, 3c
Purses, 4c and up.
Ladies' Vests, 5c and up.

Talcum Powders, 8c, old price, 25c.
Swan Down, 5c, regular price 10 cents
Picture Frames, 10 cents and up.
Safety Pins, 3c per dozen and up.
1 good Hand Saw, 36c
Parasols and Umbrellas, 25c and up.
Window Shades, 23 and 28c
Sheeting, (yard wide), 4½ and 5c
Tinware and Granite Ware 25 per cent below anyone.
Needles, per paper, 2c
Suspenders, 5c per pair and up.
Towels, 8c per pair and up.
Blacking, 2 10c boxes for 5 cents.
Blacking Brushes, 10c and up.
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New York Racket Store,

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Citizens' Meeting!

March 24th the Time.

The News Office the Place

7:30 P. M. the Hour.

At 7:30 o'clock last Thursday night quite a number of the leading citizens of our town assembled at the News office for the purpose of discussing the smallpox question and the importance of vaccination.

The editor of the News stated the object of the meeting, after which C. L. Meroney was elected chairman and A. J. Lee secretary.

Dr. D. L. Wilkinson offered a suggestion to post the town into six districts, and appoint a man for each district, whose duty it shall be to go from house to house and see that each family has been vaccinated within the past twelve months. Those who have been vaccinated and did not take, to be re-vaccinated, and those refusing to be vaccinated at all, must be reported to the health committee.

The above suggestion was then put into the form of a motion, which was carried, and resulted as follows:

1st district, S. A. Latham. All inhabitants, white and black, to the right of the Ashville road and to the left of Kroell's store.

2d district, Burgess Little. All inhabitants, white and black, to the right of Kroell's store, from Kroell's store to the railroad, up Main street to Rogan's store, and thence to the depot, and the inhabitants beyond the depot to the Wells estate.

3rd district, W. B. Reynolds. All inhabitants, white and black, from the Magnolia hotel to the depot, down by the spring, and on the opposite side of the creek on the right of the road to the depot.

4th district, C. L. Meroney. All inhabitants, white and black, from the spring to Reynolds' new store, and to the left of the Tuscaloosa road.

5th district, G. W. Morgan. All inhabitants, white and black, to the right of the Tuscaloosa road, to Vandegrift's store, thence to and including Mrs. Nabors' house.

6th district, F. F. Crowe. All inhabitants, white and black, to the left of the Ashville road, and those to the right of the road, running by Mrs. Nabors' residence and back to Kroell's store.

It will be the duty of these citizens to vaccinate all parties in their separate districts not having been successfully vaccinated within the past twelve months. The citizens and health committee will uphold them in this attempt.

A motion was offered by Dr. Wilkinson to appoint a committee of ten or twelve men to act as a board of health.

Motion carried, and the following-named gentlemen were appointed: H. C. Reynolds, Geo. Kroell, C. C. Vandegrift, H. S. Latham, C. W. Cary, W. S. Cary, E. G. Givhan, M. D., E. S. Lyman, J. L. McConaughy, J. W. Acker, M. D., Pat Kroell and D. L. Wilkinson, M. D.

A motion was offered by Capt. Reynolds that the chairman write to the people at Aldrich, telling them of the citizens' meeting here, and to ask Hon. W. F. Aldrich to use his influence in having all the people at Aldrich vaccinated.

The motion was carried.

The meeting then adjourned.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

March 27: Officers and teachers present, 13; scholars present, 102; total, 115; on roll, 210; visitors, 4; collection, $1.04.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

March 27: Scholars present, 124; scholars absent, 40; officers and teachers present, 18; officers and teachers absent, 2; total, 142. Collection, 71 cents.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. F. F. Crowe & Co.

INFORMATION WANTED.

My husband, J. J. Peacock, disappeared from Montevallo on the 19th of February. I have written everywhere I thought it likely he might go. Nobody has seen or heard of him. He is a low, thick set man, with dark eyes, dark skin, and hair now sprinkled with gray. He is a brickmason by trade. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts will do a deed of kindness by writing to his wife,

MRS. LIZZIE PEACOCK,
Montevallo, Ala.
or Maylene, Ala.

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THE WEEKLY NEWS,

MONTEVALLO, ALA.

MONTEVALLO PUBLISHING COMPANY,

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CLIFTON NEWTON, EDITOR.

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Thursday, Mar. 31, '98.

Montevallo is one of the most prosperous little cities in Alabama. Its business enterprise and tireless energy have become too well known to need extended mention. It is the trading centre of a large area of thickly populated territory, and is the junction of the Southern railroad, which gives unexcelled facilities for transportation. Four regular passenger trains stop at the depot daily, running in every direction.

Montevallo has a population of 1,200 and is steadily growing. It has the Alabama Polytechnic Institute for Glirs; four churches afiord ample opportunity for those who wish to worship; branches of the most important secret societies are fully organized: the people never go to sleep, but keep up the hum of business every day in the year. Montevallo is well fitted to make a home for all enterprising men and women seeking a location. All such are welcomed, and letters of inquiry are cheerfully and promptly answered.

THE NEWS is published every Thursday, and is entered at the Montevallo postoffiee as second class matter.

The subscription price is only $1.00 per year, 50 cents for six months, and 25 cents for ihree months. All subscriptions payable in advance.

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News items are always gladly received, subject to the editor's pencil. Spicy news communications are requested from any neighborhood. Local news items are desired always.

School teachers, ministers and physicians are especially requested to notify us of all reports, announcements, incidents, etc., that are of local interest.

Regular correspondents are desired in every town and community within fifteen miles of Montevallo. Write for terms and instructions to correspondents.

Short articles on subj cts of interest can frequently be used. Articles dealing with politics, religion or personalities are not available for our use

Anonymous communications will not be noticed. Sign your name. It will not be puplished unless you desire it. Write on one side of the paper only, and be careful in giving the names and dates to have the letters and figures plain and distinct.

Advertisers are reminded that The News is one of the best advertising mediums in Alabama, and its circulation reaches a splendid field of well-to-do buyers. Our rates are very low and are alike to all.

Our press room is open at all times to the pubilc. We have no figures to conceal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action oi the Democratic Convention.

D. R. MCMILLAN.

At Bessemer, on Sunday night last about 11 o'clock, the building occupied by the Bessemer Printing and Publishing company, the office of the Bessemer Weekly, of which Wm. H. H. Judson is the publisher, was destroyed by fire. Mr. Judson's loss was about four thousand dollars. He has ordered a new outfit, and his paper will appear as usual.

Southern cotton mills are selling their products to China and Japan.

The prosperity promised by Hanna and Dingley seems a long time coming.

It is estimated that there will be 3,000 miles of railroad built in the South this year.

The spring politician is here, and soon their reform schemes will be buzzed in every ear.

We rise to ask Mr. Dingley where is the prosperity promised with the introduction and passage of his tariff bill.

How the farmers can look for good prices this fall on cotton when the speculators are selling cotton now to be delivered in November for 5 cents, is beyond our range of comprehension.

Good roads are as important a factor to the upbuilding of a country as capital, and yet there is hardly a State in the Union that needs them worse than our own beautiful Alabama.

Another case of the careless handling of firearms comes from Talladega, when Walter Johnson, a lad 16 years old, shot and almost instantly killed his young sister, Lillian, last Saturday.

When the manipulators in the prices are agreeing to deliver cotton in November for 5 cents, will the cotton planter tell us where his money is coming from after his fertilizer bills and hired hands are paid?

Mr. Elias W. Fort, who lived about a mile from Marion Junction, and who was one of the most prominent and influential planters in Dallas county, dropped dead Monday morning after eating a hearty breakfast.

The Decatur Herald struck the keynote when it said: "If people would use the same diligence in spreading the good things they hear and know about people that they do in heralding every hint or rumor of bad, the world would be better off, and the tattler would have a surer chance of heaven."

SCHOOL NOTES.

Several new pupils have come in this week.

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Miss Ellen Abernethy is back in school again.

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Miss Mamie Patterson returned to the A. P. I. Monday.

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On Tuesday morning the enrollment had run up to 236 girls. This is a remarkable showing.

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Misses Anna May and Effie Burton write that they will soon be back in school. Miss Em Randolph will be here this week.

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We were shown some beautiful dresses in Mrs. Nelson's department this week. The material alone in one of these dresses cost $46.00.

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Mr. Sellers, of the firm of Sellers & Orum, cotton merchants, Montgomery, was a visitor to the school Tuesday. He wishes to purchase a lot and build a house for his sister-in-law, who will move here.

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President Reynolds is in receipt of a most cordial and complimentary letter from Col. H. C. Tompkins, of Montgomery, who is an enthusiastic admirer and well wisher of the school. He predicts great things for Montevallo.

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A newspaper in Montevallo is a necessity. No town ever thrived without one. Don't sit idly by and criticise the paper unless you lend a helping hand. If you have news don't suppress it, but let the editor know about it.

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As soon as the Spanish question is settled, Capt. Reynolds contemplates another trip to Washington to look after the land bill for the school. He will never let up until this land is secured. The passage of this bill means much for every inhabitant of Montevallo. Let us all hope for his success.

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The millinery department seems to be the most attractive feature ever added to the school. Miss Tall is certainly mistress of her profession. Misses Della Latham and Wilma Saunders have been employed as assistants. On next Monday, April 4th, there will be a grand opening in both the millinery and dressmaking departments. The ladies are all invited to be present. Orders have already been coming in for hats, and it is getting quite interesting for the girls who share in the profits of the department.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Call by the Committee and Basis of Representation.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Democratic executive committee of Shelby county, held in Columbiana on Monday, March 7th, 1898:

Resolved 1st, That a convention of the Democratic party is hereby called to meet at the courthouse in Columbiana, on Wednesday, April 13, 1898, for the purpose of nominating candidates for probate judge, circuit clerk, representative, superintendent of education and two commissioners, and to select delegates to the State, judicial and chancery conventions, and to transact such other business as may properly come before it.

Resolved 2nd, That beat meetings or primaries as each beat may determine, be held on Saturday, April 9th, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to said county convention, and that all conservative voters irrespective of past political associations or differences, who can unite with us in the effort for pure, economical and constitutional government, and who will support the nominees and principles of the Democratic party are invited to participate in said beat meetings or primaries.

Resolved 3d That delegates to the Congressional convention be selected by a convention to be hereafter called by the chairman of the Democratic executive committee of said county.

Resolved, That each beat shall be entitled to one delegate to said county convention for every 15 votes or fraction over 10 voted in said beat for the Democratic candidate for governor in 1896.

In conformity herewith the various beats will be entitled to the following representation in the county convention:

Beat 1 box 1	—Columbiana	9
1	2—Shelby	7
2	—Spring Creek	1
3	—Calera	10
4 box 1	—Montevallo	11
4	2—Gurnee	1
5	—Tylers	1
6	—Helena	4
7	—Elliottsville	4
8	—Yellow Leaf	2
9	—Wilsonville	8
10	—Harpersville	10
11	—Weldon	3
12	—Highland	2
13	—Bold Springs	1
14	—Vandiver	1
15	—Sterrett	1
16	—Vincent	5
17	—Pelham	3
18	—Dunnavant	1
Total		85

W. B. BROWNE, Chairman.

J. T. LEEPER, Secretary.

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CHURCHES.

Baptist.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor; preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., W. Lyman, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society meets at 4 p. m. on Monday after the second and fourth Sundays.

Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. Alex. Moore, W. M.
F. F. Crowe, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P.—Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month.

C. F. Robins, C. C.
G. B. Monroe, K. of R. & S.

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LOCAL.

Crabbe handles Orr shoes.

You have been vaccinated, so have we.

Don't fail to attend Dr. Steel's lecture Saturday night.

Girls who like good candy can get it at F. F. Crowe & Co.

Burgess Little spent Sunday with his parents at Blocton.

All toilet articles and choicest perfumery, F. F. Crowe & Co.

Capt. Frank Fitch, of Brierfield, was in town yesterday.

Prescriptions carefully compounded by F. F. Crowe & Co.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Quite a number of drummers have been in our town this week.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

A good milch cow for sale cheap. Apply to Drs. Givhan & Wilkinson.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

They say if you want to be up to date, roll up your sleeve and vaccinate.

Miss Issie Phillips, who is teaching at Blocton, spent Saturday in Montevallo.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

We call special attention to the two new legal ads to be be found in another column.

Plain girls will look beautiful if adorned with the ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

Charley Acker, now a student in the Birmingham Medical College, is at home for a few days.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

A complete line of slippers—chocolate, tan, and others too numerous to mention—at the Racket Store.

Take your scissors to Felix Dotson when you want them sharpened. Satisfaction guaranteed, or no money.

Messrs. Jack Hayes and George Haden, of Avondale, spent Sunday in Montevallo. They came on their tandem.

Misses Mary and Sarah Phelan, who have been visiting Mrs. Sarah Nabors, leave today for their home in Birmingham.

Rev. P. L. Abernethy filled his pulpit at the M. E Church Sunday morning, and delivered an able and instructive sermon.

We expect soon to receive a large lot of new printing material, and will then be prepared to fill all orders on short notice.

When you know of any news, just come around and tell us about it. We are not supposed to manufacture news like a city paper.

The K. of P.'s certainly must have enjoyed themselves Monday night from the way they were laughing. Guess the goat must have thrown someone against the Wall.

After being in session one week, the grand jury adjourned Saturday. They found 18 true bills. This is a fine showing, and goes to prove that crime is on the decrease in Shelby county.

The insurance companies are making a map of Montevallo, and will make special rates on property in our town. They have had to pay out only $800 in the past 15 years on fire losses in Montevallo.

Mr. J. A Sellers, a prominent cotton warehouseman of Montgomery, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday looking for a residence lot. We hope he can find what he wants, as we would be glad to have him live among us.

F. W. Rogan is building an ice house just back of his store. Banks Bros. have the contract. This will fill a long-felt want in Montevallo, and our citizens can be supplied with ice all summer at a much cheaper rate than they have heretofore been paying.

Mrs. Nelson, of the dressmaking department of the Girls' Industrial School, informed a News reporter Monday that she had an order for a fine dress for a lady living at Los Angeles, Cal., and another from Georgia. This shows the reputation our school has abroad.

Capt. McKibbon has a new addition to his already well-equipped saw mill. This time it is a new steam whistle, and when 12 o'clock comes. it can be heard a long ways. The citizens of Chilton county threaten to sue Capt. McKibbon for disturbing their peace with his loud whistle.

Henry Allen, colored, recently exposed himself to the smallpox, and then made his brags that he would not be vaccinated. The health committee, composed of one dozen good citizens, got around Henry late Sunday evening, and before they all separated, Henry was vaccinated all right enough. Better roll up your sleeve and receive your dose, if you don't, well—

What came near being a serious accident, happened at the residence of Mrs. Henry Wilson Tuesday night. Miss Annie Kennedy, one of the teachers in the Industrial school, who boards with Mrs. Wilson, accidentally overturned a lamp, burning her dress very badly; also a rocking chair and the carpet. They succeeded in putting the fire out, however, before any other damage was done.

Miss Julia Bates, of Bates' Farm, near Marion, spent a few hours in Montevallo last Sunday. She was en route home from Blocton, where she had been visiting her aunt, Miss Phillips. Miss Bates attended services at the Methodist church, and, at the request of Bro. Abernethy, she sang very sweetly "The Holy City." She has a melodious voice, and the large congregation was well pleased with her singing.

Miss Annie Stuart, of Montgomery, was married last week to Mr. Prioleau Ellis, of Atlanta, Ga. The Montgomery Advertiser, in speaking of the bride's wedding dress, said: "The bride, a distinguished brunette of womanly graces, was lovely in a tailor-made traveling suit of navy blue, tastefully braided."

Miss Stuart's wedding dress was made right here in Montevallo, in the dressmaking department of the Girls' Industrial School.

Last Sunday evening about six o'clock, we took a stroll down to the depot, and while there an extra freight came in. On one of the flat cars we noticed a very large object, with a covering over it. Upon inquiry, we were told that it was a large cannon, on its way to Atlanta, headquarters for the Southern War Department. From there it will be shipped direct to Havana. This cannon has a calibre sufficient for throwing 500 pounds of gun cotton.

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Mr. Editor:

I note with much pleasure the expected coming of Rev. S. A. Steel, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn. It was my good fortune to hear Dr. Steel in Blocton on February 25, 1896, on the same subject which he will present here. It is indeed most interesting to all, both young and old, whether they were reared prior to, during or after the war—they will appreciate his glowing description of "Home Life in Dixie During the War." Burgess Little.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Dr. H. W. Harrison visited friends in Maylene Sunday.

Dock Elliott, of Ganadarque, visited relatives near this place Sunday.

A. P. Davidson and W. E. Harrison attended services at Ebenezer on the 27th inst.

Osce Burke and wife, of Ganadarque, visited friends and relatives near Dogwood Sunday.

Quite a crowd from this place attended quarterly meeting at Maylene on the 19th and 20th inst.

Messrs. Will Milam, Lige Stamps and Walter Harrison, of Belle Ellen, visited relatives and friends in town Sunday.

Misses Sallie Ryan, Leila Stripling and Pearl Harrison visited friends at Spring Creek Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. R. C. Jones, who has been attending the medical college at Bessemer, Ala, passed a very creditable examination, and has returned home to practice his profession.

The Montevallo Lump Coal Mining Company, near this place, are sinking their slope two more lifts. The prospects of this company are good, as they have four feet of hard coal in their mine.

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State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Probate Court, Regular Term,
March 14, 1898.

Estate of David, Leta, Manly, Zelma, Loa, George and Mandy Farrington, minors.

This day came Wm. C. Farrington, as Guardian of said estates, and filed his application in due form and under oath, praying for an order of sale of certain lands described therein and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of maintenance and education of said minors, upon the ground that their income is not sufficient for their maintenance and education without a sale of said property.

It is ordered that the 11th day of April, 1898, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same, if they think proper.

D. R. McMillan,
Mar24-3t Judge of Probate.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Oscar Whitfield, et als Complainant, vs. Alabama Iron & Steel Co. et als, Defendant.	In Chancery, Sixth District, North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of W. S. Cary, agent for complainants, that the defendants, Carrie S. Plumb, who resides in Emporia, State of Kansas; George I. Seney, resides in the city of New York, State of New York; M S. Pomeroy resides in the city of Washington, District of Columbia; Justin A. Morrill resides in the State of Vermont; Samuel Thomas resides in the State of Pennsylvania; C. S. Brice resides in the State of Ohio, and that the Central Trust Company has its place of business in the City of New York, State of New York, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Montevallo News, a newspaper published in the city of Montevallo, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Carrie S. Plumb, George I. Seney, M. S. Pomeroy, Justin A. Morrill, Samuel Thomae, C. S. Brice, the Central Trust Company, a body corporate, to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 28th day of April, A. D., 1898. or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against them.

Done at office, in Columbiana, this 26th day of March, A. D., 1898.

J. R White,
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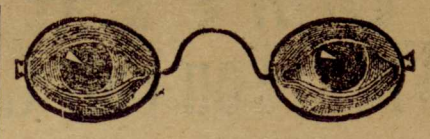

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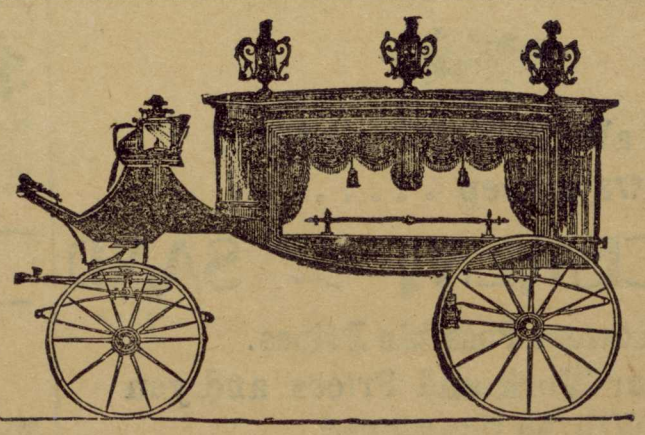

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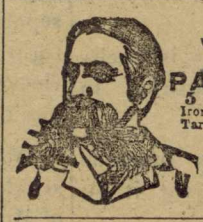

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If you see it in the News it so.
Do you want War.
How do like my Easter derss.

NATIONAL HONOR.

(Carl Schurz in Harper's Weekly.)

The honor of a person, in the general sense of the term, is his moral dignity. To offend or wound a person's honor means to deny or impeach his moral dignity so as to lower it in the estimation of others, and perhaps also in his own self-respect. To forfeit one's honor means to do something, or to permit something to be done, which is incompatible with one's moral dignity. This implies to nations as well as to individuals. What true honor consists in, what constitutes an offence to one's honor, and how the offended honor can or should be vindicated or restored, are questions which in different places and at different times have received different answers, according to the different conventional conceptions of honor or the different states of civilization there and then prevailing.

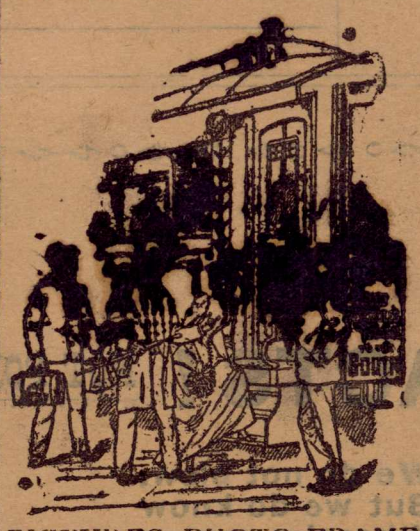
Whatever divergences of opinions on these points may still exist in this country, no American capable of sober reflection can seriously hold the belief that considerations of national honor would require, or even that its moral dignity would permit, this great republic to swagger about among the nations of the world with a chip on its shoulder, shaking its fist under everybody's nose, and telling the world on every possible occasion that we can "whip" any power that might choose to resent this, and that we would be rather glad of an opportunity for doing so. A private individual taking such an attitude would certainly not be called a gentleman. He would be considered a vulgar bully. If a person of great physical strength, he would be feared by some, esteemed by nobody, and heartily detested as a public nuisance by the whole decent part of the community. A nation playing such a role would deserve and meet with the same judgment in the family of civilized nations, and at the same time it would cultivate within itself those forces of evil which are always developed by a perversion of the sense of honor, and the consequent loss of true moral dignity and of genuine self-respect.

Neither would any American having the honor of his country sincerely at heart find it compatible with the true moral dignity of this great republic that the American people should always be nervously on the lookout for something to offend or affront it, and eager to construe as a grievous injury or a deadly insult anything in the slightest degree capable of an unpleasant interpretation, in order to avenge it. He would remember the common experience of private life that the hon[or] of the "hero" of many so-called "af[fa]irs of honor," the ever-ready duelist [is] to be not the genuine article, and that few things are more derogatory to the character of a gentleman than a propensity to pick unnecessary quarrels—that is, quarrels which might honorably be avoided. There is one duty which strong men and strong nations that are imbued with a true sense of honor, will never forget. It is that the strong should scrupulously abstain from abusing their strength when dealing with the weak. Strong men and strong nations conscious of their moral dignity will be slow to take offence. This will, of course, not permit themselves to be injured, or insulted, or trifled with, or balked by anybody at will, or to any length; but they will be especially solicitous to exhaust all peacefull means of enforcement of their just demands, or for the amicable composition of differences, before their superiority of brute strength is brought into play. They can afford, and they should use the greater forbearance, as it cannot be charged either to weakness or timidity.

A true sense of national honor will move the American people to keep this well in mind at the present moment. It is not intended to inquire here what our grievance against Spain may be. Let us assume it to be very grave. What will then be the situation? This republic is very strong. Spain is, in comparison, very weak. We have a population of 75,000,000. Spain has 18,000,000. We are immensely rich in ready means and still undeveloped resources. Spain is poor, with a heavy debt and impaired credit. Although Spain might annoy us much with her fleet at the beginning of hostilities, in case of war, there is no doubt of our ability to defeat her thoroughly in a contest, the final result of which depends upon material staying power and the tenacity of the popular spirit. Nobody questions this. Our manifest superiority is so great that there would be little glory in our triumph. Neither are we in the situation of a people whose reputation as to courage, bravery or patriotism is still to be established. All this is so well known and so universally acknowledged that no forbearance on our part can ever by any possibility be misinterpreted as a lack of power or of pluck—or that, in fact, it can appear as anything else than the considerate self-control of conscious strength. "But," we are told, "the 'dons' are insolent. Unless we give them a sound beating, they will say that the Americans are afraid of them." Well, what of it if they were foolish enough to say or even to think so? Would anybody else believe it? Would it in any manner diminish the power of this republic or lower its moral dig[nity, its n]ity, its n[ational] tion of o[ur] No; if th[e] superior what it [is] with that is the fin[est] when dea[th] avoids wa[r] until all peace hav[e] and think treme exig[ency] one, it wil[l] the moral finitely be eloquent eary deme[nd] enough to we like.

For a just appreciation of the requirements of national honor in the premises, it may be useful to look also at the Spanish side of the question. Spain, as the weaker party, will be[ar] much more open to the imputation of timidity if she yie lds on any dubiou point. Her proverbial pride may render it therefore especially painful to her to abandon any position she once has held. The impulse to vindicate what she conceives to be her national honor by fighting at any cost to the last extremity for what she had once claimed as her right, or against what she had once denounced as a wrong or an indignity, may therefore be es[pe]cially strong. Neither would her national honor, in any sense, suffer by the abandonment of Cuba as soon as she has to admit that her rule over the inhabitants of that island can no longer be maintained. There has been a rumor that the proud Spaniard, when the loss of Cuba becomes certain, will then, for national honor's sake, provoke a war with the United States, so as to preserve at least the appearance of succumbing only to the superior strength of one of the great powers of the world. No misconception of national honor could be more grotesque than the fancy that the moral dignity of a nation can better be saved by punishing one's self with an absolutely useless demonstration of willingness to shed more blood and to squander more wealth and to create more misery, than by a wise and decorous acceptance of the inevitable. It is a monstrous notion, which can have sprung only from some very much overheated brain; but it fairly illustrates the strange confusion of ideas in which national honor figures as something that stands above the dictates of common sense, as well as of common morality.

We have had much of this wild sort of talk in this country, and we may have more. But there is good reason for hoping that it will not run away with the self-respect of the American people. We may well be proud of the self-contained dignity with which so far President McKinley and his ministers have conducted our foreign affairs amid the excitement of the day; proud of the wellnigh unanimous applause which the calm attitude of those in power has elicited from the citizenship of the country; and proud of the fact that a bill to put the republic in a state of defence could pass both houses of congress without hot appeals to warlike passions. This gives us a taste of that sense of national honor which draws its inspiration not from hysterical spasms, but from sober wisdom; not from the brutal wantonness of superior strength, but from the noble resolve to be all the more just and generous, because strong.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action oi the Democratic Convention.

D. R. MCMILLAN.

Grover Cleveland, the man who, when he took the oath of office as President of this great republic, was, comparatively speaking a poor man who left that position a millionaire refuses to be one of the managers of the New York Journals main monument fund, because it would advertise the Journal.

Subscribe for the News.

When the farmers of the South find they can live without raising cotton, times will be better in this part of Gods vinrrd.

The colored man rerched the jumping off place when the 25th United States infantry (col.) arrived at Dry Tortugas.

A country that expects its ffag and citizens to be respected by other Nations must be ready to defend either and at all times.

It may be there but we have not observed Mark Hanna's name on the "Honor Roll" as donator to the Maine Monument Fund.

When we are helping with our good money the starvitg victims she has made, Spain is spending her money to buy war implements to kill more good Americans.

The booming of Fitzhugh Lee for president by an Eastern State and a Western State, will soon have the Sectional Strife raiser and the bloody shirt waver hunting anew job.

Why the contract was let to Mark Hanna and other mine Barons north, to furnish coal for the navy at almost double Alabama bids, should be explained to the satisfaction of the american public.

The Presidents new plea is, I am afrid that the americans will be assassinated if war is declared and "I wold not have the blood of Fitzhugh Lee on my hands for every Spaniard and Cuban on that entire island."

Some one should mail Mr. McKinley a copy of The Star spangled banner, Long may she wave o'er the land of the tree and home of the brave. It might put a little stiffening in his failing back bone.

We dont pretend to advise farmers but it does look to us that with thier cribs full of corn and smoke house full of meat and the cotton they raise as a surplus, the planter would be in better condition to meet the manipulation of Wall street and Liverpool.

The Decatur Herald struck the keynote when it said: "If people would use the same diligence in spreading the good things they hear and know about people that they do in heralding every hint or rumor of bad, the world would be better off, and the tattler would have a surer chance of heaven."

When 268 of good Americans citizens are killed by a Nation that for sixty years has been plainly showing that they want war with this country and the head of the American republic is trying to settle for their lives with dollars its time to take the proud bird from our banner and hang our heads in shame.

McKinley by his vacilating policy shows to the world one of two things; that he is either the biggest coward breathes the free air of this or any other continent, or that he holds his place as head of this Nation by fraud, manipulated by the stock gamblers of this country and England, and now they are pulling the strings and howling peace at any price. But the price some one will pay will be millions, and the price Uncle Sam will pay, will be a flag that any little nation can spit on with impunity as long as a coward fills the presidential chair.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Several new pupils have come in this week.

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The college received a lot of goods yesterday.

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President Reynolds was disapointed in not getting all the hats for the opening.

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Miss Francis class in Physical culture class, it fs making great progress.

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On Tuesday morning the enrollment had run up to 240 girls. This is a remarkable showing.

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The opening Monday was a grand success although it rained all day there were a great many visitoas, the display was grand. Several ladies bought hats.

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A newspaper in Montevallo is a necessity. No town ever thrived without one. Don't sit idly by and criticise the paper unless you lend a helping hand. If you have news don't suppress it, but let the editor know about it.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Call by the Committee and Basis of Representation.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Democratic executive committee of Shelby county, held in Columbiana on Monday, March 7th, 1898:

Resolved 1st, That a convention of the Democratic party is hereby called to meet at the courthouse in Columbiana, on Wednesday, April 13, 1898, for the purpose of nominating candidates for probate judge, circuit clerk, representative, superintendent of education and two commissioners, and to select delegates to the State, judicial and chancery conventions, and to transact such other business as may properly come before it.

Resolved 2nd, That beat meetings or primaries as each beat may determine, be held on Saturday, April 9th, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to said county convention, and that all conservative voters irrespective of past political associations or differences, who can unite with us in the effort for pure, economical and constitutional government, and who will support the nominees and principles of the Democratic party are invited to participate in said beat meetings or primaries.

Resolved 3d That delegates to the Congressional convention be selected by a convention to be hereafter called by the chairman of the Democratic executive committee of said county.

Resolved, That each beat shall be entitled to one delegate to said county convention for every 15 votes or fraction over 10 voted in said beat for the Democratic candidate for governor in 1896.

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. Alex. Moore, W. M.
F. F. Crowe, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P.—Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month.

C. F. Robins, C. C.
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Mr. Michell the News printer is in Blocton sick with fever.

Girls who like good candy can get at F. F. Crowe & Co.

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The early gardener got left this time, but the early worm got froze

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Uncle John Pynor, Montevallo's noted shoe maker has returned and is ready for work at his old stand.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

The Birmingham train was several hour late Tuesday on accout of a wash-out near Imogene.

Candy, Candy, all kinds of Candy at prices you can afford at Crabbe,s.

Mr. Will Nolen, is very sick he will have to go to Birmingham to have an operation performed he has a tumor growing in his head.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

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Newton & Nolen have suppended business on account of Mr. Nolen, sickness.

You can get more fresh garden seed for less money at F. F. Crowe's than any where else in town.

Several of Montevallo young people went fishing last saturday they report lot of fun and a big catch of colds the bate gaue out early.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Miss Ada Dill, is having great success with her dress making parlor she is getting all the work she can do, she has ordered a stock of millinery they will be here in a few days.

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We have just recieved a shipment of blank paper cut to order, from that wide-awake, up-to date firm of job printers Billue & Brannon at Talladega that gave complete satisfaction.

Dr. Steel's lecture was quite a success although the audiance was not as large as was expected the chapel was nearly full, Dr. Steel entertained the audiance for nearly two hours some things he said was worth the price of the lectnre. The audience was well pleased from the start to finish.

Crabbe, says it pays to advertise.

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ATTENTION DEMOCRATS.

The democrats of Beat 4 are requested to meet at Montevallo, Saturday next April 9th for the purpose of selecting delegates to the County Convention to be held at Columbiana Wednesday April 13th and for some other business as may properly come before such meeting.

By order of Executive committee.

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STATE CONVENTION.

Christian Endeavor.

The Christian Endeavor state convention will meet in Selma on April 3. Every society in Alabama is requested to send one or more delegates. Free entertainment will be provided for all who send their names to Mrs. F. E. Apperson Selma, Ala., before the convention meets. A reduced railroad rate of one and one third fare for the reund rip has been granted on the certificate plan, provided 50 delegates are in attendance with certificates. Delegates should purchase full fare tickets to Selma and take from the agents a certificate as proviced by the railroad company. If a through ticket cannot be purchased, a certificate should be taken each ticket When this certificate is properly signed in Selma and persented to the ticket agent there, a reduction will be made on the return.

A splendid programme has been arranged by the officers of the State Union and the convention will be a highly interesting one. The principal speaker will be Dr. Rondthaler, of Chicago, who Will be remembered by those who attende tne Birmingham convention in 1895. He is one of the finest Chrestian Endeavors worker in this country. Rev. Ira Landrith, of Nashville, will also be present and take part in the programme, especially putting forth the claims of the International convention at Nashville in July. Other fine coneention workers and speakers from different parts of the state have accepted places on the brogramme.

In addition to delegates from societies, pastors, and others recommended by pastors, who are interested in this movement, are invited to attend the convention and will be shown the same courtesies as regular delegates.

Rev. J F. Smith, the Rector, will conduct Easter Service, ineluding Holy Communion, at the Episcopal church next Sunday, instead of waiting for his regular appointment as heretofore announced. All communicants are requested to take notice of this change of appointment. Good music ss a feature of this occasion and the exercises will be most interesting.

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State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Probate Court, Regular Term, March 14, 1898.

Estate of David, Leta, Manly, Zelma, Loa, George and Mandy Earrington, minors.

This day came Wm. C. Farrington, as Guardian of said estates, and filed his applicatcn in due form and under oath, praying for an erder of sale of certain lands described therein and belonging to said estate, for the purpose of maintenance and education of said minors, upon the ground that their income is not sufficient for their maintenance and education without a sale of said property.

It is ordered that the 11th day of April, 1898, be appointed a day for hearing such application, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same, if they think proper.

D. R. McMillan,
Mar24-3t Judge of Probate.

State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Oscar Whitfield, et als Complainant, vs. Alabama Iron & Steel Co. et als, Defendant.	In Chancery, Sixth District, North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of W. S. Cary, agent for complainants, that the defendants, Carrie S. Plumb, who resides in Emporia, State of Kansas; George I. Seney, resides in the city of New York, State of New York; M S. Pomeroy resid s in the city of Washington, District of Columbia; Justin A. Morrill resides in the State of Vermont; Samuel Thomas resides in the State of Pennsylvania; C. S. Brice resides in the State of Ohio, and that the Central Trust Company has its place of business in the City of New York, State of New York, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Montevallo News, a newspaper published in the city of Montevallo, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Carrie S. Plumb, George I. Seney, M. S. Pomeroy, Justin A. Morrill, Samuel Thomae, C. S. Brice, the Central Trust Company, a body corporate, to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 28th day of April, A. D., 1898. or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against them.

Done at office, in Columbiana, this 26th day of March, A. D., 1898.

J. R White,
Mch24-4t. Register.

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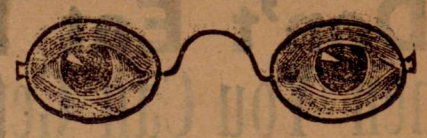

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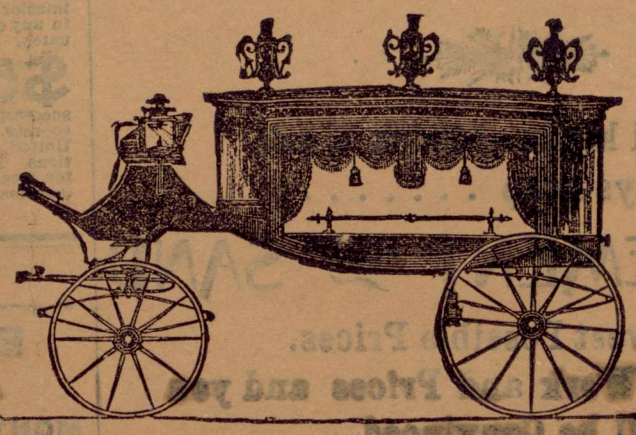

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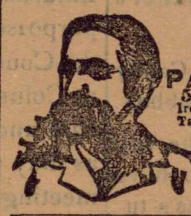

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Probate Judge

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THE DUTY OF THE HOUR.

We have a thousand guns; what have we made them for?
If not in times like these to speak the speech of war?
Let's fight, or quit our brag, and take our banter back,
Paint white our ships again and paint the White House black.
—Lee Fairchild, in Washington Times.

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—AND—

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Where, in all this sunny southland, has God displayed His handiwork so well and so lavishly distributed His blessings than here—here where the flowers of every kind vie with the tropics in their fragrance and colorings; here where birds of gay and brilliant plumage warble their songs from early morn to dewy eve; here where nature, ladened with healthgiving, balmy breezes, make the summers pleasant and intoxicate the soul of the most poetical, and all rejoice in the fact that they are in the land of the living; here where a peace loving people dwell in unity with the one idea ever foremost, the best good for one of the best sections on this sun bathed footstool; here where God is worshipped as the giver of all good, and who has bestowed the richest blessings on a thankful people; here where wealth lies buried in the sunkissed mountains and dew-ladened valleys, ready for the busy toiler; here where the sparkling eyes and laughing faces of happy maidens, make glad the heart of the veriest misanthrope, and where strong men vie with each other in friendly conflict for this world's goods; here where vice, in its various forms, is far below the average, and intoxicating liquors are never sold and rarely make its appearance; here where the healthy climate, pure water and ever fresh air have given us the State educational institution for young ladies, whose health was the most important.

Again we ask where, on this footstool, has God been more lavish with His gifts?

Where can the health seeker find a better home, and where can those desiring profitable investments find a better section or more varied inducements than here where a friendly people extend the welcome hand to the earnest worker and harmonious citizen; and to all such the latch-string of hospitality hangs on the outside.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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For Our Next Representative.

A History That Is Written in Blood.

The slaughter of the Cuban innocents is but a repetition of Spain's cruelties from the earliest histories. From the inquisition which began 1481 under Queen Isabella up to the present time, is one long trail of blood. In the eighteen years of Torque-Mada's sway in the inquisition alone, 114,000 victims succumbed to its cruelties, no less than 11,000 being burned at the stake.

Under the rule of Charles V the Spanish barbarities in the Netherlands is a blot of blood in history. On Feb. 16, 1568, Philip, through the holy office, issued an edict condemning to death all the inhabitants of the Netherlands. Millions of people were condemned to death at one stroke of the pen.

Now look at the atrocities on our own continent in Peru, Mexico and Florida, and the memorable remark of Philip II on reading the report of Mendez, who had killed, by stabbing, the French Huguenots in Florida, "He has done well."

Now last, but by no means least, look at the suffering in Cuba, where innocent children, mothers and sisters are daily starving from Spanish cruelties; where 264 good Americans were killed without the least provocation.

Veritably the Spanish nation has written its history in blood, and the plea that all her barbarities were committed in the dark middle ages, won't stand.

A thrill or terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. F. F. Crowe & Co.

On the 7th and 8th days of November, 1873, the Spaniards in Cuba killed, on an accusation of piracy, fifty-three of the crew and passengers of the American vessel, Virginius, and were only stopped from killing the entire hundred and sixty-five by the arrival of the British ship. Niobe, commanded by Sir Lampton Lorraine, who trained his guns on the town and demanded a cessation of the massacre. When the United States heard of this there was much excitement, but Spain's waiting policy finally settled the affair for $80,000.

Will the United States again settle for murdered Americans with money? Will Spain's money pay for the lives of our murdered sailors?

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. F. F. Crowe & Co.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

April 10: Officers and teachers present, 15; scholars present, 102; total, 117; on roll, 156; visitors, 2; collection, $2.10.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

April 10: Scholars present, 101; scholars absent, 69; officers and teachers present, 18; officers and teachers absent, 2; visitors present, 5; total, 124. Collection, 69 cents.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B W Pursell, of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

THE WEEKLY NEWS,

MONTEVALLO, ALA.

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Thursday, April 14, '98.

Montevallo is one of the most prosperous little cities in Alabama. Its business enterprise and tireless energy have become too well known to need extended mention. It is the trading centre of a large area of thickly populated territory, and is the junction of the Southern railroad, which gives unexcelled facilities for transportation. Four regular passenger trains stop at the depot daily, running in every direction.

Montevallo has a population of 1,200 and is steadily growing. It has the Alabama Polytechnic Institute for Girls; four churches afford ample opportunity for those who wish to worship; branches of the most important secret societies are fully organized: the people never go to sleep, but keep up the hum of business every day in the year. Montevallo is well fitted to make a home for all enterprising men and women seeking a location. All such are welcomed, and letters of inquiry are cheerfully and promptly answered.

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Any subscriber who gets us five new subscribers for one year will have his own subscription extended one year. The names need not all be sent in at once, but may be sent in one at a time. Show The News to your neighbors and take their subscriptions.

News items are always gladly received, subject to the editor's pencil. Spicy news communications are requested from any neighborhood. Local news items are desired always.

School teachers, ministers and physicians are especially requested to notify us of all reports, announcements, incidents, etc., that are of local interest.

Regular correspondents are desired in every town and community within fifteen miles of Montevallo. Write for terms and instructions to correspondents.

Short articles on subjects of interest can frequently be used. Articles dealing with politics, religion or personalities are not available for our use

Anonymous communications will not be noticed. Sign your name. It will not be puplished unless you desire it. Write on one side of the paper only, and be careful in giving the names and dates to have the letters and figures plain and distinct.

Advertisers are reminded that The News is one of the best advertising mediums in Alabama, and its circulation reaches a splendid field of well-to-do buyers. Our rates are very low and are alike to all.

Our press room is open at all times to the pubilc. We have no figures to conceal.

Democratic County Ticket.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE,
D. R. McMILLAN.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK,
W. R. S. MILNER.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
DR. C. C. OLIVER.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
2nd District—R. J. Griffin.
4th District—B. F. Elliott.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
E. S. LYMAN.

This country is not quite ready to be sold out yet. A hint for Wall Street.

To be cursed by the majority of his party, in and out of office, for cowardice, is rather hard on the president, and doesn't show a "gilt edge cinque" on a second term.

J. Asa Rountree, secretary of the Alabama Press Association, has made satisfactory arrangements for an excursion to Washington incident to the annual meeting of the association at Tuscaloosa. The excursion will probably leave on the night of May 12th, or the morning of the 13th, over the Southern railway.

According to previous announcement, the Democratic County Convention met in the court house at Columbiana, on Wednesday, the 13th inst., at 1 o'clock p. m. There were 82 delegates present. The convention was called to order by Chairman W. B. Brown.

Col. Smith was elected chairman pro tem, and J. R. White secretary pro tem.

On motion of N. A. Graham, of Calera, the temporary offices were made permanent.

Judge D. R. McMillan was nominated for probate judge by acclamation, there being no opposition.

The names of W. R. S. Milner, W. A. Thompson and J. E. Ruffin were submitted to the convention for circuit clerk. They were voted for by beats, and after the votes were counted W. R. S. Milner was declared nominated.

The names of Dr. C. C. Oliver C. H. Florey and C. W. O'Hara were submitted for superintendent of education and Dr. C. C. Oliver received the nomination. R. J. Griffin was nominated for commissioner from the second district and B. F. Elliott from the 4th.

The names of S. A. Latham and E. S. Lyman were then submitted for representative, and Mr. E. S. Lyman received the nomination.

The convention passed off harmoniously, and all went away well satisfied with the ticket nominated and determined to do everything in their power for its election.

The delegates were instructed for Judge Brewer for circuit judge.

OPENING DAY

OF THE

Millinery and Dressmaking Departments

Girls' :-: Industrial -:- School,

Monday, April 4th, was, despite the inclemency of the weather, a gala day at the Girls' Industrial or Polytechnic Institute of Alabama, at Montevallo. It was opening day of the millinery and dressmaking departments, and many visitors were there to view the handiwork of the young ladies of the school. It was indeed quite a revelation to us.

We were first taken in charge by Miss Leo Sanders, Mrs. G. Nelson's charming and talented assistant, and conducted through labyrinths of beautiful dresses. We took up a great deal of Miss Sanders' time asking questions, and cannot resist mentioning a few of the elegant suits described to us, prettier than which, it has never been our good fortune to behold.

One of the richest dresses was a handsome black silk from Mrs. Dr. Eager, of Montgomery, and was of very costly material and finished in excellent style. This beautiful dress is to be set off by a hat of fancy black straw, trimmed with jetted wings; a beautiful crown of liberty silk with band of jet and rosettes of mousseline and tall loops of taffata ribbon. It is very pretty, and was made by Misses Hettie Barnett and M. Thornton.

Mrs. Dr. Harris, of Montgomery, is another patron of these bright girls, and for her they have made a handsome dress of black silk, trimmed in three shades of mousseline and handmade lace over fifty years old (an heirloom). It is a dream of loveliness, and was made by Misses Lucy Leeper and Mamie Guy.

Mrs. Dr. Chapman's grey silk set off with cut steel buckles and sash of liberty silk, was made by Misses Rhoda Latham and Mary Jones, and is very pretty and stylish.

But the prettiest dress in the house was one of black mousseline embroidered in turquoise made over blue taffeta silk with jewelled buckles and trimming and dainty sash of liberty silk to match. This elegant suit was made for Mrs. Barnes, of Myrtle, Ala., by Misses Bessie Allen and Madge Watts.

There were dozens of other handsome dresses in silk, plaid tweed and wool suitings, but want of space precludes further mention of same. These dresses range in price from $25.00 to $100.00, and we venture to say that prettier, more stylish, nor better made dresses have been turned out by any dressmaking emporium this season than have by the accomplished young ladies of the Girls' Industrial School, the "Pride of Alabama." Mrs. Nelson and her corps of assistants are entitled to much praise and credit for the skillful instruction they have imparted to the 200 girls in their department.

One other thing we must mention was a dainty opera cloak for Miss Kate Campbell, of pink eiderdown trimmed at throat with white swansdown. Nothing prettier was ever seen.

After we had tired down everybody in the dressmaking department with interrogations, we were turned over to Miss Wilma Saunders, one of the pretty milliners, who proceeded to show us what we didn't know about hats. Thought perhaps we had wandered into a flower garden by mistake, for from rows upon top of rows of tastefully arranged hats, flowers of every variety and hue seemed to nod us a merry welcome. Here we found hats galore—hats of fancy satin straw, rough straw, leghorns, tired roll, sailors, etc., of the latest style, skillfully displayed. Miss Tall, the head milliner, who, by the way, hails from Baltimore, the city of milliners, and her assistants certainly are "chock full" of artistic talent in their line.

We cannot resist the temptation of trying to describe a few, but fear that words are inadequate to express it properly.

A beautiful hat was shown us that had been made for Miss Louise Alston. It was of fancy straw in shaded green, and trimmed in shaded green liberty shirred silk, and standing aigrette of palm with flowers of burnt orange and rosettes of mousseline. A dainty gem.

Another of white fancy straw handsomely appliquated with black and nile green and serrase flowers and foliage made for Miss Mary McLean, of Hope Hull, Ala.

Miss Ethel Bartlett was also the proud possessor of a lovely hat of fancy black straw trimmed in burnt orange and black mousseline appliquated, double black satin ribbon and small flowers of burnt orange and pink rosebuds with foliage.

Something very pretty was a fine leghorn in sheperdess style with white tips and white satin ribbon ties trimmed in white lilacs with cut steel buckles underneath.

Much taste and exquisite workmanship was displayed in the hat made for Mrs. Ed Lyman. It is a handsome black straw trimmed in burnt orange and violets tipped by three handsome black plumes. It is very handsome.

The hat for Mrs. J. D. Smith, of Siddonsville, is hard to beat. Black straw, black mousseline, jewelled crown, trimmed in white and old blue, handsome rhinestone buckle and mousseline ribbon.

We could dwell all day on the wonderful display of beauty, but cannot find words to further describe in a fitting manner what we saw.

The dressmaking and millinery departments of the Girls' Industrial School are certainly a success.

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BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor; preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., W. Lyman, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society meets at 4 p. m. on Monday after the second and fourth Sundays.

METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. I. SINNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P.—Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month.

C. F. ROBINS, C. C.
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Sheriff E. F. Vest was in town the first of the week.

The cyclist club indulge in some fancy riding every evening.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

☞When you want to ride get your rigs from Kroell's stable.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. CROWE.

Mr. R T. Newton and wife visited Maylene and Dogwood this week.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

We are glad to state that our compositor, G. D. Mitchell, is able to be at his post of duty again.

☞School girls. Kroell's stable will ride you cheap on Saturdays. Take a ride Saturday.

Mr. S. B. Gibson and family have quit housekeeping, and are now boarding at the Dormitory.

We are glad to learn that W. L. Nolen, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks, is convalescing.

Emmett Welsh, of Birmingham, a well-known "knight of the grip," was in town the first of the week.

Quite a number of our citizens went to Columbiana yesterday to attend the Democratic County Convention.

Take your scissors to Felix Dotson when you want them sharpened. Satisfaction guaranteed, or no money.

A defective flue came near causing a destructive fire at the residence of Mr. Theo Allen, on College street, yesterday about 1 p. m.

Dr. D L. Wilkinson attended the State S. S. convention at Birmingham two days this week, and reports a very interesting meeting.

The case of R. L. Rice, charged with murder, was tried in the circuit court last week and the jury failed to agree, causing a mistrial.

We regret to learn that Rev. P. L. Abernethy is confined to his bed from an attack of rheumatism. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

FOR RENT.—The building formerly occupied by Newton & Nolen. For terms apply at the News office.

Mr Walton Carlisle, of Talladega, spent several days in our town during the past week on business for Billue & Brannon, the well known job printers of Talladega.

All toilet articles and choicest perfumery, F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mr. J. N. Campbell, of Blocton, was in town Monday on business. Mr. Campbell was a citizen of Montevallo about thirty years ago, and lived in the house now occupied by Dr. D. L. Wilkinson.

Prescriptions carefully compounded by F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mr. J. G. Bryan and family will occupy the lower rooms in the News building. Mr. Bryan had to move, in order that Mr. Kroell might tear down the house he was living in, to make room for his new two story brick building.

Mr. C. C. Vandegrift has shown us three samples oi very fine coal recently fonnd on his land near Imogene. Some of the coal is very hard, and has been pronnunced first-class. Mr. Vandegrift is thinking of opening a new mine on his property in the near future.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

We publish this week an account of the opening day of the millinery and dressmaking departments of the Girls' Industrial School on Monday, the 4th inst. We intended publishing it last week, but owing to the sickness of our compositor, we were unable to get it in type.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Deputy U. S. Collector Miller, Deputy U. S. Marshals Mitchell and and Vaughn, and Mr. Hooker, all of Birmingham, arrived in town yesterday morning with Messrs. Tom Taylor and Peter Mock, whom they arrested near Gurnee for illicit distilling. The officers destroyed the still house and all equipments, the worm, 500 gallons of beer, and 7 or 8 gallons of whiskey. The still had been removed, and they failed to find it. The prisoners were carried to Birmingham yesterday evening at 5:11 on the Southern. Wildcatters had better look out, for the officers are on their trail.

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ELECTRICAL SPANKING.

NOVEL DEVICE TO BE EMPLOYED IN A GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Warden C. P. Hoyt, of Denver, has designed a spanking chair for use in the Industrial School for Girls. It consists of a seatless chair on which the girls are placed. It is high enough from the ground to allow four paddles to be operated by electric wires. Straps hold the victim's wrists to the arms of the chair.

At the Girls' Industrial School of Kansas, situated at Beloit, they have what is called a spanking chair. Bad girls are strapped in a chair, and an attendant presses the button and the chair does the rest. The Kansas authorities will be asked to explain the system, and if it is satisfactory to the local authorities, a spanking chair will be purchased for the Colorado institution —Pittsburg Dispatch.

We learn that Capt. Reynolds is in correspondence with the inventor.

Plain girls will look beautiful if adorned with the ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

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REPORT FROM DRESSMAKING DEPARTMENT

FROM FEBRUARY 4TH TO APRIL 1, 1898.

Number of garments cut and made, 219.

The following girls made and collected the amounts opposite their names aside from their regular studies:

Miss Melissa Thornton,	$1.50
" Mary E. Jones,	3.50
" Jessie Hamilton,	2.50
" Lillian Seale,	3.00
" Pattie Nelson,	2.20
" Pearl Smilie,	35
" Rhoda Latham,	5.75
" Ella Garner,	2.00
" Mamie Guy,	6.50
" Mamie Beck,	90
" Mattie Rhodes,	2.00
" Lillie Savage,	1.00
" Lucie Leeper,	1.50
" Nan Pickett.	1.50
" Annie Echols,	2.00
" Hettie Barnett,	2.00
" Lena Nichols,	4.00
" Maxie Snow,	1.95
" Lillie Thomas,	35
" Margaret Hamilton,	35
" Ethel Saunders,	3.00
" Wilma Saunders,	2.00
" Anastasia Pittman,	2.00
" Lena Young,	1.75
" Ellie Ellis,	75
" Price Cockran,	25
" Kate Graham,	25
" Bessie Allen,	7.70
" Kate Kroell,	1.50
" Ida Reynolds,	1.00
" Gertrude Nicholson,	1.00
" Mittie Gray,	4.45
" Madge Watts,	2.50
" Beuna Vista Robinson,	3.00
	$76 00
Amount received for work during suspension,	42 00
Total amount earned,	$118 00

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Mr. Lafayette Lucas and family, of Maylene, attended church here Sunday.

Sheriff E. F. Vest, of Columbiana, passed through town Tuesday en route to Gurnee.

Messrs. Henry and W. E. Harrison went up to Pelham Sunday to see their friends, etc.

Quite a crowd attended the singing given by Mr. and Mrs. James Lucas on the 3rd inst.

Messrs. Newton Eddings, Sr., and Henry Johnson, of Ebenezer, passed through this place Tuesday.

Dr. H. W. Harrison has several sick patients on his list, and we hope for them a speedy recovery.

Rev. J. D. Martin, of Bessemer, delivered quite an interesting sermon at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Messrs. Sam Stamps and Walter Harrison, of Belle Eilen, spent Sunday in town with friends and relatives.

Messrs. Henry Davidson, J. D. Stripling and others went out to Cahaba river Monday on a fishing expedition.

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OSCAR WHITFIELD, et als, Complainant, vs. ALABAMA IRON & STEEL CO. et als, Defendant. } In Chancery, Sixth District, North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of W. S. Cary, agent for complainants, that the defendants, Carrie S. Plumb, who resides in Emporia, State of Kansas; George I. Seney, resides in the city of New York, State of New York; M S. Pomeroy resides in the city of Washington, District of Columbia; Justin A. Morrill resides in the State of Vermont; Samuel Thomas resides in the State of Pennsylvania; C. S. Brice resides in the State of Ohio, and that the Central Trust Company has its place of business in the City of New York, State of New York, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the MONTEVALLO NEWS, a newspaper published in the city of Montevallo, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Carrie S. Plumb, George I. Seney, M. S. Pomeroy, Justin A. Morrill, Samuel Thomae, C. S. Brice, the Central Trust Company, a body corporate, to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 28th day of April, A. D., 1898. or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against them.

Done at office, in Columbiana, this 26th day of March, A. D., 1898.

J. R WHITE,
Register.

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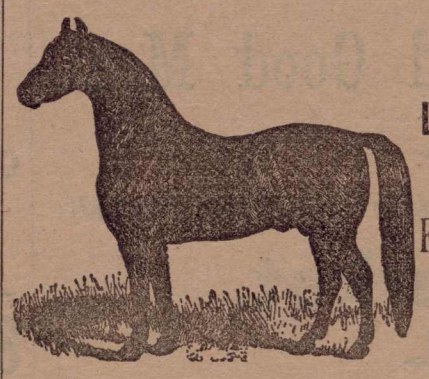

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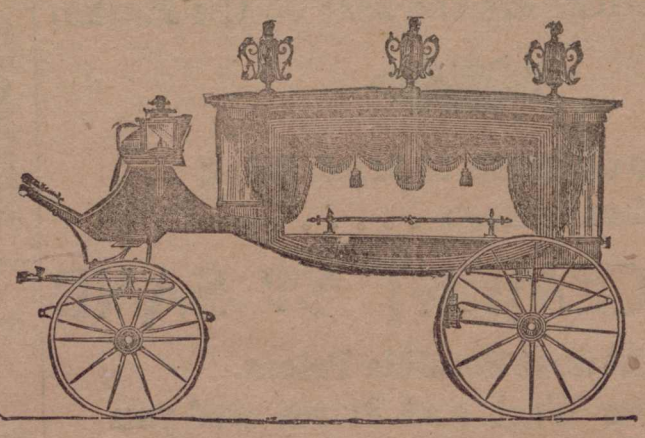

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Probate Judge

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The Meaning of Alabama.

Mobile Register.

There has always been a dispute regarding the meaning of the name of this state. The name itself is derived from the Alabamos trite of Indians, a branch of the Muscogee or Creek tribe, either by blood relationship or by conquest or subsequent adoption by the Creeks, and there is a popular legend that the name was taken from an expression used by the chief of the tribe upon the entry of the tribe upon the lands now called by this name. Finding the land good, and the climate inviting, the chief is said to have exclaimed, "Here we rest." From this the tribe came to be called the Alabamos.

This story has been objected to on the ground that it is not reasonable that a tribe should change its name because of such an incident in its history. It must have had a name at the time of its migration, and a name rendered dear to the tribe by its wanderings, if by no other experience. Besides, the students of the language fail to agree that this word has the precise meaning tradition gives it. Gatschet, for example, translates it to mean "wood clearers," deriving the name from two Choctaw words.

Anything that aids to our meagre store of information on this subject is acceptable, and now we have offered us something additional. It is reported by Dabney White, in a letter to the Houston Post. He tells of the remnant of the tribe of the Alabamos now living in Polk county, Texas, which people preserve their language, traditions and many of their ancient practices. It appears from Dabney's letter that a woman missionary, named Sylvestine, has lived for many years with the tribe, and has collected a vocabulary of the Alabamos language. She speaks the tongue well, and is said to be well acquainted with their history and traditions. Dabney says he aided the missionary in the preparation of the vocabulary and nowhere in the language could be found a word or combination of words sounding like Alabama that could be twisted into the meaning "Here we rest." In the absence of other evidence, it is thought more reliance can be put upon the tradition now held by the tribe on the subject than upon that which has been handed down through medium of the whites. The Indians say they derive their name from a peculiarity of the tribe—the celebration of the mulberry festival, a custom not observed by any other tribe. In their language the combination of the words "ale beheamo" literally means "people that gather mulberries." From this combination the word "Alabama" is derived. To substantiate their belief, it is generally known that every Indian tribe gets its name from some idiosyncracy of its members. Thousands of mulberry trees are in their home village in Texas, and they are cherished with more devotion than we cherish the survivors of the ancient "cedars of Lebanon."

This evidence is not conclusive of the question raised, but it is of more than usual interest, as bearing directly upon it, and, perhaps, making easier its final solution.

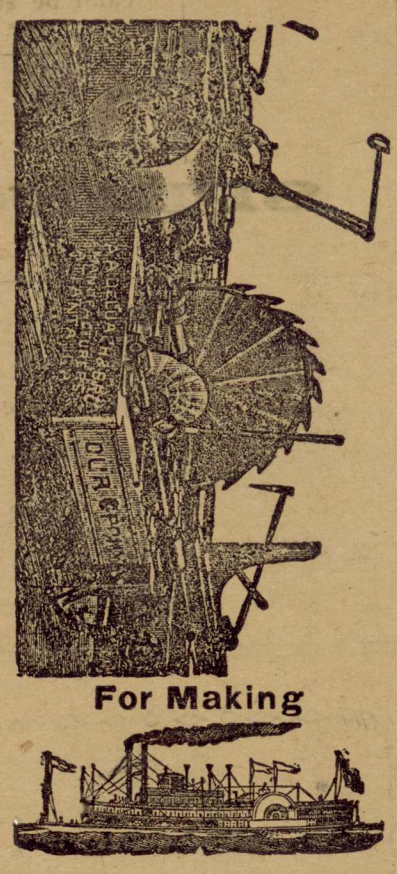
IKE SNOT'S AXIOMS.

Der feller dat is disappointed unless he is disappointed won't have de blues.

So long as a feller's kin air poor, he ignores the relationship, but ef dey air wealthy, he bores them with the appellation uv "Cousin."

Some fellers dat pick dair teeth wid a broom straw at home will raise more sand at a hotel than a frequenter uv Delmonico's ef de hostess don't pass de toothpicks.

De miser is a wart on de camera uv civilization.



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MAPLESVILLE.

The Southern is remodeling and fmprovfng its depot at this place, and will put in a telegraph office. The depot will also be repainted. All of which caused our town philosopher to remark that the Southern railroad was like a gossip—good at making something out of nothing.

The M. & O. depot is now complete, and will have a wire and agent put in this week. This depot is a daisy and modern in all respects, and speaks well for the generosity of our new railway.

The M. & O. is now complete to a point just beyond Prattville, and many of our boys are taking advantage of same by visiting their best girls in our sister city. But our girls are retaliating by having beaus from Prattville.

Mr. Lawrence's new ginnery is now nearing completion, and will be modern in all respects. His new store and ginnery are quite an addition to our town.

Our townsman, Mobeck, has returned to Thorsby, our Swedish colony in this county.

Sturdivant's restaurant is quite the fad here now, and his bill of fare catches the railroad boys.

Mr. Crumpton is now getting his store in shape again, and is taking a breathing spell since the railroad rush is over here. He says rest is mighty nice after a tremendous year's work. His clerk also enjoys a little rest and recreation.

War talk is plentiful, but volunteers are scarce.

Our prayermeetings and Sunday school are progressing favorably, and the Sunday school was treated to an able Biblical lecture on Sunday morning by the talented young Dr. Davis.

Several of our Randolph friends were visitors here Sunday and Monday.

Wonder why one of our boys was singing "Better late than never" Monday morning? He did not look disappointed, either. Probably the following poem, stolen from his letter box, will throw some light on the above query:

FATE.

All last week I pouted
Because my girl and I had outed.
At times I was sad,
At times I was mad.

And then again I was neither,
But liable unheralded to change back to either:
And all because the one (hoped for bride)
With me had refused to ride.

At the time love for another was the cause I believed,
But her sis said I was deceived,
For that was not the reason, [son.
And if I so said again I'd be guilty of trea-

So to see her last night I hied,
My heart full of (try to be) hate;
But getting there late and aided by fate
Her scolding was averted.
But still I am content,
And my garbs have not yet rent,
Nor have I to her her picture sent.
4-18-98.

Probably some of our young folk will recognize the parties from the poem. It sounds much like our lovesick swain.

Success to town and county news, all of which are condensed in your valuable paper by its enterprising management.

THE DUDE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

April 17: Officers and teachers present, 13; scholars present, 114; total, 127; on roll, 160; visitors, 0; collection, $1.73.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J H. McMath, secretary.

April 17: Scholars present, 103; scholars absent, 67; officers and teachers present, 17; officers and teachers absent, 3; visitors present, 3; total, 120. Collection, $1.54.

THE WEEKLY NEWS,

MONTEVALLO, ALA.

MONTEVALLO PUBLISHING COMPANY,

PUBLISHERS.

CLIFTON NEWTON, EDITOR.

Entered at the postoffice at Montevallo, Ala., as second-class mail matter.

Subscription $1.00 per year, in advance.

Thursday, April 21, '98.

Montevallo is one of the most prosperous little cities in Alabama. Its business enterprise and tireless energy have become too well known to need extended mention. It is the trading centre of a large area of thickly populated territory, and is the junction of the Southern railroad, which gives unexcelled facilities for transportation. Four regular passenger trains stop at the depot daily, running in every direction.

Montevallo has a population of 1,200 and is steadily growing. It has the Alabama Polytechnic Institute for Glirs; four churches afiord ample opportunity for those who wish to worship; branches of the most important secret societies are fully organized: the people never go to sleep, but keep up the hum of business every day in the year. Montevallo is well fitted to make a home for all enterprising men and women seeking a location. All such are welcomed, and letters of inquiry are cheerfully and promptly answered.

THE NEWS is published every Thursday, and is entered at the Montevallo postoffiee as second class matter.

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Any subscriber who gets us five new subscribers for one year will have his own subscription extended one year. The names need not all be sent in at once, but may be sent in one at a time. Show The News to your neighbors and take their subscriptions.

News items are always gladly received, subject to the editor's pencil. Spicy news communications are requested from any neighborhood. Local news items are desired always.

School teachers, ministers and physicians are especially requested to notify us of all reports, announcements, incidents, etc., that are of local interest.

Regular correspondents are desired in every town and community within fifteen miles of Montevallo. Write for terms and instructions to correspondents.

Short articles on subjects of interest can frequently be used. Articles dealing with politics, religion or personalities are not available for our use

Anonymous communications will not be noticed. Sign your name. It will not be puplished unless you desire it. Write on one side of the paper only, and be careful in giving the names and dates to have the letters and figures plain and distinct.

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Democratic County Ticket.

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D. R. McMILLAN.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK,
W. R. S. MILNER.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
DR. C. C. OLIVER.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
2nd District—R. J. Griffin.
4th District—B. F. Elliott.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
E. S. LYMAN.

When will we have a president in the chair?

NOTICE!

Just as soon as troops are called to the front, I expect to enlist, and will leave my paper in the hands of my compositor, G. D. Mitchell.

CLIFTON NEWTON.

How long, oh, Lord, how long will it be thus?

Mark says there will be no war. McKinley ditto.

Hanna has shown to the world who is president.

Where will the lightning strike Mc for the second term?

You can count on the Shelby Tigers in the event of war with Spain.

The lower end of Main street needs grading. The News will receive subscriptions for the work.

War seems to be inevitable. The South will gain fresh laurels, and no one will doubt the reunited union.

"A government of the people, by the people and for the people" is busted so far as the U. S. is concerned.

A figure-head in the presidential chair, controlled by a gambling syndicate, is rather tough on a proud people.

We are not in favor of war, but we are in favor of a government that has a nationa pride and upholds it at all cost.

With the stars and stripes trailed in the dust, how can an American hold up his head with the usual Yankee pride abroad?

Every patriotic citizen who desires to join the army, will please leave their names with the editor of the News, as he thinks Montevallo should organize a company at once and be ready to go to the front.

Just as we go to press, the latest war news is that the Spanish minister has been recalled from Washington, and that by next Monday everything will be in fighting order. Troops are now being mobilized along the coast, getting ready for battle.

Hon. Hector D. Lane died at his home in Athens, Ala., on the 19th inst., at 10 o'clock a. m. Mr. Lane suffered a stroke of paralysis some months ago, from which he never recovered. He served two terms as commissioner of agriculture, was president of the Cotton Growers' association, and was an extensive farmer and stock raiser. He was 48 years old at the time of his death.

The young girl who set fire to the buildings of the Industrial Institute and College for girls at Columbus, Miss., because she wanted to go home, was allowed to go home and escape prosecution on the ground that her mind was unbalanced. It would be generosity to attribute imbecility to the full-fledged politicians of the state who are trying to destroy the college through means more legal than arson, but whose efforts to do so are based upon ideas no more sane than those of the unfortunate girl who applied the torch.—Mobile Register.

SCHOOL NOTES.

This is a dull week.

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Where will you go vacation?

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School out the first of June.

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How do you like physical culture?

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My brother has gone to Hav—ana, Cuba.

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Girls are studying hard for examination.

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The commencement exercises will be grand.

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President Reynolds has gone to Montgomery.

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The girls are making their commencement dresses.

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The broom brigade will sail for Cuba in about six weeks.

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The millinery department is selling hats all over the State.

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Secretary Gibson will visit the Lone Star State after commencement.

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Miss Evans' cooking class are the favorites, especially when they have ice cream.

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There may be others, but the Alabama Polytechnical Institute at Montevallo is good enough for me.

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Have you heard anything about those beautiful singers singing "Hot times in the old town to evening?"

Intelligent Cotton Mill Labor.

One of the main reasons given by the New England cotton manufacturers for not transferring their operations to the South is that labor in this section does not come up to the high standard of intelligence and skill which characterizes the labor of New England operatives.

Strikingly at variance with this reason for not availing themselves of the immense advantages which the South offers, is the following letter written by one of the Fall River operatives and addressed to the Manufacturers' Record. Says the operative:

Dear sir i Am i am not Aguinted with the south Anv way what so ever if i was I culd answer your letter but as it is i dont see How i can At this time not nowing Anithing About the places i Have worked in the mill since i was 8 years old now i am just abour turn 40 i am in want of a supt Position i Have worked in every room in the mlll prity much can Do My work i have second Handed & Overseere And bin supt ten for 8 years and i am lookin for Just such a position you writing Me in regard too the south that is a place that i shuld like to look Over sum time there may bee something there that May be ofeum survis too Me dont no shure if your people nows Of anithing in My line i shuld be very Glad to Have them to bar me in Mind if there shuld be anithing i shall Bar you in mind Hopiug i shall be Able to ansure you leters sum day later On if i shuld go south i wanted under stud that i Am Just as good a Manufacture too day as i Hever was up with the times and everything pertaining a cotton mill Hoping i shall Here from you soon Very truly yours.

Hoping that you Will do what ever you cad for me thrug your papers And what ever wire pulling you May Have With aney one i can refer you to any supt Or tres in fall river Nety Machine Masons Mac Whitins Machine or Drapers at Ope dale or William Walsh at Drapers any of these you or aney one els can Write to them About sober Man never was drunk in my life sir these men Now me all of them.

Of course this letter is not published as a specimen of the attainments of the average operator in the New England cotton mills. Most of the operatives employed in these mills are undoubtedly much further advanced than the one in question; but coming as it does just at this time, the foregoing letter is not without its amusing interest.

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Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

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Pastor.

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Mr. Eugene Reynolds, of Blocton, was in town the first of the week.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

For Sale.—A good typewriter for $25 00. Apply at the News office.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. Crowe.

Several of our young men attended the double wedding at Boothton Sunday.

J. W. Martin, Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Capt. Henry A. Tayloe, of Gallion, Ala., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. D. W. Shivers.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

Our Maplesville correspondent is evidently in love. Read his poem elsewhere

Mr. Henry Lyman, of Birmingham, is visiting his brothers, Messrs. E. S. and Will Lyman.

Prescriptions carefully compounded by F. F. Crowe & Co.

Dr. E. G. Givhan left Tuesday for Birmingham, to attend the State Medical Association.

Hon. E. S. Lyman left Tuesday for Montgomery, to attend the State Democratic Convention.

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Capt. H. C. Reynolds went to Montgomery yesterday to attend the State Democratic Convention.

Mr. S. S. Allen spent several days in Blocton this week on business for H. C. & W. B. Reynolds.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Burgess Little visited his parents at Blocton Saturday evening and returned Monday morning.

Mrs. L. H. Lyman left a few days ago for Birmingham, on a visit to the family of her son, H. D. Lyman.

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Plain girls will look beautiful if adorned with the ribbons just received by Morgan Bros.

The Western Union will open an office up town about the first of May, and Capt. D. W. Shivers will handle the keys.

Take your scissors to Felix Dotson when you want them sharpened. Satisfaction guaranteed, or no money.

Mr. W. Canterberry is going to add another story to his residence. Bids are now out, and several mechanics are figuring on it.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

If Burgess will practice every evening, we think he will make a good buglist by the time war is declared with Spain.

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Dr. F. F. Crowe has purchased from Mr. T. J. Williams a lot 91 feet front, and will erect a nice residence on it. The lot is between the residence of D. C. Savage and Jacksonville.

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Found.—In the News building, in a room adjoining our composing room, about four dozen window blinds, which the owner can have by proving property and paying for this notice.

We are to have a telephone line this summer. We are informed that a long distance telephone line will run from Birmingham to Montgomery, and will come by Montevallo. Good news, if true.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mr. I. D. Hix, of Aldrich, was in town yesterday, and gave us a pleasant call. Mr. Hix informed us that he would in a short time add a nice line of furniture to his undertaking business.

Mr. C. L. Meroney attended the meeting of the Grand Lodge K. of H. at Mobile last week, and reports having had a most excellent time. He is loud in his praise of the Mobile people for their hospitality.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mr. Elisha Fancher, of Ashby. He went to Selma last week to have an operation performed for ulcer of the head. It will be several months before he is entirely well.

Mr. R. E. Dill left last Saturday for Bessemer, where he gees to seek employment. Mr. Dill is a clever, sober, industrious and accommodating gentleman, and we cheerfully recommend him to the good people of Bessemer. We wish him success wherc'er his lot may be cast.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mr. Charlton Smith, of Brierfield, informed us a few days ago that Capt. H. C. Reynolds had deeded to him the lot adjoining W. B. Reynoids, on condition that he would build a nice residence on said lot. Mr. Smith will erect a $2,000 residence on his lot in the near future.

Our office was graced Monday afternoon by the presence of two beautiful and lovely young ladies, who were anxious to see how type were set and how the paper was printed. We are always glad to have the young ladies call, and will take pleasure in showing them around whenever they come. If they wish to see the press at work, we would advise them to come on Thursdays.

A DOUBLE WEDDING.

Married, on Sunday, 17th inst., at Boothton, by Rev. Isaac Walker, of Green Pond, Mr. Bamie Booth and Miss Millie Howard; also Mr. Chris Harmon and Miss Leila Booth. The News extends hearty congratulations to the happy young couples, and wishes for them long, happy and prosperous lives.

"Capt. Jack" Mills, an itinerant printer, from "most any old place," gave us a call Friday and remained until Sunday morning. We found Capt. Jack to be a very interesting gentleman. He had letters in his possession showing that he had seen better days. About twelve years ago he settled in Florida and invested his all in a home and an orange grove. The freeze of 93 94 killed all of his trees, and he was again forced to return to his trade. He was a Texas ranger for a long time, and while in that capacity he started his graveyard, having killed four men. He showed us a number of scars on his body, made by bullets, knives and Indian arrows. He suffers a great deal at times yet from the effects of a bullet in his right lung, which he says has been there for twenty-one years. He left Sunday morning for Selma, and said if he did not get work there, he would go on to "just any old place."

After years of untold suffering from piles, B W Pursell, of Knituersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. F. F. Crowe & Co.

On Suuday evening last, tired of sitting around our office, we took a walk to the cemetery, and are ashamed to say we found this hallowed spot in a very dilapidated condition. Some of the tombstones have fallen down, some of the small enclosures have rotted down, many of the graves are sadly neglected, some of the fence needs repairing to keep hogs out, and the whole place needs a general cleaning up. As next Tuesday, the 26th inst., is memorial day, we would suggest that all having loved ones buried in the Montevallo cemetery meet at that place Saturday morning about 8 or 9 o'clock, bringing hoes, rakes, brooms, hammers, nails, etc., and spend the day in cleaning off and beautifying the graves of those who were dear to us in life. Though dead, they should not be forgotten, and their last resting place ought never to be neglected. Although we haven't any relatives buried here, we will gladly lend a helping hand and assist others. We hope to see a good crowd turn out Saturday. Don't one wait for another, if you do, nobody will come. All who intend going will please leave their names at the News office.

G. W. Shackelford, D. D. S., will be in Montevallo April 25th, and will remain for three days only. Dr. Shackelford is well known here as a first-class dentist, and those desiring good work will do well to give him a call.

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State of Alabama, Shelby County.

Oscar Whitfield, et als, Complainant, vs. Alabama Iron & Steel Co. et als, Defendant. } In Chancery, Sixth District, North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of W. S. Cary, agent for complainants, that the defendants, Carrie S. Plumb, who resides in Emporia, State of Kansas; George I. Seney, resides in the city of New York, State of New York; M S. Pomeroy resides in the city of Washington, District of Columbia; Justin A. Morrill resides in the State of Vermont; Samuel Thomas resides in the State of Pennsylvania; C. S. Brice resides in the State of Ohio, and that the Central Trust Company has its place of business in the City of New York, State of New York, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are over the age of twenty-one years.

It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Montevallo News, a newspaper published in the city of Montevallo, Ala., once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring them, the said Carrie S. Plumb, George I. Seney, M. S. Pomeroy, Justin A. Morrill, Samuel Thomae, C. S. Brice, the Central Trust Company, a body corporate, to plead, answer or demur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 28th day of April, A. D., 1898, or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against them.

Done at office, in Columbiana, this 26th day of March, A. D., 1898.

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Register.

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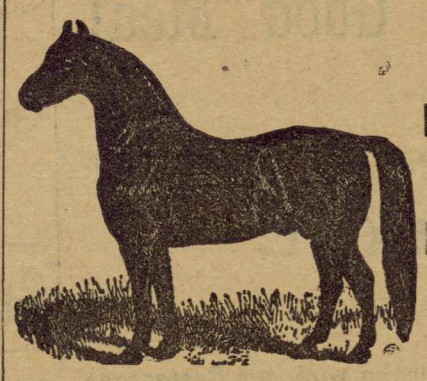

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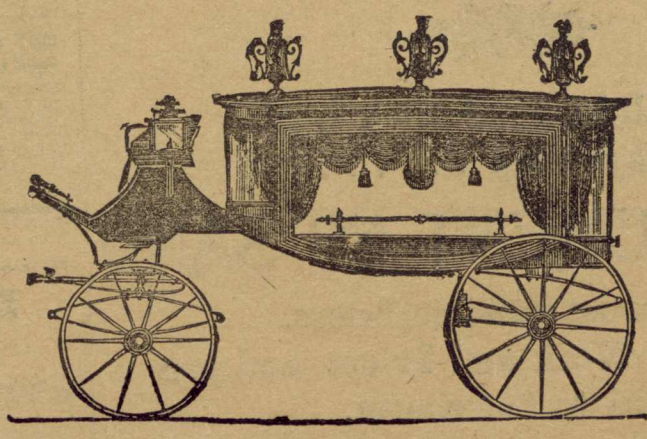

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These prizes are easily obtained and the four young persons who make the most telling efforts and appeal to their friends for help will win them. The NEWS wants to add 1000 subscribers to its list within the next three months. To accomplish this end it offers the scholarships to the four ladies or gentlemen who secure the greatest number of votes in our

EASTMAN COLLEGE CONTEST

which is started to-day and will close with the last issue of the NEWS for August, 1898. Every ballot cut from this paper counts one vote. Certificates for votes acquired by new subscriptions and renewals will be issued with ballot annexed, which must be filled out and forwarded to be counted. No votes except those written on the printed ballots cut from the columns of this paper or those allowed for subscription and renewals will be counted. Extra copies of the NEWS may be obtained at 5 cents per copy.

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THE PLATFORM.

We the democrats of Alabama, in convention assembled, do reaffirm our unalterable faith in the principles declared in our platform, adopted in 1896, and especially in the platform adopted at Chicago, July of the same year, not so much because those platforms were declarations of our party but for the much higher reason that the principles therein announced are the principles upon which the democratic party and the Federal government are foun ed, and because those principles are eternally true.

"We favor the improvement of our public common schools and demand that appropriations for their support be gradually increased as our people are able to bear the additional burden.

"We declare that the principles of the democratic government imperatively require that no person or class of persons shall be privileged from bearing their just share of all the burdens of government, and we therefore commend the action of the present administration in forcing lawfully, all persons to pay their due proportion of taxes for the suppart of the state government, and we favor the amendment of our laws whenever necessary, so as to attain this wise and just end."

This is the year for the Shelby Democrats.

There was very little interest taken in the Populist primaries held here last Saturday. A. P. Longshore defeated G. B. Dean for probate judge by 126 votes. The balance of the ticket is as follows: Circuit clerk, J. P. Pearson; Representative, W. H. Sturdivant; Superintendent of Education, E. Williams.

Editing this paper is a nice business. If we publish jokes people say we are "rattle-headed." If we don't we are an old fossil. If we publish original matter they say we don't give them enough selections. If we give them selections they say we are too lazy to write. If we remain in the office we ought to get out and hustle for "locals"; if we go out then we are not attending to our business. If we don't go to church we are a heathen. If we do then we are a hypocrite. If we wear old clothes they laugh at us; if we wear good ones they say we have a "pull." Now what are we to do? Just as likely as not someone will say we stole this item from our exchanges, and so we did!

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Methodist Sunday School, Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, superintendent; C. C. Vandegrift, secretary.

April 24: Officers and teachers present, 12; scholars present, 114; total, 126: on roll, 160; visitors, 0; collection, $1.93.

Baptist Sunday School, Will Lyman, superintendent; J. H. McMath, secretary.

April 24: Scholars present, 105; scholars absent, 65; officers and teachers present, 17; officers and teachers absent, 3; visitors present, 3; total, 125. Collection, $1.14.

SCHOOL NOTES.

The many friends of Miss Mattie May Barker are glad to welcome her back to school, after quite a seige of illness.

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Among our visitors this week were Mr. Burgess Little and Mr. Loveman, who visited all the departments.

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Miss Maggie Mott was delighted by a visit from her two sisters, who spent several days with her last week.

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Several of our teachers went up to Birmingeam last Thursday to hear James Whitcomb Riley. We regret deeply that we could not have this great genius visit our school.

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Miss Louise Aiston has resumed her duties as teacher, after a week's illness.

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Memorial day was observed Tuesday, April 26th, by the program containing articles on Generals Lee and Johnston. Miss Millie Coats gave an account of Alabama's brave soldier, John Pelham, which was much enjoyed by all present.

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Our morning exercises have been a boon to timid girls. Those who at first approached the rostrum with "fear and trembling," now render their numbers with the greatest composure.

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The great topics of conversation now, are commencement, commencement dresses, and—examinations.

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Mrs. Nelson and Miss McComb, with a party of young ladies, enjoyed a picnic at Falling Rock Saturday.

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Mrs. Babb has promised us a picnic, and when the warm days come we long to enjoy the treat.

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Mrs. Babb has promised to deliver a lecture to her Bible history class. It will be given Saturday, but we are even willing to give up our Saturday to enjoy such a treat as it promises to be.

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Miss Wilde, of Chicago, is expected to visit the school this week. While here she will address the school.

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Should you chance to pass music hall No. 1 and hear unearthly sounds proceeding therefrom, don't be alarmed; it is only Miss Francis exercising her vocal organs.

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Our President spent several days in Montgomery last week, and while there was the guest of Ex Gov. Oates.

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In order that our President may overcome his "natural timidity," he is put on the program every week to give us the current news. Last week he gave us an account of his conversation with Hannis Taylor, who has recently returned from Spain. Mr. Taylor had considerable to say about Spanish manners, customs, and affairs in general.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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Coroner Dr. J. M. Babb was in town Monday on legal business.

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Capt. H. C. Reynolds made a business visit to Birmingham this week.

A big lot of fresh garden seed just received. F. F. CROWE.

Mr. J. M. Armstrong, of Oxford, spent a few days in our town this week.

J. W. Martin. Montevallo, pays good prices for all old gold and silver.

Private Allen, of Oxford, came down to see his friends before leaving for Cuba.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand and can deliver it on short notice.

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Mr. J. N. Campbell, of Blocton. is in town to-day. Mr. Campbell says two companies are being formed at Blocton, preparatory to going to the front.

In the election of officers at the late Sunday School Convention at Birmingham, our townsman, Dr. D L. Wilkinson, was unanimously elected alternate orator.

The citizens of Montevallo are petitioning the county commissioners for a new road to Aldrich; said road to run the way the path now goes, thus cutting off at least one mile.

The Birmingham News complimented Dr. D. L. Wilkinson very highly on the paper he read before the Sunday School Convention recently held in that city.

TO MY PATRONS.

I wish to state that I have retired from the bakery business, and have rented my oven to Mr. George Tompkins, who will in future conduct the business. I thank my friends for their patronage, and ask a continuance of the same for my successor.

I think I have furnished Montevallo with a first-class baker, and also a first-class butcher, and hope the good people will appreciate this fact and patronize these gentlemen.

Respectfully,
T. A. BEST.

A SUDDEN DEATH.

Mr. H. Clay Fancher, one of our oldest citizens, died very suddenly at his residence in this place last Monday night about 12 o'clock. He had been confined to his bed for several days with an attack of grip, and was getting along nicely, and expected to sit up Tuesday. But in the moment of victory the disease attacked his heart and carried him away in the twinkling of an eye. He was 56 years old at the time of his death. He leaves a widow and six children, most of whom are grown. The remains were carried to Carleton Hill cemetery yesterday and there interred with masonic honors. The News extends sympathy to the bereaved family in their hour of trouble.

A CASE OF INFANTICIDE.

On Thursday evening of last week the body of a dead infant was found near Shoal Creek. A dog belonging to Mr. M. C. Banks found the body in the creek and had brought it ashore. Mr. George Lawrence made the discovery, and immediately reported the find, and soon a crowd had gathered to witness the ghastly sight. The body was left in charge of Henry Allen, colored, until Friday, when Esq. James Ozley empanneled a jury and held an inquest over the body. Drs. Givhan and Acker were present at the inquest, and made a very close examination of the child. In their examination they dissected out one of the infant's lungs and demonstrated very conclusively to the jury that the child was not prematurely born, that it had breathed, and that it had met its death by being drowned. After the coroner and jury heard the decision of the doctors, they spent considerable time in gathering testimony as to who was the guilty party. It seems from all the testimony gathered, that the child belonged to a negro woman, who resided near the depot, and had been thrown into the millpond, between town and the depot, by its mother. It also developed in the evidence that there had probably been another case of infanticide in the same family some time ago, and an inquisition was taken in that also. The coroner issued a warrant for murder in one case and for manslaughter in the other, based upon the verdicts respectively.

The following are the sentiments of some of our citizens on the war question:

George Kroell—"I will go with the Shelby Tigers."

C. C. Vandegrift—"We old Confederates will help fight if needed."

B. F. Crabbe—"I am too busy bombarding high prices; besides, I have to look out for the widow."

J. A. F. Pynor—"I am too old to be of much service, but will go if necessary, if I can't do anything else but keep the boys' shoes patched."

F. F. Crowe—"I can't leave the post-office."

Alex. A. Wall—"I can't leave the drummers."

C. L. Meroney—"I haven't lost any Spaniards, but will be there if needed."

Major Strong keeps quiet.

Fred Reynolds—"I am not hunting war."

R. T. Newton—"I am too large to fight, but will go if Uncle Sam can use me."

J. W. Martin—"Let the light heads go first."

F. W. Rogan—"I am not aching to go."

Capt. H. C. Reynolds has not been heard from.

Burgess Little—"Am busy. Can't leave the bank."

S. A. Lasham—"I will go when Spaniards are invading this country."

We did not dream the above but heard it; therefore its kerrect.

Mr. B. F. Crabbe, the hustling proprietor of the New York Racket Store, recently received the following order, and handed the seme to us for publication:

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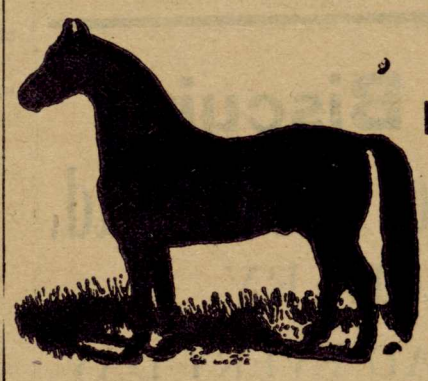

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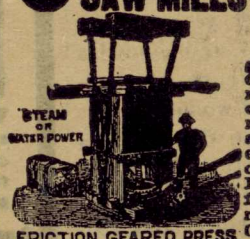

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DEWEY AND HIS CAPTAINS.

Commodore George Dewey is an old warrior of the navy, who got his christening of fire aboard the old steam sloop Mississippi, under Farragut, in the early days of the civil war. Commodore Dewey is now about 61 years old. He belongs in Vermont, and he was appointed to the naval academy from that state in September, 1854. Four years later, when he was graduated, he was sent aboard the steam frigate Wabash, for a cruise in the Mediterranean. Dewey got his commission as lieutenant on April 19th, 1861, eight days after Fort Sumter was fired upon, and he was immediately assigned to join the Mississippi and do duty with the west gulf squadron. He was on the Mississippi when she took part with Farragut's other vessels in forcing an entrance to the Mississippi river, and again when the fleet ran the gauntlet of fire from the forts below New Orleans in April, 1862, and forced the surrender of that city. The ship he was in belonged to Capt. Bailey's division of the fleet which attacked Fort St. Philip.

The hottest fight that the Mississippi ever engaged in was her last one, and this was perhaps as hot as any of the war. In March, 1863, the fleet tried to run by the Confederate batteries at Port Hudson. Some of the ships got as far as a narrow part of the channel, where they met land batteries almost muzzle to muzzle, and then they were forced to retreat. The Mississippi did not get as far as this. A foggy day had been chosen for the attempt, and this was soon made more obscure by the smoke of battle, and amid this the Mississippi lost her bearings and ran ashore.

Her officers found that she had struck just under the guns of a battery in the middle of the line of fortifications and one of the strongest of the lot. In half an hour twenty-five shots struck the vessel and she was riddled from end to end. There was no chance to save her, and her crew took to their boats and landed on the opposite side of the river, after setting her on fire. Soon lightened by the loss of her crew and by the fire, she drifted off, and, blazing and saluting with bursting shells, she drifted down the river, until finally the fire reached her magazines, and her career was ended in one great explosion.

Dewey was next attached to the steam gunboat Agawam of the North Atlantic squadron, and he took part in the two attacks made on Fort Fisher in December, 1864, and January, 1865. In March, 1865, he got his commission as lieutenant commander, and as such served on the famous old Kearsage and on the Colorado, the flagship of the European squadron, until 1868, when he had the Narragansett, doing special duty. He became a commander in April, 1872, and still on the Narragansett, making surveys of the Pacific until 1876, when he was made a lighthouse inspector, and later secretary of the lighthouse board. He commanded the Juniata in the Asiatic station in 1882-83, and in September, 1884, was made a captain and put in charge of the Dolphin, one of the four vessels which formed the original "White Squadron." The following year he was sent to command the flagship Pensacola on the European squadron, and he stayed there until 1888, when he became the chief of the bureau of equipment and recruiting, with the rank of commodore. This place he held until 1893, when he was made a member of the lighthouse board. He got his commission as commodore on February 28, 1896, and at about the same time was made president of the board of inspection and survey. This place he held until he was put in command of the Asiatic station, in January of this year.

Captain Charles V. Gridley was born

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in Indiana, and appointed from Michigan, graduating in 1863, and being assigned to the steam sloop Oneida, where he served for two years. He was at the battle of Mobile bay, and at the close of the war was ordered to the Brooklyn, the flagship of the Brazil squadron, where he served for two years. He commanded the Marion, and is now commanding the Olympia. He was made a captain in March, 1897.

Captain Nehemiah M. Dyer was born in Providencetown, Mass., in 1839, served in the merchant service from the age of 14 to 20, enlisted and served in the Fourth Battalion of Rifles, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was with Banks' division, Army of the Potomac. In April, 1862, he was appointed an acting mate in the navy. He was made a lieutenant in the regular army in 1868, and a few months afterward was promoted. He has commanded several vessels in the last twenty years, and now has charge of the Baltimore.

Captain Joseph B. Coghlan was born in Kentucky and appointed from Illinois. He graduated in 1863. He was promoted two years later, and was assigned to the flagship Brooklyn, where he served for two years. He was executive officer of the Pawnee in 1867, and on the steam frigate Guerriere in 1868. He commands the Raleigh.

Commander Benjamin P. Lamberton, the second ranking officer of his class in the navy, and at present commanding the Boston, was born in Pennsylvania, and graduated from the naval academy in 1865. He was promoted to the rank of commander in 1885, and from 1888 to 1889 was commandant of the Norfolk navy yard. He then commanded the training ship Jamestown for two years, and then went to the bureau of yards and docks.

Commander Asa Walker, of the Concord, has been in the naval service since November 2, 1862. He is a native of New Hampshire. March 12, 1868, he was made an ensign; March 26, 1869, a master; March 21, 1870, a lieutenant; December 12, 1884, a lieutenant commander, and April 11, 1894, a commander. He has served fifteen years at sea, and eighteen years on shore or special duty. He was named to the Concord May 22 last.

Commander Oscar W. Frencholt, of the Monocacy, was born in Texas. He has seen fifteen years at sea and sixteen years on shore or special duty.

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From Our War Correspondent.

[Special to Montevallo News.]

CAMP CLARK, May 2, 1898.

Sitting under the shade of an historic live oak, on the beautiful bay of Mobile, and looking toward the gulf, where the sight is lost in the dim vista and blue regions beyond, and my thoughts returning homeward, I write this letter.

The day is calm and one typical of this lovely climate. In our rear is the level camp ground of about fifty acres, where the usual peaceful quietude is now broken by marching men in blue uniform with guns and shining bayonets to the tune of martial music.

The scene is not one of love, but all the same it is inspiring. It bespeaks grim war with shot and shell directed by the flower of the nation in a cause as holy as that of the revolution.

But epochs of this character make history, and now I will give you a brief description of the campaign of the Alabama troops up to date. Having joined the Warrior Guards of Tuscaloosa, with eighty strong, we left that point at three o'clock Sunday morning for Birmingham, where we met the Birmingham troops. The scene at the depot beggars description. At least five thousand people, composed of old and young, were gathered there to bid godspeed and say it may be a last farewell. The ladies were all laden with flowers for the soldier boys. Old veterans and their sons were also there. The scene was grand. Nature, too, seemed to be in unison, for the day was a beautiful Sabbath. Shouts which seemed to reach the heavens, went up at intervals, ladies and soldiers talked and laughed; but under it allwas the earnest thought of what seriousness may rest in the future. Men and women wept, laughed and talked. Each soldier was laden with flowers, and almost every one was given a Bible, a beautiful and silent tribute to the great character of our people.

As the train went out, the air was rent with shouts. The scene was beautiful and sad too. Thus we left Birmingham. All along the road at every station the beauty and gallantry of our people were gathered. There were flowers everywhere, and whenever the long train stopped we were greeted with cheers. In old Montgomery the salute of cannon greeted us, and our distinguished governor was also there to encourage the boys.

We arrived in Mobile and went at once into camp. The camp is situated on the bay on the famous Friscati grounds.

It will take too long to write now, the bugle blast calls me in.

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R. L. RICE.

Fourth Sergeant Hugh Collins, of the Birmingham Rifles, was shot and killed at Camp Clark, Mobile, Tuesday about 1 p. m. by a negro named Louis Reese. The murderer was captured and jailed. Collins' remains were shipped to Brooklyn, Miss., where his father resides. The murder cast a deep gloom over the camp, and if the negro could have been found by the soldiers before the officers got him, he would have been lynched.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

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Mr. George Kroell showed us a cannon the other day—a regular mountain howitzer—which he says will be placed in readiness to defend our town from any invasion.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found a very interesting communication by our special war correspondent at Mobile. We hope he will send us a newsy letter every week.

Mr. Lester North, an old Montevallo boy, who went to Mobile with one of the Birmingham companies, failed to pass an examination on account of his eyes.

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We were in error last week in regard to the paper Dr. Wilkinson read before the S. S. Convention at Birmingham. It should have been the Medical Association. As Dr. Wilkinson attended both, the mistake was very easily made.

An unfortunate difficulty occurred at the depot this morning just before the Southern came in. There was a llttle blood spilt, but none of the combatants were seriously hurt. We suppose they are getting in practice to fight the Spaniards.

We have received our new press and type, and as we have had to lose considerable time in getting it from the depot to the office, we are compelled to appear somewhat short of reading matter, in order to get out on time. Next week we will have eight pages, all home print.

Mrs. J. L. McConaughy is in Selma this week attending the Fourth Annual Convention of Federation of Women's Clubs of Alabama. She read two very interesting papers before the convention, and was appointed on a special committee to inform the Federation how it could put itself in close touch with the Montevallo school.

The other day we overheard some of the school girls singing: "We don't want to buy at your store, we won't trade there any more; you'll be sorry when you see us going to some other store. You can't sell us any stale goods; we have opened wide our eyes. We don't want to trade at your store, 'cause you do not advertise!"

In company with quite a number of our citizens, we went to Calera on last Sunday morning to see the soldier boys pass through on their way to Mobile. There was a large crowd at the depot when the train rolled in, and cheer after cheer went up from both citizens and soldiers. Much enthusiasm was shown the boys. Quite a number of ladies were also present, who spoke cheering words to the soldiers and bade them Godspeed and a safe return. Several amusing incidents happened while the train was at the depot. Some of the soldiers cut buttons from their clothes and exchanged them with the ladies for flowers.

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Mrs. Harris was Miss Hattie Brown before marriage. She is a daughter of the late A. R. Brown, and was raised in Montevallo, where she has a host of friends, who deeply sympathize with her in the sad death of her little girl.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Miss Edna Nelson has returned to school after a visit to her home at Columbiana.

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Capt. Reynolds left Tuesday for Washington, where he will remain for several days.

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The art class will entertain the "Studiosis" Friday afternoon with a strawberry social.

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Miss Lucy Leeper has as her guest her mother, who will spend some time with her.

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Picnics to Falling Rock are very popular these fine Saturdays, and there were several this past week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roebuck, of Birmingham, spent Saturday and Sunday with their daughter, Miss Jeanette.

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Miss Carrie Lum spent several days at her home in Montgomery, returning to her school duties last Tuesday.

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Miss Evrette Bozeman was delighted by a visit from her father, who spent several days with her last week.

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Mrs. Milner, of Birmingham, has taken charge of the cooking department, and will give lessons in practical cooking.

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Among our visitors this week was Mrs. Mims Walker, of Faunsdale, who is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Reynolds.

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Miss Wilde delivered an address to the school, while here, and formed a Young Women's Christian Association, of which Miss Bertie Allen was made president.

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Last Friday the Normal class, chaperoned by several of the teachers, attended an Institute at Brierfield. The following teachers and girls were in the party: Misses Kennedy, Fitts and Haley; Misses Ida Reynolds, Susie Stubbs, Rena Tait, Kate Meddleton, Jennie Clarke, Melissa Thornton, Pleasye Northington, Etta Davis, Carrie McCalley, Dora Fonde, Ida Horn, Margaret McArdle, Bertie Allen and May Lenoir. Messrs. Abernethy and Edgar Carey were the gentlemen of the party. They spent a most enjoyable day, and are loud in the praise of the hospitable manner in which the people of Brierfield entertained them.

BLOCTON ITEMS.

The mines were idle for several days last week.

Blocton will have a new paper in the near future.

Mrs. C. T. Duncan is very ill and not expected to recover.

Charley Milam went to Coaling last Sunday to see his best girl.

Mr. Henry Jackson spent Monday and Tuesday of this week on his farm near British.

About twenty of our young men have joined the army, and have gone to Cuba to "fite" the Spaniards.

Dennis Mitchell came over from Montevallo Friday night and spent Saturday and Sunday with his family.

Mrs. G. D. Mitchell and her two youngest children have been on the sick list for the past two weeks. They are improving now.

A negro was killed in No. 3 mine last Saturday morning about 11 o'clock by a trip of loaded cars running over him. His body was horribly mangled.

Capt. B. J. Large and family, of Six Mile, visited friends and relatives here last Sunday. Capt. Large is an old railroad man. He used to be a conductor on the old Selma, Rome & Dalton road. He will return to the road in a short while, and will be conductor on the M. & O. from Selma to Birmingham, via Centreville.

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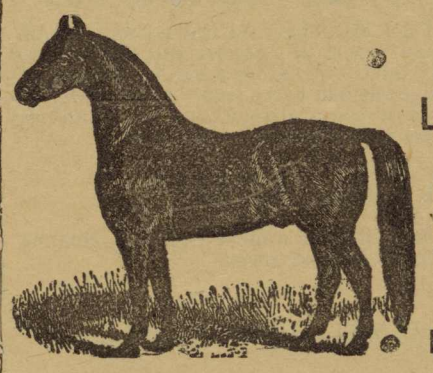

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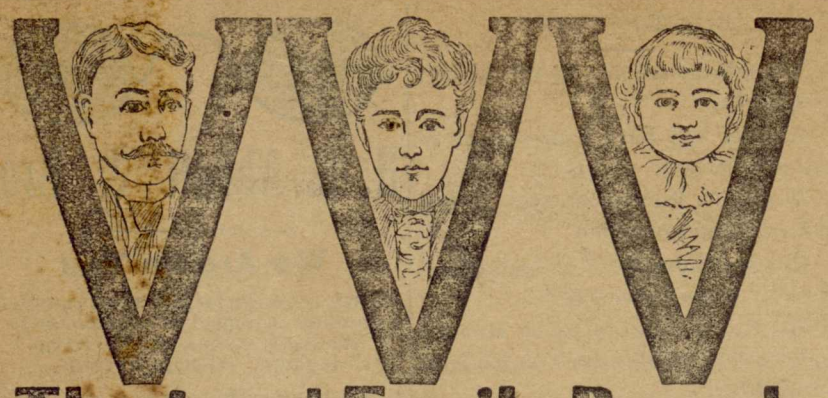

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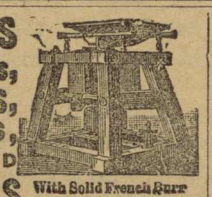

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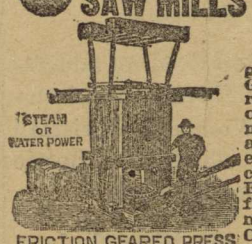

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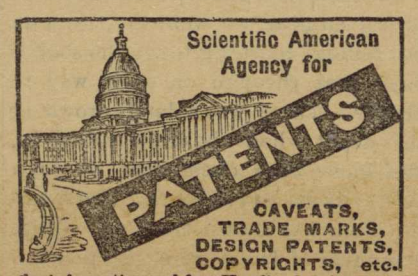

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MASSA HENRY AND TOM.

Massa Henry, dey tell me youse gwinter git
married an' settle down in life,
But youse already picked out de gal youse
gwinter make yoah wife;
An' dey say she's powerful good 'ookin' an'
can make de piano ring,
But I wants ter tell you dis, Massa Hen,
beauty and looks don't mount to ebery-
ting

I'se luved you since you was a baby boy,
an' yoah good old fader before,
An' I'se promised to meet him on dat bright
an' golden shore;
So how's I gwine ter meet him at de end of
dis heah life,
If I didn't give you some good advice when
youse pickin' you a wife?

Dar's more in dis worl' dan beauty, fer dat
is jes' skin deep,
But a good and lubly temper is sweet an'
'twill always keep;
An' happiness don't trabel wid money, as a
lot ob folks suppose,
An' de sweetes' gal ain't always found in
silk an' satin close.

Now if youse foun' dis kind ob a gal, take
dis, ole Tom's advice:
Always meet her half ob de way an' keep
her temper nice.
You tote de wood, shovel de snow, an' lub
her all you can,
An' when ole age comes an' yoah hair is
gray, you'll find a happy man.

A woman's life is strange, boy, but it grows
strong on luv,
For dat's de gift God gabe her when He
sent her frum abuv;
An' in sickness an' sorrow she'll be a sweet,
luvin' wife,
If you'll do yoah share to make her's a
bright and happy life.

Closing Exercises

Girls' Industrial School

LARGE CROWDS PRESENT.

The closing exercises of the Girls' Industrial School occupied the first three days of the week. On Sunday, Rev. A. W. McGaha, of Fort Worth Texas, delivered the commencement sermon in the college chapel. We were not present, but have heard the sermon very highly spoken of. Dr. McGaha preached again Sunday night in the college chapel.

Monday night was the art exhibition. There were 467 pieces in pencil, charcoal, crayon, pastel, water colors, oil, etc. There were also 135 pieces in china painting. This class was just opened in January of this year, and the pieces on exhibition show what remarkable skill the pupils have made in such a short time. Miss McCombs, the art teacher, deserves great praise for the work that has been accomplished during the present session.

THE GRAND CONCERT.

The NEWS man made one of the largest audiences Tuesday evening that ever assembled in the chapel of the Girls' Industrial School, and his musical ear was filled with harmony and he fairly reveled with the old composers in some of their choicest works, while his artistic senses were thrilled and intoxicated by the presence of so much beauty.

The occasion of the assemblage was the annual public recital of the musical classes. To only say that the young ladies were good would be doing them and their instructors an injustice, for the painstaking care of both were so palpable that the dullest person could easily see that the performance of all the participants was excellent.

To mention all the performers personally would take more room than our limited space this week will allow, so we will content ourselves with a few, and hope all will take the will for the deed.

To let the vocal solo by Miss Carrie Lum and the concerto in G minor by Miss Mae Roark go without special mention would show that we could neither appreciate the sweet or the sublime. The Song-Joy, the Piano Quartette, Jubel Overture, was far above the average, and a fair sample of all the evening's entertainment.

Lovely, smiling faces,
Eyes shining and bright,
Pictured sweet, pure souls
At the chapel Tuesday night.

The chapel was again crowded Wednesday morning. Gov. Johnston was booked to deliver an address before the school, but from some cause unknown to us he failed to come. The audience was not disappointed, however, for several of the trustees delivered addresses and short talks were made by several of the young lady pupils.

At night a Shakesperean burlesque was well rendered to a crowded house. The cast was excellent, and each young lady did herself justice in her particular role. Miss Margaret McArdle as Lady Macbeth, and Miss Mary Burnett as Portia, were especially good, and showed much historic talent.

In a few well chosen remarks Dr. Geo. B. Eager, of Montgomery, delivered to thirty-six young ladies certificates of proficiency in the different branches of industry.

Capt. Reynolds closed the exercises in a short address, thanking the people for their presence and good behavior during all of the exercises, and spoke of the great good this school was doing for the girls of Alabama.

Thus closed the second annual session of the Girls' Industrial School of Alabama.

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The Industrial School closed last night, and to-day the girls are bidding each other farewell, and are leaving on every train for their respective homes.

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Business will be very quiet in our town from now until fall.

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THE CAUSE OF OUR SUSPENSION.

On Saturday, May 7th, about 12 o'clock M., while we were removing our hand press down stairs to be shipped off, the steps gave way, precipitating ourself and compositor to the ground, a distance of about twenty feet. In the fall we had a gash about six inches long bruised in our left hip to the bone. We were unconscious from the time we fell until about daylight Sunday morning. We were confined to the bed for ten days, and have been hobbling around on crutches for the past two weeks.

Our compositor, G. D. Mitchell, was hurt internally on the right side, and was unable to do anything for two weeks. He returned to his post of duty last week, and we hope to be able to come out on time hereafter, provided we don't happen to another accident.

We had Jack Ozley, Ed Ozley and John Moore, colored, employed to help us to get the press down stairs. In the accident Ed Ozley had one of his knee caps badly hurt, John Moore had one of his big toes mashed off, and Jack Ozley was unhurt.

We are very thankful we got off as light as we did, for it is a great wonder some of us were not killed.

We hereby extend our heartfelt thanks to the good people of Montevallo for their aid and assistance. Especially do we return thanks to Mrs. Bryan and daughter, Miss Florrie, Mrs. Horn and daughter, Miss Ida, and the young ladies boarding with Mrs. Horn for their kindness in ministering to our wants a few moments after the accident. They did everything in their power to alleviate our suffering. We will never forget these noble ladies for their kindness on that occasion.

We also return thanks to Mesdames Kroell and Vandegrift for delicacies sent us during the time we were confined to the bed.

The God of wars is surely with Uncle Sam is his fight with Spain.

Capt. Gage is determined to command negro troops, and is now out recruiting.

The colonial possessions will create more offices for presidential appointments.

Admiral Cervera is kept busy now guessing when he will again see Spain.

American powder backed up dy American grit is making the Spaniards awfully sore about now.

Fitz Hugh Lee will ere long call upon General Blanco, and he won't be too busy to receive him this time.

If, as his friends say, Schley duplicates Commodore Dewey's victory, Spain will be wondering where she is at.

The Spaniards didn't hit a d—n thing but the ocean, and would have missed that if it hadn't been so big, said fighting Bob Evans.

From the present indications, bellicose France and Germany are beginning to look for the holes in their hats through which they have been talking.

Democratic County Ticket.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE,
D. R. McMILLAN

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK,
W. R. S. MILNER

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
DR. C. C. OLIVER.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
2nd District—R. J. Griffin.
4th District—B. F. Elliott.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
E. S. LYMAN.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
JOSEPH F. JOHNSTON,
of Jefferson.

Chief Justice,
THOS. McCLELLAN,
of Limestone.

Associate Justices.
JOHN R. DOWDELL,
of Chambers.

JOHN R. TYSON,
of Montgomery.

JOHN HARALSON,
of Dallas.

H. A. SHARP,
of Jefferson.

For Secretary of State,
R. P. McDAVID,
of Montgomery.

For Auditor,
WALTER S. WHITE,
of Colbert.

For Treasurer.
GEORGE W. ELLIS,
of Montgomery.

For Attorney-General,
CHARLES G. BROWN,
of Jefferson.

For Superintendent of Education,
JOHN G. ABERCROMBIE,
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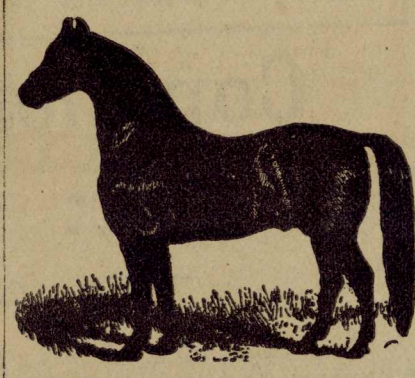

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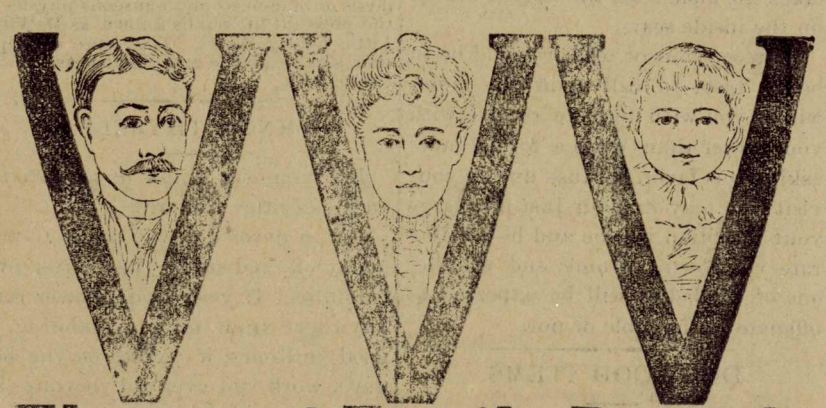

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UP-TO-DATE REMARKS.

A FEW STYLES LADIES SOMETIMES FORGET.

[From the Butterick Publishing Co., Ruth Ashmore, of the Ladies' Home Journal, and others of edual authority.]

In walking on the street, it is correct to lift up one side of the skirt only.

When entering a place of amusement, a lady follows the usher, and her escort follows her.

When a gentleman caller brings a box of bonbons, it is only necessary to thank him, and it is quite unnecessary to open the box while he remains.

If invited to a six o'clock dinner, arrange to arrive at the home of your hostess at five minutes before six. Five minutes before the hour is proper when you are asked to a luncheon, dinner or any sit down meal.

When a gentleman has acted as your escort from evening service at church, thank him as the door is opened, but do not invite him at that hour to come in. The same rule applies to an escort from a friend's house or an evening's entertainment.

At any public hall, or church, or place of amusement, a gentleman takes the aisle seat, the lady is seated on the inside seat.

At receptions or teas it would be in better taste to call upon the ladies whom you wish to have receive with you rather than write a formal note asking this favor, because during your visft you may explain just how large your reception will be and how elaborate your own costume, and whether one of the ladies will be expected to officiate at the table or not.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

W. D. Lacey, of Maylene, was in town Sunday.

Echoes! Echoes! Hear the echoes! Where will the campaign open?

Mr. Osce Burke and wife, of Ganadarque, visited friends here Sunday.

Walter Harrison, of Belle Ellen, was among his many friends here Sunday.

Misses Mattie and Kate Lacey, of Maylene, visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. William Whorten and family, of Belle Ellen, are visiting friends and relatives near this place.

Mr. Theo. Elliott and family, of Ganadarque, visited friends and relatives near this place Sunday.

It seems that attorneys are not essential in every case, and most especially in the case of the State vs. C. W. Cary.

Wonder if Dogwood will again (this year) be honored by the first political picnic by the Populists of Shelby county?

The Montevallo Lump Coal Mining Company at this place is still shipping some very fine coal, which is claimed to be the Montevallo grate coal.

Quite a crowd from this place attended services at Ebenezer Sunday. Dinner was spread on the ground, and the large crowd while away a few pleasant hours in the beautiful grove, and drank water from that ever flowing spring that is always ready to quench one's thirst.

X. Y. & Z.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. F. F. Crowe & Co.

HOW TO ENLIST.

Cut out the ballot printed on first page, write on it the name of your candidate and send it in. This will count one vote. Subscribe for the News, or renew your subscription for one year, and name the young person you desire to have credited. This will entitle him or her to 100 votes. On the 1st of September the scholarships will be awarded to the four boys or girls who receive she highest number of votes. This is simple and easy--all you have to do is to send in your votes in order to put your favorite to the front. We hope you will help us to place the News in many more households during the next few months.

Those who are contemplating entering the race should do it at once in order that their friends may know of their purpose to compete.

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If you never did, you ought to take a day off and study the matter over carefully. If your brain power rates anywhere from fair to middling, or good ordinary, it would be the best day's work you ever did in your life.

You probably think you are the oniest pebble on the beach; but maybe you are not.

You criticize the preacher's sermon. Can you preach a better one?

You blame the organist for the way she plays. Can you beat her?

You say the songs are not sung right. Why don't you learn the people how to sing?

You say the merchant doesn't run his business in sort of sort of style. Can you give him any pointers?

You kick like a bay steer at the way the school teacher does. Have you a better method of teaching the young idea how to sprout?

According to you the doctor is a numbskull. Can you kill or cure a man any quicker than he can?

You think the lawyer doesn't know a thing. Can you beat him in a game of "heads, I win; tails, you lose?"

You think the editor prints the sorriest paper on earth. Could you get up half column of tensible reading matter?

You make remarks about the dressmaker's work. Could you make a gown that would even fit a wash pot?

You blame the farmer for his methods. Did you ever get rich farming?

You blame everybody, yet if you will study yourself carefully, you may find out that you are the blamedest fool in the whole lot.—Ex.

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He was referred to a gentleman who proved to be the head of the department. He said:

"The sale of Ripans Tabules is constant and is increasing, due especially to the influential character of the testimonials in the daily press, and growing out of these, through the recommendation of friend to friend. Satisfaction with them is very general. When once they are begun I notice that a permanent customer for them is made. This, I believe, is through their intrinsic merit, which proves the bona fide character of the advertising. I think them specially useful in the general run of stomach troubles."

RIPANS ONE GIVES RELIEF

An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection" The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

A new style packet containing TEN RIPANS TABULES packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some druggists—FOR FIVE CENTS. The low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen of the five-cent cartons (60 tabules) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce Street, New York—or a single carton (TEN TABULES) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABULES may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. One gives relief.

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Barbarous Punishments.

From the earliest time soldiers—that is, those who join the ranks—have been treated as machines, made to do certain work, and, failing in the slightest degree, subjected to the most barbaric punishment.

One of the favorite methods of correction was known as "picketing." The victim was suspended by the wrist to an iron ring let into a wall or a high post, and one of his heels was permitted to rest upon a sharpened stick, just blunt enough to break the skin. Thus the whole weight of the body was thrown either upon the heel or upon the wrist. The agony in either case was extreme.

In a moment of demoniac cruelty some officer invented a device called "the wooden horse." Rough, sharp boards were nailed together so that they would form a rude imitation of a horse, the back forming a sharp ridge. On this a culprit was made to sit, sometimes for hours at a time, and to increase the pain muskets and even heavy weights were fastened to the legs.

During the peninsular war there was a punishment much used called the "strappado." It was Spanish in its origin and brutal in its torture. The soldier was hoisted up by means of a rope fastened to his arms behind his back, and then suddenly dropped with a jerk, by which process his shoulder joints were sometimes dislocated.

A form of punishment known as "bottling" or "cold burning" was dreaded by the men more than any other. It consisted in tying the offender's hand, palm uppermost, so that it was held quite motionless, and then allowing water to fall upon it, drop by drop, from a height of five feet. The pain caused in this way is said to have been so intolerable that the strongest men fainted away under its infliction.—Green Bag.

The Quest of Fortune.

"The longer I live the more firmly I am convinced," said Mr. Gozzleton, "that a man who wants a fortune has got to do something besides wish for it. Fortunes, large and small, are shy, very shy. In one form and another they are passing by all the time, but they won't stop for the mere asking, however polite and graceful and earnest the invitation may be. We might sit out on the veranda from now till doomsday and rise and bow and scrape at every one of 'em that came a'ong and ask 'em all in, but never one of 'em would stop. They might want to come in, but nothing short of actual collaring would bring 'em in. The fact is that if we want a fortune we've got to work for it.

"Men have made fortunes, to be sure, without working. Oil may spout up out the ground one owns and cover him with riches. Another man may find iron ore in his land, and so on. But such cases are so few in number that they don't count, the chances of our getting rich in that way are really not worth considering. If we would be rich we must work for it. And work early and late; all the time. Plug at it, and keep plugging at it. There is practically no other way.

"The man who idles away his time, or fails to make the best possible use of it, stays poor; the man that works for all he knows how and keeps forever at it is bound to get ahead."—New York Sun.

Profit in Whiskers.

A peculiar but profitable industry among the natives of Alaska is the preparation and sale of walrus whiskers for toothpicks.

Nature has armed the animal with whiskers that extend three or four inches from its snout, and the apparent use of which is to enable it to detect an iceberg before actual contact has taken place.

These whiskers are quite stiff, and this quality increases with age. After a walrus has been killed the natives, with the aid of rude pincers, proceed to pull out each separate hair.

After a thorough drying these hairs are arranged in neat packages and exported to China, where Chinamen of the upper class use them in their toilet.

Hunting in Pennsylvania.

There is still good hunting in Pennsylvania. During the past fiscal year Monroe County alone paid $311.50 for bounties on wild animals killed. The list included 147 mink, 140 foxes and 26 wildcats. Levi Knech of Townhurst, Lackawanna County, has found these animals particularly numerous in Coolbaugh township. In one day County paid bounties on five wildcats and five foxes shot in one locality.

Under the Scalp act of 1885 about $150,000 was expended in that year in the state for different kinds of birds and mammals. After the law had been in operation about two years it was found that the damage done through the killing of beneficial birds of prey and numerous other kinds of feathered animals which were substituted for hawks and owls was far greater than the good accomplished by the killing of these birds. In 1887 that part of the act which related to hawks and owls was repealed.

Throughout the state foxes, red and gray; wildcats, mink and weasels, or ermine, are much more numerous than is commonly supposed. Bounties were paid for 42,292 foxes, 30,448 mink, 13,684 weasels and 3,081 wildcats. The foregoing figures represent only a portion of the bounties of the state. The counties of Alleghany, Philadelphia and Delaware paid practically no bounties for birds or mamals under the act of 1885; all other counties paid liberally for this unwise measure.—New York Press.

Revival of Medieval Art.

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From Cole County Democrat, Jefferson City, Mo.

When la grippe visited this section, about seven years ago, Herman H. Eveler, of 811 W. Main St., Jefferson, Mo., was one of the victims, and has since been troubled with the after-effects of the disease. He is a well-known contractor and builder, a business requiring much mental and physical work. A year ago his health began to fail alarmingly, and that he lives to-day is almost a miracle. He says:

"I was troubled with shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart and a general debility. My back also pained me severely.

"I tried one doctor after another and numerous remedies suggested by my friends, but without apparent benefit, and began to give up hope. Then I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People extolled in a St. Louis paper, and after investigation, decided to give them a trial.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 24th day of May, 1897.

ADAM POUTSZONG, *Notary Public.*

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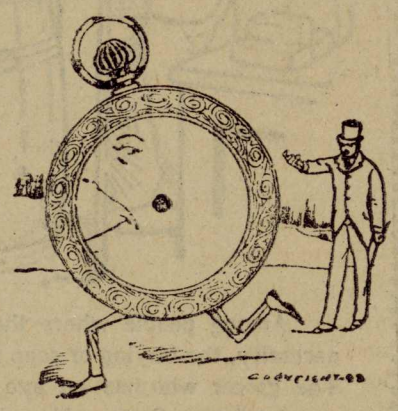

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Mr. Walter Fowlkes, of Birmingham, was in town yesterday.

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FOR SALE.—A good horse for only $25 00. Apply at News office.

Mr. Eugene Reynolds, of Blocton, was a visitor to our town yesterday.

FOR SALE.—A good typewriter for $25.00. Apply at the News office.

Felix Dotson, the barber, has a new chair, and also an attractive new sign.

Mr. Frank Vest, of Birmingham, is among his old Montevallo friends this week.

Messrs. Wiley Gray and Sylvester Owen, of Six Mile, were in town yesterday.

Mrs. R. J. Ash, of Branchville, Ala., visited her brother, C. C. Vandegrift, last week.

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Mr. S. J. Morgan, of Blocton, attended the closing exercises of the school this week.

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Miss Imogene Vandegrift has draped her home very beautifully in bunting—red, white and blue.

Mr. John Newton, of Springville, Ala., attended the closing exercises of the school this week

Editor N. A. Graham, of the Shelby Sentinel, was in town yesterday and gave us a pleasant call.

Our town is alive with visitors this week attending the closing exercises of the Girls' Industrial School.

FOR RENT —The huilding formerly occupied by Newton & Nolen. For terms apply at the NEWS office.

Mrs. Pat Kroell has been very ill for several days, but we are glad to state that she is now convalescent.

Messrs. Sylvester Vandegrift and R. R. Robinson, of Birmingham, visited their uncle, C C. Vandegrift, last week.

Mr. Charley Davis, an old Montevallo boy, but now railroading in Kentucky, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Theo. Allen.

Miss Leila Parker, one of Columbiana's most beautiful and popular young ladies, is visiting the Misses Kroell.

J. J. Little, Esq., of Blocton, is attending the closing exercises of the school. He is stopping at the St. George.

Dr. J. D. Trammell will rebuild at once on his vacant lot between the residences of Dr. Crowe and Mr. C. C. Vandegrift.

Messrs. French Nabors, Eugene Fancher and Edgar Cary left a few weeks ago for Mobile, and are now doing soldier duty.

Lum Banks is an unusually tall man anyway, but now he feels head and shoulders above anybody in Montevallo. It's a pretty little girl.

Capt. McKibbon has built a free bath house at his saw mill for the use of his friends and customers. You can take either a hot or cold bath.

We think Mr. McConaughy's residence looks very pretty since it has been repainted, but would rather see it red, white and blue instead of green.

Misses Lillie and Theodocia Pratt, of River Bend, are attending the closing exercises of the school, and are stopping with their sister, Mrs. F. F. Crowe.

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Mr. R. L. Rice came up from Mobile last week and spent several days with friends and relatives. He returned to Mobile Saturday evening, accompanied by Mr. Will Knauff, who goes to join the vast army of volunteers already there.

Mr. Eli Shortridge, of Woodstock, attended the closing exercises of the school this week. Eli is an old Montevallo boy, and his many friends were glad to see him. He is now conductor on a through freight from Chattanooga to Meridian.

A couple eloped from Maylene the other day, and got as far as Calera. Soon after their arrival there the young lady's father appeared on the scene. Had it not been for Kroell's fast horses the county would be richer by $1.50, but as it is she is still Green.

The Carlisle Bros., of Talladega, have just completed for Mr. James L. McConaughy one of the prettiest jobs of painting we have ever seen. The house being two story, with a long veranda, was shaped beautifully for two colors, which colors show taste and artistic skill. The upper story is of the fashionable shade of red; the lower story is of two beautiful shades of green, and the windows of both stories are painted black, with dark, rich green blinds.

A fatal accident happened near Birmingham Junction yesterday afternoon, in which Martha Jones, colored, lost her life. It seems that the woman was walking down the railroad track going toward Brierfield, when a freight train going north came along and struck her, knocking her down. The train was stopped and she was picked up and brought to Montevallo, where she died in a short while after being put off at the depot. The engineer said the woman got off the track in plenty time to escape injury, but just before the engine got to her, she stepped upon the track again just in front of it and it was impossible for him to stop before she was struck. We learn that the woman lived at Dolomite.

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In passing any dish at the table of which there may be a limited supply the hostess makes a point to mention the enigmatical letters, F. H. B. in such a manner as not to attract the attention of the guests around the board. Immediately the members of the family are aware of the circumstances, and discreetly partake very lightly, if at all, of the viands in question. The secret of the three letters was solved a few days ago, and the hostess afterwards laughingly confessed her little scheme. F. H. B., in this instance stands for family hold back.—Boston Traveler.

A Matter of Business.

Greene—"It is funny you permit Wigginton to drink coffee when you know it makes him bilious, and you are all the time doctoring him for biliousness. Why don't you make him leave off coffee?"

Dr. Gray—"And lose me a patient? I guess not."—Boston Transcript.

Public Clocks.

Few great cities of America are adequately provided with public clocks of such a size and so prominent location as to indicate the time over wide metropolitan districts. But it is high time to check kidney and bladder complaint manifested to the sufferer by inactivity of the organs affected. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters remedies this as it does dyspepsia, rheumatism, constipation, biliousness and nervousness.

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A JAGUAR'S TRICK.

The Clever Way in Which He Fooled the Caymans and Crossed a River.

Robert Wilson Fenn contributes to the St. Nicholas an interesting story about "The Jaguar and the Caymans." Mr. Fenn was camping on the banks of the Upper Magdalena River, in Columbia, South America, and this is what he saw.

We had finished our evening meal, and I was enjoying my customary smoke under the toldilla, or netting, and chatting with my Indian companions, when, suddenly, the most awful series of catcalls that I had ever heard disturbed our peace and the night air. A prolonged yowl, like the united voices all the cats on all the roofs of a large town, made the cold chills creep up and down my spine and gooseflesh to run all over me.

"What is it?" I asked one of the men. "El tigre, senor!" (The tiger, sir!) he replied; "ra a pasar el rio" (he is going to cross the river.) "Let him cross if he wants to," said I; "but what does he want to upset my supper and spoil my after-dinner smoke with his hideous noise?" Come and see, senor," he replied, and taking up his gun, motioned me to follow him. Softly we crep along the margin of the creek toward the river, and making our way through the spines of the overhanging bamboos, came out upon the narrow beach near the mouth of the creek.

Sure enough, by crawling cautiously along in the shadow of the bluff, we saw our musical friend squatted on his haunches, with head thrown back and mouth open, emitting the most blood-curdling serenades one could expect to hear, and looking for all the world like a gigantic tabby cat. But what connection such a noise could have with his passage of the river I failed to see.

"Anastasio," I said in a whisper, "doesn't the foolish fellow know that he will draw all the alligators together, and when he gets into the water he will swim off in sections? "Leave him alone," chuckled the Indian; "he knows how to get across." So, crouching down in the bushes on the bank of the river, we waited for his next move. I think we must nave been there about twenty minutes or half an hour, and I was becoming almost worn out with the attacks of the mosquitos, when the concert suddenly ceased. At the same moment the moon came out clear and bright from behind a cloud, and Anastasio, nudging my arm, pointed to the surface of the water in front of the jaguar. At first I thought there were a number of sticks in the water, but as the current was swift and they were motionless in their places, I was for a moment puzzled. "Caymanos" (alligators), whispered the Indian, and I saw that his eyes were better than mine. There were the ugly snouts of half a dozen of the big fellows, some well out of water, and some just showing their nostrils and the bumps over their eyes, but all ready for their expected prey.

But they were to be disappointed this time; for the jaguar, immediately upon the conclusion of his serenade started off up-stream as hard as he could run along the bank of the river, and when he had gone about 500 yards dropped softly into the water and swam safely across, while his baffled enemies were unable to make fast enough time upstream against the swift current to get him.

Dr. Gattling's Gun.

Humanitarian reasons induced Dr. Gatling to invent his famous gun, whose capacity of 1,200 shots a minute has revolutionized war. An unthinking person said to him about nine years ago: "Why did you invent anything so fearfully destructive of life, doctor? Don't you feel like a murderer?" The inventor replied: "When I saw the Ohio and Indiana boys coming back from the war on stretchers, wounded and emaciated, I decided that something ought to be devised to take the places of some of them—something that would do the work of 50 men, so that the other 49 could remain at home and toil. On that general plan I set to work, and while my gun may be hard on the enemy it is a saving on our side, and puts an end to long campaigns."

Dr. Gatling is a Tar Heel. The North Carolinans in the Confederate army were made fun of by the Virginians on the march. "Hello, Tar Heel," always brought forth the observation, "Yas, Tar Heel; always stick in a fight." The doctor took the degree M. D. about 1849, but never practiced his profession. The first specimen of his gun was finished in Indiana in 1862. While in the West he also invented other laborsaving apparatuses—a wheat drill, a reaper and a hemp-break, and would have been known as an inventor of the screw propeller had not Ericsson got in a few days ahead of him. Gatling should be a very rich man. The United States, England and Russia have adopted his mitrailleuse for use in their armies, and it has been tested critically and curcially by every other nation on earth with the exception of the Greeks and Belgians. He is just 80 years old. —New York Press.

Spain's Treatment of Columbus.

Some of the Spanish papers in the controversies of the past few weeks have accused Americans of ingratitude toward the land which sent Christopher Columbus on his voyag of discovery. While Spain, or rather Queen Isabella, is entitled to the credit of that great navigator's achievement, the former has no special reason for pride in recalling her treatment of him.

Columbus, himself, was not a Spaniard, and it was only after years of weary waiting that he secured the authority and aid to make his first voyage. After the first excitement of his discovery wore off Columbus experienced all the fickleness, ingratitude and treachery of the Spanish character. From one of his voyages he was sent home in irons. After Queen Isabella's death, the king, Ferdinand, who never was friendly to the one man who had made his reign famous, treated him with shameful neglect, and Columbus, who had added a new world to the possessions of Spain, died in poverty and disgrace. It was characteristic of adopted people and of the ingrate king that a pompous funeral was accorded to the remains of the man who, while living, had been turned out like an abused and abandoned horse, to die in penury and neglect. The dust of Christopher Columbus now reposes in the cathedral of Havana. Should Spain be driven from Cuba it is to be hoped that in abandoning the last of her American possessions she will leave on the soil of the new world discovered by him the remains of the great explorer of whose achievements and glory she proved herself unworthy.—Mexico Two Republics.

Little Pigs in Clover.

Michael Barry of Hallstead, Penn., has made himself famous on account of his wonderful invention. A few days since seventeen pigs, the largest litter ever known in this section, arrived on Barry's farm. The mother had made no arrangements for such a large family, and something had to be done to provide nourishment for the younk rooters, so the inventive genius of Barry came into play.

He made a large tin receptacle, and around the bottom of this mainature reservoir he attached short pieces of rubber hose to small holes made for the purpose. On the ends are fastened the pail is filled with milk, and the young pigs waddle up and draw nourishment. The litter is doing well.—New York Press.

Family Grave for Sale.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

A. M. Priest, Druggist, Shelbyville, Ind., says: "Hall's Catarrh Cure gives the best of satisfaction, Can get plenty of testimonials, as it cures every one who takes it." Druggists sell it, 75c.

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The Feminine Way.

Little Clarence (a youthful Solomon)—Pa, nobody can never tell what a woman will do next, can they?

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I WONDER IF SHE'D CARE?

From the Cleveland Leader.

I wonder if she'd care if I
Should go away to fight?
I wonder if she'd shed a tear
If I should go to-night
To her and say the time had come
For me to do my share
In putting down my country's foes—
I wonder if she'd care?

I wonder if she'd care if I
Fell, bleeding, on the plain,
Or if it were my lot to win
Renown upon the main?
Oh, if responsive to the call
For men to do and dare,
I donned a soldier's uniform,
I wonder if she'd care?

If it should tell her I must go
To mingle in the fray,
I wonder—oh, I wonder—if
She'd beg that I would stay?
If I became a soldier boy,
I wonder if she'd care?
I long to test her love for me,
But, oh, I do not dare.

A WOMAN'S HEROISM.

Kate Hutcheson Morrisette, Chairman Committee of Education in Alabama Federation of Clubs. Writes Forcefully on an Interesting Subject.

Montgomery Advertiser.

More than 1,800 years ago a woman anointed her Saviour's feet. He said: "Wherever this gospel is preached, this shall be told for a memorial of her." Before that day monuments had been built to great men; did this word give divine sanction to memorializing womanly devotion and heroism? To exalted and Christ-like characters the consciousness of duty done is a reward that surpasses all the world's praise, and is only surpassed by the blessed words of the gentle Master, "Well done, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

But in the evolution of character which is education's aim, we employ every persuasion to form habits of obedience to duty. In every country on the globe monuments to heroes challenge ihe emulation of youth; memorials to heroic womanhood constrain by the power of love the hearts of tender girlhood. Every educational institution employs the stimulant of a distinctive mark of merit for those who lead in scholarship and good conduct. Every community rewards the brave and upright unless the distase of politics palsies the hand of power.

So—I do not apologize for asking "a little space to stand in for today" while I tell you of an incident that proclaims the power of purpose, the inspiration of principle and the sustaining strength of love.

Up here at Montevallo, in the great school that Alabama has laid as her tribute to womanhood, a beautiful young girl was stricken with malignant smallpox. All fled terror-stricken at this terrible approach of death, or death in life. Even those who loved her had to go away, in sorrow and in tears. One only and alone remained, the matron, Miss Pattie Purnell. Night and day in the deserted house she battled with death for the stricken girl. The soldier who follows waving banners and beating drums amid the pomp of war, is his heroism greater than was hers, with her conscience for banner and drum, and her great captain, Christ, the crucified?

"All pass by on the other side, except our devoted and faithful physician, Dr. Wilkinson," said a letter Miss Parnell wrote, fumigated (for her mind was as active and perfectly balanced as her heart), and delivered to a minister whom she called as he was passing, to post what she felt might be her last message before she "crossed the bar."

In a few days the patient and nurse were removed to an isolated cottage, and a professional nurse from Birmingham was secured as assistant. The self-instituted nurse staid on, nursing still, and also cooking and ministering to every need, as she had faithfully done from the first stroke of the pestilence.

When the climax was passed and serious danger over, Miss Purnell, supported by Martha's thrift and Mary's devotion, consented to resume entire charge, and dispense with the trained nurse at $20 per week. For five long weeks she remained shut off with her precious charge, and though the anxiety and responsibility marked her face with their ineffaceable lines, and silvered her hair, the only pity she has ever been heard to claim is for the sweet girl so terribly stricken that to her dying day she will never be the same.

Can we calculate with mathematical exactness what the school owes a matron with "occupation gone" on the heels of fleeing faculty and pupils, who remained as smallpox nurse, cook and waitress?

The Birmingham professional nurse charged $20 a week for each of two weeks, and this is a basis for one item. How many dollars and cents would pay for the cooking and other ministrations is not perhaps easily calculated.

It is beyond the prerogative of even our good governor adequately to reward her. She is one to whom doing right is "the natural way of living." Her life is hid with Christ in God and God alone will crown it.

Be our duty to her what it may, can we afford to neglect the educative force that lies in a recognition of heroism and duty?

Shall we, if the Industrial School be financially unable, step in with the scant justice of smallpox nurses' wages, and restitution for loss of clothing? The principles of mathematics and economics are world-wide and binding, but with Euclid's problems coexist Plato's philosophy and Christ's precepts.

This institute should not attempt to keep her in a place it cannot afford to maintain. But Alabama women will unite their voices to the voice of Montevallo to beg that the treatment of Miss Purnell shall show that there never is left forgotten one who risks all, even life itself, in the discharge of duty.

Montevallo builds a tribute to itself when it memorializes her. Alabama educates her youth when she proves there is a distinction made between one who flees from duty and one who does right for right's sake.

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WHO WILL WIN

Votes Allowed for Subscriptions

For every new subscription or renewal for a year, accompanied by $1 in cash, one hundred votes will be given.

For every six months subscription or renewal, paying 50 cents, fifty (50) votes will be given.

For a three months subscription or renewal, paying 25 cents, twenty-five (25) votes will be given.

All subscriptions will be stopped when time paid for expires, unless ordered continued.

Commissions Paid

As the NEWS allows a commission on all subscriptions and renewals obtained, all persons who enter the contest for one of the prizes will have an opportunity to earn some money by this means. The ballot printed below will entitle the bearer to one vote in the contest. If you wish to vote cut it out and write the name and address of your candidate on it and forward it to Mr. . F. Crabbe, Montevallo, Ala., who will count the votes in the contest, and place them to the credit of the persons whose names they bear. This coupon will be published every week during the contest, as will also a summary of the vote showing the standing of the various candidates to date. No votes will be received or counted at this office.

The following is the form of the ballot. Cut it out, fill in properly the name of your candidate and forward as above directed.

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Write plainly the name and address of the person for whom you wish to vote on the dotted lines below:

Name.....

P O.....

County .....State.....

The Competition

Begins from April 28, and the winners of the four prize scholarships will be announced in the first issue of September, 1898. The names of unsuccessful competitors in the contest will also be announced, and every young man or woman who secures as many as five new subscribers for the NEWS, will receive besides commissions a prize of some sort, the exact character of which will be announced later. Thus no one whose success in this work amounts to anything worthy of recognition will go unrewarded, but there will be prizes practically for everybody. So if you do not win one of the educational prizes, you may win something valuable of another kind.

Information concerning commissions will be furnished personally or by mail from this office. Catalogue and other literature of the College may be had by addressing Clement C. Gaines, President, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

AT MONTEVALLO

The Girls' Industrial School.

Montgomery Advertiser.

At Montevallo has been wrought within two years a modern miracle.

The conviction that the measure of a State's greatness is the elevation of its women grew and deepened in Alabama and took tangible form a few years ago in a bill offered in the legislature by Hon. S. D. Bloch, for an appropriation to establish an Industrial School for Girls.

The new idea hurt the law-makers at first, and a meagre appropriation only was made. By waiting for another year enough was on hand to make a small beginning. It was entrusted to Capt. H. C. Reynolds, of Montevallo, where the school was located, and with the courage of a Napoleon he begun this work. He has almost made "bricks without straw," in the wonderful work he has accomplished with so little money in so short a time.

The commencement exercises just closed a year remarkable in many ways. The demoralization caused by panic and pestilence at the beginning of the session perhaps resulted in cutting off patronage, and yet, before Christmas, 350 girls from fifty counties were there, and a new life was opening for many of them.

Under what seems, to the thoughful, the guidance of the All-wise one, a superb faculty was gathered for this new school, teachers who were professionals in their departments, and whose sincere and thorough work has been the wonder and admiration of all who are in touch with the school. Most of them have worked with an unselfish devotion to the cause that cannot be too highly valued by parents and trustees, by legislators, and all who love Alabama and glory in the institution that is fitting her daughters to shine in all departments of woman's world.

The school is a veritable little world of its own. The telegraph wires, manipulated by the skillful hands of a class of girls expert in that line, connects it with the great world without, and the latest news is flashed into the room where the accomplished teacher, Mrs. Hudson, is training young women for actual service.

Across the way the whirr of fifty sewing machines and the piles of beautiful dresses that rival the latest of New York creations, attest the superb work and training of Mrs. Gussie Nelson, the head of the department of dressmaking, and Miss Saunders, her able assistant.

Then, under the direction of Miss Tall, one of Baltimore's finest milliners, hundreds of artistic hats and bonnets were made and sold, realizing nearly $1,500 in sales. Here girls are taught, not only to make and trim, but to purchase materials to pack and ship all the business involved in such work.

Stenography and typewriting are taught, and several young ladies secured certificates of proficiency under an examination by experts.

After a complete round of the industrial departments, visitors were invited into a spacious dining room, where a beautifully appointed dinner table appealed to the eye and appetite. Graceful waiters in the school uniform, with white aprons and dainty caps, handled the well prepared viands that the girls of the cooking school sent in as their credentials.

The schools of Music, Art, Literature, Mathematics, Pedagogy, Latin and History are of high standard, and measure up to those of distinctly literary schools. Much could be said of Miss Kennedy, Miss Haley, Miss Lee, Miss Crumpton, Mrs. Cochran, Professor Simmons, Miss Stallworth, Miss Fitts, Mrs. Babb, the lady principal, and others who have helped the president and the trustees to make this great school what it is. All that is needed now is that the people should recognize the possibilities that are ahead for our girls of unlimited means, and make public sentiment that will encourage our law-makers to give adequate appropriation to this important work. Buildings are needed, water works are absolutely necessary, new departments should be opened, grounds improved, and better salaries paid the teachers.

It is designed primarily as a school for girls of limited means, and not to interfere with schools that have no State aid.

TO ESTABLISH SCHOLARSHIPS.

The effort is being made by the Alabama Federation of Women's Clubs to establish a number of scholarships for girls who are unable to meet even the small expense involved in attending the Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo. Mrs. J. L. McConaughy, of Montevallo, a prominent club woman, has this school very near her heart, and is at the head of the movement to secure from the thirty-five clubs funds to establish these scholarships and to build up a library for the hundreds of girls who can thus be brought into touch with great literature. The Studiosis of Montevallo, under Mrs. McConaughy, a noble little club of a dozen members is giving generously to these causes, and in their unselfish devotion they are models for the eight hundred federated women of Alabama. One dollar a year from each would educate eight girls, and new influences would be started in this State that will widen and deepen, and only "far off in eternal years" can the good be measured that will be wrought by the splendid and united force of Alabama's organized womanhood. The Shakspeare Club of Mobile, under its noble president, Mrs. Harry Inge, has already undertaken to support one girl from Mobile county. The No Name Club of Montgomery has voted a generous sum to help send a Montgomery county girl, and other clubs will take up the good work.

At their recent meeting the trustees passed resolutions gratefully recognizing the sympathetic interest shown by the Alabama Federation in the Girls' Industrial School

A GOOD RESULT.

All who read the article, "A Woman's Heroism," in these columns, by Kate Hutcheson Morrissette, will be glad to know that the trustees recognized in a substantial way the noble services of Miss Purnell, the matron, who was the heroine referred to.

HOW TO ENLIST.

Cut out the ballot printed on first page, write on it the name of your candidate and send it in. This will count one vote. Subscribe for the News, or renew your subscription for one year, and name the young person you desire to have credited. This will entitle him or her to 100 votes. On the 1st of September the scholarship will be awarded to the four boys or girls who receive she highest number of votes. This is simple and easy—all you have to do is to send in your votes in order to put your favorite to the front. We hope you will help us to place the News in many more households during the next few months.

Those who are contemplating entering the race should do it at once in order that their friends may know of their purpose to compete.

The contest is open to any lady or gentlemau in Shelby county. Information concerning the contest can be had on application at this office.

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A prominent New York physician in discussing the merits of Ripans Tabules with a brother M. D. said: "Several years ago I asserted that if one wished to become a philanthopist, and do a beneficent deed—one that would help the whole human race—nothing could be better than to procure the Roosevelt Hospital prescription, *which is the basis of the Ripans Tabules*, and cause it to be put up in the form of a ketchup and distributed among the poor."

Sales Increasing.

The largest retail drug store in America is that of Hegeman & Co. on Broadway in New York City. A reporter who went there to learn how Ripans Tabules were selling bought a five-cent carton and asked: "Do you have much call for these?"

He was referred to a gentleman who proved to be the head of the department. He said: "The sale of Ripans Tabules is constant and is increasing, due especially to the influential character of the testimonials in the daily press, and growing out of these, through the recommendation of friend to friend. Satisfaction with them is very general. When once they are begun I notice that a permanent customer for them is made. This, I believe, is through their intrinsic merit, which proves the bona fide character of the advertising. I think them specially useful in the general run of stomach troubles."

TEN FOR FIVE CENTS
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ONE GIVES RELIEF

An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

A new style packet containing TEN RIPANS TABULES packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some drug stores—FOR FIVE CENTS. This low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen of the five-cent cartons (120 tabules) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce Street, New York—or a single carton (TEN TABULES) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABULES may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. One gives relief.

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METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. I. SINNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P. —Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month.

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G. B. MONROE, K. of R. & S.

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LOCAL.

When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Mr. George Kroell visited Birmingham Monday.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Our town has put on its usual dull summer look.

FOR SALE.—A good horse for only $25 00. Apply at News office.

Banks Bros. have started up their new brick yard.

FOR SALE.—A good typewriter for $25.00. Apply at the News office.

Let's have Montevallo incorporated and Major Strong for mayor.

Mr. John Garner will build a brick residence in our town during the summer.

Mrs. J W. Martin, who has been on the sick list for several days, is improving.

Capt. H. C. Reynolds went up to Birmingham Saturday evening on business.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

A good rain is very badly needed. The long drouth has about ruined all of the gardens.

John Carlisle returned to his home at Talladega last Saturday on the sick list. We hope he will soon be himself again.

When you are very warm and thirsty, go to Crowe's and get a glass of ice cold soda water.

Mrs. C. W. Cary will leave to-day for Connecticut, where she will spend the heated term.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Mr. Martin, one of Clanton's bright young attorneys, was in town yesterday, and gave our office a call.

FOR RENT—The building formerly occupied by Newton & Nolen. For terms apply at the NEWS office.

Mrs. R. T. Newton has been very ill for the past few days, but we are glad to say that she is now much better.

Mrs. Maggie Garner will build a handsome residence on the vacant lot in front of F. W. Rogan's residence.

The lecture by Rev. P. L Abernethy on his trip to Baltimore, was enjoyed by the large congregation Sunday night.

We understand that Dr. Givhan will, in the near future, build a nice residence on his lot near the M. E. Church.

Ernest West is building a three room cottage on a lot recently bought from A. M. Cross, on the other side of the railroad.

Miss Lena Young, of Weams, Ala., and Miss Vivian Walton, of Brookside, Ala, are visiting Mrs. D. W. Shivers this week.

Miss Draper, of Oxford, Ala., visited her brother, John Draper, of our town, last week, and also attended the closing exercises of the school.

We are reliably informed that J. M. Reynolds, Esq, will establish an ice factory in our town at an early day. Let the wheels of progress roll onward.

Mrs. Payne, of Longview, has bought the West property just across the foot bridge, and has moved to Montevallo. She is erecting a store house on her lot.

Mrs. James L. McConaughy entertained delightfully her club, the "Studiosis," on Tuesday of last week, complimentary to her guest, Mrs. Geo. B. Eager, of Montgomery.

Capt. H. C. Reynolds was re-elected by the Board of Trustees of the Girls' Industrial School as president for the term of 1898-99. All the rest of the faculty were also reappointed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Gist, of Columbiana, were in town Tuesday. While here Mr. Gist gave us a pleasant call. Frank is "one of the boys," and it looks natural to see him in a print shop. Call around again.

Lightning Ice Cream Freezers, the best on the market. Will make cream better and quicker than any other freezer. This freezer was made especially for Morgan Bros., the up-to date merchants. Call and get one.

Dr. D. L. Wilkinson, when he picked from the street a little negro almost blind and saved his eyesight, not only displayed his skill as a physician, but a kind and generous heart. Bread cast upon the waters will, after many days, return.

Miss Nannie Shivers left Saturday for Mobile to visit relatives, and to attend the wedding of her cousin, Miss Willie Maupin, of Mobile, to Dr. Furguson, of Great Falls, Montana.

"Uncle" John Pynor, the veteran shoemaker, packed his "kit" Tuesday and left for his home at Stanton, Ala., where he will remain until next fall. We wish "Uncle" John a pleasant time this summer and hope he will come back next fall and be prepared to save soles.

Among the many pupils of the Industrial School during the session just closed, was Miss Annie Whitten, of Munford, Ala., who, by her many charms, made many friends. Her bright eyes and pleasant smile will be missed by more than one, and all wish for her return at the re-opening of the school.

Mr. Frank Vest and wife, of Birmingham, spent several days in town last week with relatives. While here, Mr. Vest painted a beautiful and attractive sign on the large glass window of W. D McCluney & Co.'s new drug store, and also painted a pretty arched sign over the front door of the St. George hotel.

Several of Major Strong's friends speak of him for mayor, should the town be incorporated, and they think that the major is the man for the place. He is a man whom all like, and is endowed with that sense of equity and justice that is so much needed by the chief of any municipality. Let's incorporate and then elect Major Strong for our first mayor.

BUCKTOWN PHILOSOPHY.

De cheapes' an' bes' way ter ketch fish is ter let de odder man set on de creek.

Its mighty easy ter git in er law suit, but it costs money ter git out

A woman's smile can either carry a man to heaven or send his soul to hel .

Nex to a pocket full ob money, a man is mos' pleased when his arm is roun' his bes' girl.

De laziest man in de worl' will move peart when he steps on de biznes' en' ob a tack.

Its a smart man dat understans a woman well 'nuff ter know when her NO means no.

All men likes fame, but some hab to be hung befo' dey git it.

When yer starts ter go an' make peace wid yer girl, allus sen' about fo' pouns ob candy fifteen minits ahed.

De society ob watermilion eaters ob Bucktown met de odder night ter pray fer rain, but a leadin' member put a damper on de conwenshun by sayin': "Dar ain't a dog gone bit o' use prayin fer rain as long as de win's in de norf.

De bigges' rascal in dis worl' will rob his friends as long as dey's got de money to set 'em up.

Dar's no way o' tellin how much luv dar is in de kiss ob two society women.

It is easier ter break in de penitenchury dan it is ter break out.

Dar would be lots more room in de worl' if de fool killer would 'tend to his bizness.

Dar's a heap ob men dat will crow mighty big erbout how much money dey's got 'til de tax collector comes erlong.

Dar's two things in dis worl' dat is sure—death and taxes. An' I'se yer ter meet de man dat is prepared fo' bof'.

Nigger in de co'n fiel',
Nigger wid er gun;
When he fin's er Spaniard,
Spaniard got ter run.

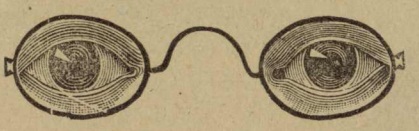
Nigger at er hoe down
Gittin' mighty Schley,
When he gits ter fightin'
Spaniards gwine ter die.

Nigger in de sunshine
Sweatin' mighty fast,
But he'll hol' Mr. Spaniard,
An' hol' him to de las'.

We would like to know how much five cent cotton will be raised in this section if this drouth continues much longer.

With the prospects of little cotton being raised in this and adjoining counties, we would like to know where the farmer's profit is coming from when he has to sell what he does make for five cents a pound.

Admiral Dewey still holds the fort at Manilla, and is compelling the insurgents to treat their prisoners according to the rules of civilized warfare.



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" " " sheep $1.25
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Just received, another big line of pictures, at one-half price.
Laces, 1½c and up.
Blueing, per box, 1 to 2c
Hosiery, per pair, 5c and up.
Machine Oil, 4 and 5c
Lawns, 5c and up.
Shoe Polish, 5c and up.
Calicoes, 4 and 5c
Gents' Collars, 10c
Corsets, 22c and up.
Spool Thread—6 Cord, 3c
Ginghams, 5 and 6c
Hair Brushes, 5c and up.
Shaving Brushes, 5c and up.
Slates, 2c and up.
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And it's full of racy fun.
Here and there the players go
Till one chances to be hit.
Then, of course, you let him know
That he happens to be "it."

Now the swallows play it, too,
While the twilight shadows creep.
When they "tag" with wings of blue,
Don't you hear their screaming "cheep?"
But the wind he beats them all,
For he "tags" the topmost leaf,
And his unseen fingers fall
On the blossom and the sheaf.

Though you like this game of "tag,"
And you play with all your heart,
When you're "it," you often lag.
Not so fine the "tagging" part;
For I sometimes hear you shout
When your turn you have to share,
Racing all the rest about,
That the playing isn't fair.

Oh, the smiling face for me
And the nimble hands and feet
That will take, and willingly,
All the bitter with the sweet!
So hurrah for "tag," I say,
And for everybody hit!
When another game you play,
Just consider that I'm "it."

PRESERVED BY WATER.

Six oak tree trunks, believed to be each 1,000 years old, were recently dredged from the bottom of the river Maine, near Karlburg. They were black, like ebony, and attracted great interest among scientists as illustrating the long life of wood under water. Wood of this sort is very rare, and the commercial value alone of the find is considerable, material of this sort being peculiarly valuable for inlaying purposes.

FAMILY COURTESY.

Probably one-half of the rudeness of youth of this day, that later in life will develop into brutality, is due to the failure of parents to enforce in the family circle the rules of courtesy. The son or daughter who is discourteous to members of the family, because of familiarity with them, is very likely to prove rude and over-bearing to others, and very certain to be a tyrant in the household over which he or she may be called on to preside.

INSTINCT OF A GOOSE.

The following incident is soberly related, and presumably true: An old goose that had been for a fortnight hatching in a farmer's kitchen, was perceived on a sudden to be taken violently ill. She soon after left the nest and repaired to an out-house where there was a young goose of the first year, which she brought with her to the kitchen. The young one immediately scrambled into the old one's nest, sat, hatched, and afterwards brought up the brood. The old goose as soon as the young one had taken her place, sat down by the side of the nest, and shortly after died. As the young goose had never been in the habit of entering the kitchen before, I know of no way of accounting for this fact, than by supposing that the old one had some way of communicating her thoughts and anxieties, which the other was perfectly able to understand.

CONUNDRUMS FOR THE LITTLE FOLKS.

When is a ship like snow?—When she's adrift.

When is a ship not a ship?—When she's astern.

When is a ship like a floor?—When she's boarded.

When is a ship like a tailor?—When sheering off.

When is a ship like a bird?—When flying before the wind.

When is a ship like a painter?—When she shows her colors.

What is smaller than a mite's mouth?—What it puts into it.

Why is a ship never alone?—Because there is always a companion.

Why is a lark like the Bank of England?—Because it issues notes.

Why is the nose in the middle of the face?—Because it's the scenter.

When is a woman like a newspaper article?—When she appears in print.

Why is a cabbage run to seed like a lover?—Because it has lost its heart.

When is a donkey like a lawyer?—When he is drawing out a conveyance.

What lock is that which no burglar can pick?—A lock from a bald head.

Why is a gypsy's tent like a beacon on the seas?—Because it's a light house.

Why is Sunday the strongest day?—Because the others are all weak days.

Why is a bad horse like a bad play?—Because it can't run and won't draw.

Why is it impossible to drown a teetotaler?—Because he keeps his nose above water.

AN ELEPHANT'S CUNNING.

This is a good story of an elephant's intelligence. The animal in question was a mere baby when he was sent by an Indian prince to England as a present for Queen Victoria.

He was shipped as a deck passenger by one of the Indian mail steamers from Bombay, and as he had but attained the height of a well-grown calf, and was always most docile and tractable, he was permitted to have the run of the decks for an hour or two every morning when the state of the weather permitted. By the sailors he was dubbed the "Bos'un's mate," owing to the penchant he had for carefully picking up every loose coil of rope that he could find and then throwing it over the side, being, as Jack said, "as bad as a naval lieutenant for keeping the decks tidy."

Among other acquaintances that he formed was that of the ship's baker, whose address he soon discovered to be the place of origin of all the sweet dainties with which he was petted. Here he took to making a regular morning call for something sweet for tiffin, and was generally regaled with a stale tart or piece of cake; but, upon calling one morning and extending his trunk, as usual, he found that his visit was unwelcome, as something had occurred to irritate the baker, and, instead of the cake, he received a blow on his trunk with the rolling pin.

The blow was not severe, but the Bo'sun turned tail and went trumpeting up the deck, where he took a post that would enable him to watch for his assailant. Before long he saw the baker leave his "shop," and mischief being his object rather than malice, he promptly marched down, and, with several vigorous sweeps of his trunk he swept all the shelves in the bakery clear, until loaves, tarts, cakes, patty pans and cake tins lay in confusion on the deck. This achieved, he bolted like any school boy, and was locked up in disgrace; but, upon the circumstances being known, the popular verdict was in his favor, and he was allowed his liberty as before.

Bo'sun marched down instanter to the baker, and never failed from that day to exact tribute, which was regularly paid, and from that time he and his opponent became fast friends.

ANIMALS THAT SING.

It is a well-known fact that many animals are attracted by music, and many anecdotes are told of mice and other animals, which have come from their holes to listen to the sound of a sweet-toned instrument. The snake charmers of India have for centuries made use of this fact, in enticing deadly snakes by means of weird music played on stringed instruments.

But, besides being attracted by musical sounds, many animals other than birds, at times utter sounds very different from their ordinary cries, which are very sweet, and may fairly be called singing.

Most people have heard of singing mice. They are not very frequently heard of in this country, but in some foreign countries, notably Germany and France, they are rather common. They are common mice that are supposed to have a disease of the throat, which makes them utter a noise like the note of a canary. They are not a distinct species.

A man while hunting in the woods near Dover, N. H., heard what sounded like the singing of a bird among the branches, a short distance from him. The note was so peculiar that he turned his steps toward the sound to find out what species of bird was making it. To his utter amazement he found that it came from a red squirrel, sitting upright on a bough, singing away as if in love with its own melody. At sight of him the little creature stopped, but as he remained perfectly still, it presently piped again.

In speaking of the quality of the melody, he compared it to the single note of the canary unusually prolonged, with no variation except in rising and falling, and increase or decrease of volume. He said it had nothing in it of the scolding character associated with the chattering of the Northern red squirrel. There was no visible movement of the throat in the production of the sound. From time to time it would stop singing and, after a lapse of two or three minutes, start up again, always beginning with a low note, increasing in volume until shortly before the next pause. It may have been a call.

There have been several well-authenticated instances of singing fish. Naturalists, however, have generally accepted Cuvier's view, that "the existence of fishes is a silent, emotionless and joyous one, but recent observations tend to show that many fishes emit vocal sounds."

There used to be a tame seal in an aquarium in the south of England that would play tricks at the instance of its keeper. Among other accomplishments it would sing when told to do so. Those who heard it, describe the sounds as peculiarly musical and sweet, though very weird and mournful.

Living near Tarrytown, N. Y., is a gentleman who owns several dogs. It was his habit to go to the back of the house every morning and toot on a horn, such as is used on a coach. The dogs would all gather around him, keeping perfectly silent until he had finished, when they would endeavor to imitate him. After he had been doing this for some time he noticed that one of the dogs in his attempts uttered several sounds that were really true musical notes. So he purchased a cornet and played on it before this one dog. After some time, he says, the dog could reproduce accurately any note he played on the instrument.

Every one has heard the legend of the swan, which sings a song a few days before it dies. Instances might thus be multiplied, showing that other animals besides man and the song birds are at times possessed of an ability to make musical sounds.

An Agreeable Cough Mixture.

Children can often be induced to take "mother's" cough mixture when they pull wry faces over a physician's prescription. Most housewives have some old and tried cough mixture recipe by which they set great store, but should there be some among my readers who do not possess such a recipe, I would suggest their adoption of the following mixture, which will be found very soothing to the throat and chest: Get three large, fresh lemons and boil them in already boiling water for about seven minutes; then, when tender, slice them very thin, put the slices in a bowl together with a pound of best moist sugar, and set the bowl on the stove for some hours, so that the contents may almost be said to have distilled. Then take the bowl from the fire and let the contents cool for half an hour. Lastly, stir in a tablespoonful of oil of sweet almonds, and give a teaspoonful of the mixture at a time when the throat is irritated.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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FROM BUCCANEER TO PIRATE.

The Brethren of the Coast Warred Against Every Nation.

Mr. Frank R. Stockton continues in St. Nicholas his series of narrative sketches of "The Buccaneers of Our Coast." Mr. Stockton says:

The buicaneers had grown to be reckless freebooters. And when they became soldiers and marched in little armies, the patience of the civilized world began to weaken. Panama, for instance, was an important Spanish city; England was at peace with Spain; therefore, when a military force composed mainly of Englishmen, and led by a British subject, captured and sacked Panama, if England should not interfere with her buccaneers she would have a quarrel to settle with Spain.

So a new governor was sent to Jamaica with strict orders to put down the buccaneers and break up their organization, and then it was he set a theif to catch thieves, and empowered the ex-pirate, Morgan, to execute his former comrades.

But methods of conciliation, as well as threats of punishment, were used to induce the buccaneers to give up their illegal calling, and liberal offers were made to them to settle in Jamaica and become law-abiding citizens.

But these offers did not tempt the Brothers of the Coast; from active pirates to retired pirates was too great a change, and though some of them returned to their original avocations of cattle butchering and beef drying, some, it is said, chose rather to live among the wild Indians and share their independent lives, than to bind themselves to any form of honest industry.

The French also had been active in suppressing the operations of their buccaneers, and soon the Brethren of the Coast, considered as an organization for preying upon the commerce and settlers of Spain, might be said to have ceased to exist. But it must not be supposed that because buccaneering had died out that piracy was dead.

Driven from Jamaica, from San Domingo, and even from Tortuga, they retained a resting place only at New Providence, an island in the Bahamas, and this they did not maintain very long. Then they spread themselves all over the weary world. They were no longer buccaneers, they were no longer "Brothers" of any sort, they no longer set out merely against Spaniards, but their attacks were made upon people of every nation. They confined themselves to attacks upon peacable merchant vessels, often robbing them and then scuttling them, delighted with the spectacle of a ship, with all its crew, sinking hopelessly into the sea.

The scene of piratical operations in America was not very much changed. The successors of the Brothers of the Coast, no longer united by any bonds of fellowship, but each pirate captain acting independently in his own wicked way, were coming up from the West Indies to afflict the more northern sea coast.

Her Secret Signal.

Nervous housewives whose husbands frequently bring home company to dinner without preliminary warning often worry in their secret hearts to supply the unexpected guests. A matron living in one of the prettiest suburban residences in West Philadelphia, whose husband persists in bringing home guests at the most inopportune times, has hit upon a happy expedient to meet possible emergencies.

In passing any dish at the table of which there may be a limited supply the hostess makes a point to mention the enigmatical letters, F. H. B. in such a manner as not to attract the attention of the guests around the board. Immediately the members of the family are aware of the circumstances, and discreetly partake very lightly, if at all, of the viands in question. The secret of the three letters was solved a few days ago, and the hostess afterwards laughingly confessed her little scheme. F. H. B., in this instance stands for family hold back.—Boston Traveler.

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Lieutenant Hobson's salary is not large enough to support himself and mother and raise a large mortgage also. So let us raise it for him and make him a present of it on his first furlough.

INCORPORATE.

We have talked with several of the leading citizens on the subject of incorporation, and we find that all are thoroughly imbued with the idea. Now is the time for this improvement that is so much needed by our beautiful little city.

With our State Industrial School and the addition of many citizens, Montevallo can not keep in the same old channel as heretofore. We need a head and a watchman to this town, and one who will work to the interests of all, and one who will use no partiality, but distribute justice with an even but firm hand.

With the town incorporated, the streets would soon be clear of so many little boys loafing on the streets; the firing of pistols at all hours of the night would cease, and the watchful care that we need would be ours if we get the right man.

The NEWS is in favor of incorporating, and at once.

The home of Mrs. Hobson, mother of Richmond P. Hobson, the Santiago hero, is advertised in the Alabama Beacon for sale under a mortgage. Z. M. P. Inge, of Mobile, has associated with himself John L. Rapier, of the Mobile Register, and R. V. Taylor, auditor of the Mobile & Ohio railroad, and proposes to raise this mortgage by popular subscription by Alabama friends and admirers. The First National Bank of Mobile has been selected as a repository of the fund. All the subscriptions sent to either of the above gentlemen or the bank, will be thankfully received, and will be used to give back the boy heroe's home.

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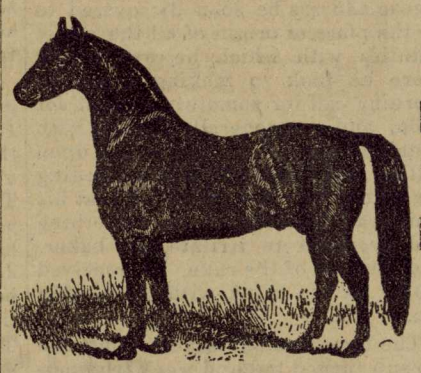

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WE TWO.

Sit here with me,
My little girl,
And while the red
And gold flames curl
With pretty sparks
Far up the flue,
I'll stroke your locks
And talk to you.

The mother's eyes
Were just like yours—
Blue as the waves
On Naples' shores;
Her hair was brown,
Like yours, too, dear,
And rippled o'er
As pink as ear.

She used to sit
Beside me here,
When nights were harsh
And woods were sere—
Ah! she was fair,
Dear, very fair,
With firelight upon her hair!

The black midnight
Would find us still
Before the blaze
And here until
The crumbling sticks
Had spread in two,
We'd sit, my child,
And talk of you.

Now, little girl,
'Tis you and I—
Your mother went
When fall passed by;
And here we sit
And list the purr
Of burning logs,
And talk of her.

Up on the hill
Your mother sweet,
Rests quietly—
Her head and feet
Deep under the snow
From stormy skies;
But you, my pet,
Have her blue eyes!

—W. Leroy Fogg, in Boston Transcript.

The Child Spy.

His name was Stenne; little Stenne they called him. He was a gamin of Paris, pale and thin, who might have been 10 years old, perhaps 15; one can never tell the age of these children. His mother was dead; his father, an old soldier, patrolled a square in the neighborhood of the Temple. Babies nurses, old women, all those helpless persons who ran the risk of being trampled on in the crowded streets, knew Pere Stenne, and loved him, too. They knew that that fierce mustache, the terror of dogs and pickpockets, concealed lips that could smile, and that to provoke that smile one had only to say:

"How is your little boy today?"

And how he loved that little boy! How proud he was when in the evening the little fellow came to join him and the two made the rounds together, greeting everyone they met.

With the siege, everything was changed. Pere Stenne's square was closed to the public. He was compelled to keep a constant lookout without his pipe or his son. When he spoke of the Prussians his mustache was a sight to see. Little Stenne did not find the new life so disagreeable, however. A siege! That meant fun for gamins. No school, no duties; vacation all the time, and the streets as lively as on gala days. The boys stayed out of doors, running about until night. He followed the detachments of troops to the fortifications, choosing those which had good music; he was very particular on that point. At other times he watched them at their drill.

The most interesting of all, though, were the games of chance the Breton troops made popular at this time. When little Stenne was not at the ramparts or at the shops you would be sure to find him watching a crowd play galoche at the Place du Chateau d'Eau. He never played it; it took too much money. He contented himself with watching the others, and with such expression! One in particular, a great fellow with a blue coat, who staked only 100-sou pieces, excited his admiration. When this boy ran one could her the coins rattle in his pocket.

One day, as little Stenne was stooping down to pick up a piece which had rolled under his feet, the fellow said in a low voice:

"That makes you squint, hey? Well, if you want me to, I will tell you where to get plenty of them."

The offer was accepted, and leading Stenne aside he asked the boy to go with him to sell French newspapers to the Prussians, adding that they could make 30 francs a trip. Stenne indignantly refused, and for three days he remained away from the place. Three dreadful days; he could neither eat nor sleep. At night he seemed to see the pile of galoches at the foot of his bed, and the 100-sou pieces gleaming in the faint light. The temptation proved too strong. The fourth day he returned to the gaming place, saw the big fellow, and agreed to go with him.

They set out one snowy morning with sacks on their shoulders, and the papers hidden under their jackets. When they reached the Flanders gate it was scarcely daylight. The large boy took little Stenne's hand, and, approaching the guard, who had a red nose and a kindly manner, he said, in a whining tone: "Please let us pass, kind sir. Our mother is sick and our father is dead. We are going to see if we can find some potatoes in the field outside."

He even shed tears. Stenne, much ashamed, hung his head. The sentinel looked at them a moment, then, glancing at the dreary while road, he said: "Pass on quickly," and there they were on the way to Aubersvilliers. How the big fellow laughed!

Confusedly, as in a dream, little Stenne saw the factories transformed into barracks, the tall chimneys, piercing the fog, partially broken off. From time to time they came upon sentinels, officers who were scouring the horizon with field glasses, and little tents, wet with snow, standing before dying fires. The large boy knew the way, and went across the fields, being careful to avoid the military outposts. Notwithstanding his precautions, they suddenly came upon a squad of riflemen. The troops were partially hidden in a ditch which bordered the Soissons railroad. This time they were not allowed to pass so readily, though the large boy told his story in the most pathetic manner. While he was weeping, an old, white-haired sergeant came out of one of the little tents and said:

"Don't cry, little fellow; we will let you go to hunt for your potatoes. But come in first and warm yourselves a bit; the little one looks frozen.

Alas! it was not the cold that made little Stenne shiver so. It was fear and shame. Inside the tent they found soldiers huddled together around a little fire, baking biscuits on the points of their bayonets. They made room for the children, and gave them a drop of their warm coffee; while they were drinking it an officer appeared at the door, called the sergeant, and, after a few words with him in a low tone, went quickly away.

"Boys," said the sergeant on re-entering, "there will be fun tonight. We have found out the Prussian countersign. I believe at last we are to capture that cursed Bourget."

Then followed an explosion of bravos and shouts. The soldiers danced and flourished their bayonets. Taking advantage of the tumult the boys slipped away. On leaving the trench they saw before them a plain, bordered one side by a long, white wall, defaced by bullets. It was towards this that they directed their footsteps, stopping often, as if picking up potatoes.

"Let us go back when we get to the wall," said Stenne.

The other boy only shrugged his shoulders and went steadily forward. All at once they heard a click and saw a gun pointed at them.

"Crouch down," whispered the large bay, throwing himself on the ground.

Once down he whistled; another whistle answered. Then they rose and went up to the fortification. Over the wall they saw two yellow mustaches under dirty military caps. The large boy jumped down beside the Prussian.

"This is my brother," he said, pointing to his companion. Stenne was so little that, on seeing him, the Prussian began to laugh, and he was obliged to take him by the arm to help him over the rampart.

Behind the wall were earthworks fallen trees and great black ditches. In each ditch were the same yellow mustaches, which laughed as the little fellow went past. In one corner was a house protected by trunks of trees. The lower story was filled with soldiers playing cards, while soup was cooking over a roaring fire. How good it smelled, and what a contrast to the camp of the French riflemen. In the upper story were the officers. They had a piano to play on.

When the little Parisians entered they were greeted with shouts of joy. The delivered their papers to the enemy. The large boy amused them by his odd language and his low wit. They laughed boisterously, repeating his expressions, fairly rolling in the Parisian mire that was thus brought to them.

Little Stenne would have liked to talk, too, to show that he was not stupid, but something seemed to choke him. In front of him, standing apart from the others, was an old Prussian who seemed to be trying to read his thoughts, as the old soldier's eyes never left his face. There were tenderness and reproach in the gaze, as if the man had a boy about Stenne's age, and as if he would have said:

"I would rather die than seen my son in such business!"

The poor boy felt as if a hand clutched his heart so that it could no longer beat. In the distance he heard his companion ridiculing the national guard, mimicking their drill and going through other drollery. At last the boy lowered his voice, the officers clustered around him and their faces became serious. The wretch was about to forewarn them of the attack to be made that night. Stenne suddenly realized what was going on and called out:

"Not that! Not that!"

The large boy replied with a loud laugh and went on. Before he had finished all the officers were on their feet. One of them showed the door to the boys and exclaimed:

"Leave at once!"

Then they began talking rapidly among themselves in German, while the large boy walked out as proudly as a duke, jingling his money in his pockets. Stenne followed with bent head and as he passed the old Prussian whose glances had hurt him so, he heard a sad voice say: "A bad business, this; a bad business!"

Once outside the boys began to run to get back as soon as possible. Their sacks were filled with potatoes which the Prussians had given them; they passed the French posts without being molested. There everything was being got in readiness for the night attack. Troops arrived silently and massed themselves behind the bank. How happy the old sergeant seemed as he placed his men! When the boys passed he recognized them and smiled kindly at them.

Oh, how that smile hurt little Stenne. He wanted to cry out:

"Don't go down there; you have been betrayed."

The other boy had said to him: "If you tell we shall be shot," so he was afraid. On reaching the city they went into a deserted house to divide their money. This was honestly done, and when little Stenne heard his gold pieces rattling in his blouse and thought of the game and galoche in store for him his crime did not seem very serious.

But when he was alone, poor child! When the large boy had left him outside his door, then his pockets began to feel heavy, and the hand which held his heart tightened its grasp. Paris no longer seemed the same place. People passing looked hard at him, as if they knew where he had been. He heard the word "Spy" in the noises of the street, in the beating of the drums along the canal. He entered the house, and was glad that his father had not yet returned. He went at once to his room and hid the crowns, which were so heavy, under his pillow.

His father had never seemed so kind and so cheerful as on this particular evening.

Encouraging news from the provinces had been received; things looked brighter. While eating his supper, the old soldier looked at his gun hanging on the wall, and said to Stenne, with his honest laugh: "Hey, my boy, how you would fight the Prussians if you were only big enough!"

About 8 o'clock they were startled by the sound of a cannon. "That is at Aubervillers; they are fighting at Bourget," said the good man, who knew the names of all the forts. Little Stenne grew pale, and, pretending to be tired, went to bed, but not to sleep. The cannonade continued. The boy pictured to himself the French soldiers going at night to surprise the Prussians and falling into an ambuscade. He thought of the sergeant who had smiled upon him, and saw him stretched out dead in the snow, and many, many others with him. The price of all this blood was hidden there under his pillow, and it was he, the son of a soldier, who * * * He stifled his sobs. He heard his father walking about in the next room, and, at last, ope na window. Down below in the square the call to arms was sounded, and a regiment was forming to march to the scene of the firing. It was a battle, then; the miserable boy could no longer restrain his sobs.

"What is the matter?" asked Pere Stenne, going into the room. The child slid out of bed and threw himself at his father's feet. At the motion the crowns rolled out on the floor.

"What is this? Have you been stealing?" said the old man in a trembling voice.

Then, in a breath, little Stenne told him that he had been to the Prussian camp, and that they had given him the money. As he talked his heart grew lighter, and he felt comforted. His father listened with an expression of terror. When the boy had finished the old man hid his face in his hands and wept aloud.

"Father! Father!" exclaimed the child.

The old man pushed the boy aside and picked up the gold.

"Is this all?" he asked.

Little Stenne nodded his head. His father then took down his gun, and, putting the money in his pocket, said:

"I am going to return it to the givers."

Without another word, without even a look behind, he went out and joined the troops who were marching past. He was never seen again!—Alphonse Daudet.

Washington Compared to Hannibal.

With a beaten and defeated army operating against overwhelming odds, he had inflicted upon the enemy two severe defeats. No greater feat can be performed in war than this. That which puts Hannibal at the head of all great commanders was that he won his astonishing victories under the same general conditions. There was one great military genius in Europe when Washington was fighting this short campaign in New Jersey—Frederick of Prussia. Looking over the accounts of the Trenton and Princeton battles he is reported to have said that it was the greatest campaign of the century. The small numbers engaged did not blind the victor of Rossbach and Leuthen. He did not mean that the campaign was great from the number of men involved or the territory conquered, but great in its conception, and as an illustration of the highest skill in the art of war under the most adverse conditions.—Senator Lodge, in Scribner.

A Duelling Absurdity.

The latest absurdity is a duelling challenge sent by a Berlin student to Dr. Coing, president of the Senate Courts of Justice and head of the Board of Law Examiners. Dr. Coing disciplined the student, and the latter sent his brother, an army officer, to Dr. Coing with a demand for satisfaction with pistols. Dr. Coing refused to meet the student, but the matter will have to be submitted to a council of honor.—New York Tribune.

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IS LIFE WORTH THE LIVING?

Is life worth the living,
With all its trials and snares,
Its hopes and disappointments,
Its sorrows, griefs and cares?
Does its joys counterbalance
The pain that it gives us here:
Does its gladness overshadow,
And wipe out every tear?

Is life worth the living,
With its mockeries of the past;
Presenting to us visions
That were too sweet to last?
Can coming joys ever lighten
New hopes—old scars efface,
Blot out youthful transgressions,
Leaving to memory not a trace?

M DASH.

"ONLY A WOMAN."

A letter received at the White House and addressed to "President McKinley, Washington, D. C.," reads: "I write to ask if I would be of any use to you in the Cuban trouble. I am only a woman, but I can nurse the sick and wounded. If you need a woman to nurse, or if in any way I can be of service to you for my country's sake, please let me know."—New York Herald.

"Only a woman," I offer my life
To the cause of country and home;
What can I do in the carnage and strife,
Where death-dealing bullets doth roam?
Every pulse of my being responds
To the land of the brave and free!
And "only a woman" will go to her death
'Neath the flag of our liberty.

Ah, answer her not with a look of contempt,
Nor say in your valor, oh, man!
'Tis "only a woman," she'll be in the way,
Her courage will flinch in the van.
Have we the time to list to her tears,
When the thunder of war is around?
"Only a woman" will cower in fear,
Where death and destruction abound.

Turn not away in derision and scorn,
For deep in that womanly breast
Beats a heart as true as the sun of morn
From its rise till it sinks in the West.
And when on the face of a soldier appears
The palid expression of death,
"Only a woman" will bandage the wounds,
And soothe and caress the last breath.

'Tis "only a woman"—the angel of earth—
Whose sweet voice can still every pain,
And heaven will beam with a glorious light
When she stands 'mong the dying and slain.
Take her, O soldier, with heart like the lion,
Nor scoff at her service, and claim
'Tis "only a woman"—but look to the skies
And whisper your dear mother's name.

For she was but "only a woman," you know,
Yet her heart was as true and as brave
As the heart of a soldier who faces grim death
'Neath the flag which above us doth wave.
Ah, answer her not with a word of contempt,
Nor turn in derision and scorn,
For "only a woman" will be at her post
When the bugle-call comes in the morn.

Frank L. Monteverde.

WHEELER DOWN TO BUSINESS.

Savannah News.

Gen. Wheeler at Tampa has gone right among the boys and makes his home in a tent, where he can advise them, look after their comfort and get acquainted with them. That is the way for an American general to treat American soldiers, and they appreciate it.

The farmer, the mechanic and the bicycle rider are liable to unexpected cuts and bruises. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the best thing to keep on hand. It heals quickly, and is a well known cure for piles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

The pen is not in it with the sword when the press censor is around.—Birmingham News.

THE UNIFORM BALE.

Its Projectors Claim That it Will Save Money for the Farmers.

Col. E. S. Peters, of Calvert, Texas, president of the Cotton Growers' Protective Association of that State, stopped over in our city yesterday, on his way home from Atlanta, where he had been attending a meeting of the ginners, compressmen and planters, in the interest of a standard uniform square bale of cotton of the size adopted and recommended by the Maritime Associations and Cotton Exchanges of Galveston and New Orleans, the Ginners' Association and the Interior Cotton Buyers' Association and the Interior Compress Association of Texas. An Advertiser reporter finding him in the city looked him up and interviewed him on the general situation of Texas, and incidentally on the advantages to be derived from getting the cotton planters closely allied, looking to a general improvement for their betterment. It seems that under the auspices of this association in Texas there has been arranged a great diversity of the crops. The farmers have been drawn closer together for their mutual benefit, and a great reform in the baling of cotton has resulted, and the barrier heretofore existing between the planters and the mercantile interests have been broken down, and they are now working in unison and harmony to secure a diversity of crops and the improvement of American cotton baling to the standard size, 24x54 inches. There are too many advantages to be derived from the adoption of this size bale to be covered in a short interview. He said among other things that the adoption of this uniform bale will not only save the farmers a vast amount of money, but it will so improve the present system of baling cotton, that if at any future time a better system should be introduced, the farmer would be in a position to fix the terms upon which they would use it. At the meeting in Atlanta, Mr. A. F. Churchill, of Brunswick, Ga., a large steamship agent, said that if he could be given cotton pressed in this uniform box, 24x54 inches, of an average density of 40 pounds per cubic foot, which it has been demonstrated could be obtained, he would be willing to make contracts for the delivery of cotton from Brunswick to all European points at a reduction in freight rates of 50 per cent. He stated that the present rate from Brunswick to Liverpool and Bremen was 65 cents, and that for cotton baled by this standard he would be willing to make contracts at 33½ cents per hundred pounds, thereby creating a saving to the farmers of the South of $1.67½ per bale.—Montgomery Advertiser, May 15, 1898.

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MORGAN BROS.

Weary William—Did you tell de ol' girl back at de house dat ye was a escaped reconcentrado from Cuba? Wandering Tank—Yes; but it didn't do no good. She jest said dat she s'posed I was so used ter goin' wit'out anyt'ing ter eat dat I didn't mind it much.—Puck.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can." The druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Farly Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Reassuring.—Patient—Look here, doctor, do you think you will ever be able to tell what is the matter with me? Doctor—Oh, yes. I will find that out at the autopsy.—Judge.

BLOCTON ITEMS.

G. D. Mitchell, of Montevallo, spent last Friday, Saturday and Sunday in Blocton with his family.

A light rain fell here last Sunday afternoon, but not enough to do much good, only laying the dust.

Ura, the little three-year-old son of Mr. Henry Milam, has been quite sick for two weeks with pneumonia, but is now much better.

Rev. A. J. Lumpkin preached interesting sermons in McCulley Town last Sunday morning and night. Good congregations attended both services.

Mrs. J. T. Mickleboro and daughter, Miss Ida, sister and niece of Dennis Mitchell, are visiting his family this week. Miss Mickleboro has been teaching in South Carolina the past session, and is en route to her home at Marion, Ala.

The mines are running every day, and have been for the past two weeks. The prospects are good for regular work during the month of June. The yearly contract expires the first of July, and there is some talk of a strike then, as the miners are going to demand a raise. It is to be hoped the matter will be settled without a strike.

Messrs. James and Zeb Prather and Walter Carleton left last week for Mobile, where they enlisted for the war. They passed their examinations and were accepted. These young gentlemen number their friends by the score, who hope they will do themselves credit in defense of their country, and a safe return home, each bringing a Spanish scalp as an evidence of their bravery.

On last Thursday at 9:50 a. m., in the office of the Probate Judge at Tuscaloosa, Mr Charley N. Milam, of Blocton, and Miss Maggie Malone, of Cooling, were united in marriage, Judge Williams officiating with his usual beautiful and impressive ceremony. Immediately afterward the happy couple left for York Station, where relatives of the bride gave them a welcome for the beginning of their honeymoon. The bride and groom have a host of friends, who wish them a long and happy life; and when their heads are whitened by cares of this world, may they review their past and see where love has ruled and helped them over the rough places into the peaceful valley of content.

Last Saturday was children's day at the Baptist church in Campbell Town. At an early hour the people began to gather, and by nine o'clock the large house was so crowded that standing room was at a premium. The children all did well, and too much praise cannot be given Mesdames Bearden and Stamps for their untiring efforts in training the children for this occasion. About 12 o'clock dinner was announced on the ground, and it was a dinner, too. There was no table, but nice, clean tablecloths were spread upon the ground in the cool shade, and the delicious viands were spread, and everybody invited to come up and partake. From the way the good cooked victuals disappeared, it was very plain to see that the dinner was appreciated. There was also plenty of free lemonade on the ground, and Messrs. Hamp Crawford and Mel Hayes deserve the thanks of the entire crowd for their kind attention to the ladies and children. In the afternoon a game of ball was played between Campbelltown nine and River Bend nine, resulting in a score of 17 to 2 in favor of River Bend. The day was most pleasantly spent, and everybody went away with their hearts full of gratitude to the good people of Campbelltown for their hospitality.

PETE.

Not So Many Doctors.

The Medical Students' Register (England), gives statistics showing that wild rush by young men into the medical profession is to be moderated. In the year 1897 the medical students registered in England, Scotland and Ireland were 1,542. There was a decrease as compared with 1895 by 97. We must go back twenty-one years, to 1876, for so low a registration number as that recorded last year. The numbers have been several times over 2,000 as in 1879, 1880, 1881, 1889, and in 1891, when they reached the appalling number of 2,405. "We cannot affect to regret the signs of arrest in this rush into the profession," commends the London Lancet. "Medicine is not improved by crowds competing for a livelihood."

Can Our Coast be Effectually Blockaded?

If confidence can be felt in the opinion of military and naval officers in high places at the seat of government, such is the vast extent of our sea coast to blockade it effectually, even if our navy and sea coast defenses could offer no adequate resistance, seems to be impossible. When a blockade of the bowels exists, relieve constipation with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which conquers dyspepsia, malaria, rheumatism and kidney trouble.

At its present rate of combustion it is thought the sun will last from 7,000,000 to 15,000,000 years before burning itself out.

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Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

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The remarks of a college professor are usually somewhat tautological.

Scrofula Swellings

Health Was Very Poor But Hood's Sarsaparilla Has Cured Her.

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BREAD OF NATIONS.

How the Staff of Life Is Made Among the Various Peoples.

It is a curious and interesting study to compare the various materials which serve the different nations of the world as the basis of their bread. In this country, where good bread, made from spring and fall wheat flour, is within reach of all, rarely a thought is given to the fact that, after all, the inhabitants of only a small portion of the earth's surface enjoy such a food. In the remoter part of Sweden the poor make and bake their rye bread twice a year, and store the loaves away, so that eventually they are as hard as bricks. Further north still bread is made from barley and oats. In Lapland oats, with the inner bark of the pine, are used. The two together, well ground and mixed, are made into large flat cakes, cooked in a pan over a fire. In dreary Kamchatka pine or birch bark by itself, well macerated, pounded and baked, frequently constitutes the whole of the native bread food. The Icelander scrapes the "Iceland moss" off the rocks and grinds it into fine flour, which serves both for bread and puddings. In some parts of Siberia, China and other eastern countries a fairly palatable bread is made from buckwheat. In parts of Italy chestnuts are cooked, ground into meal and used for making bread. Durra, a variety of the millet, is much used in the countries of India, Egypt, Arabia and Asia Minor for making bread. Rice bread is the staple food of the Chinese, Japanese and a large portion of the inhabitants of India. In Persia the bread is made from rice flour and milk; it is called "lawash." The Persian oven is built in the ground, about the size of a barrel. The sides are smooth mason work. The fire is built at the bottom and kept burning until the walls or sides of the oven are thoroughly heated. Enough dough to form a sheet about one foot wide and about two feet long is thrown on the bench and rolled until about as thin as sole leather, then it is taken up and tossed and rolled from one arm to the other and flung on the board and slapped on the side of the oven. It takes only a few moments to bake, and when baked it is spread out to cool. This bread is cheap (one cent a sheet); it is sweet and nourishing. A specimen of the "hunger bread" from Armenia is made of cloverseed, flax or linseed meal, mixed with edible grass. In the Molucca islands the starchy pith of the sago palm furnishes a white, floury meal. This is made up into flat, oblong loaves, which are baked in curious little ovens, each being divided into oblong cells to receive the loaves. Bread is also made of roots in some parts of Africa and South America. It is made from manico tubers. These roots are a deadly poison if eaten in the raw state, but make a good food if properly prepared. To prepare it for bread the roots are soaked for several days in water, thus washing out the poison; the fibers are picked out, dried and ground into flour. This is mixed with milk, if obtainable; if not, water is used. The dough is formed into little round loaves and baked in hot ashes or dried in the sun.

An Eagle Saved from Drowning.

James Johnson and Michael Burns, fishermen, rowed two miles out into the lake Sunday afternoon to rescue a supposed drowning man, and returned with a large bald eagle, which had fallen into the water exhausted, and whose flounderings resembled those of a tired swimmer. The bird still had strength enough to give battle to the fishermen, and its beak and talons were active until a fish net thrown over its head quieted its struggles. It is thought the bird escaped from some menagerie, and that its long-unused wings failed it when the flight across the lake was attempted.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Official statistics indicate that last year's crop of wheat, corn and oats in this country sold for $1,077,000,000.

The average length of a whale's jaw bone is seven feet.

Long Distance Transmission Plant.

Ten thousand horse power will be transmitted 110 miles to San Francisco if the plans of a company, of which Prince Poniatowsky is said to be the head, are completed, says Engineering News. It is proposed to utilize the water now running to waste on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada Mountains in Alpine, Amador and Calveras Counties, constructing a system of canals and a power plant. The transmission line at one place will cross San Francisco Bay with a span about 325 feet above the water. The total cost of the plant is estimated at about $1,000,000.

A Wise Man.

Flossie Flickers (of the Jollity Girls' Company)—Did you ever run for office?

Mr. Truegood—Yes.

Flossie Flickers—What office?

Mr. Truegood—The postoffice, when I found I had been carrying one of my wife's letters around for a week.—

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"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has indeed been a friend to me.

"I am now able to do my own work, thanks to your wonderful medicine. I was as near death I believe as I could be, so weak that my pulse scarcely beat and my heart had almost given out. I could not have stood it one week more, I am sure. I never thought I would be so grateful to any medicine.

"I shall use my influence with any one suffering as I did, to have them use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

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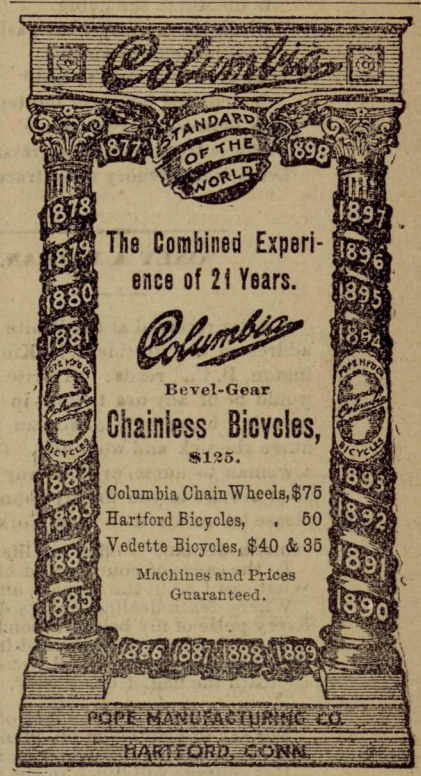

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HOW JACK MUST DRESS.

Rulers of the Queen's Navee Advise Him About Trifles.

Nothing causes more annoyance to the British bluejacket than the regulations affecting trivial details of dress, which the Admiralty are so fond of issuing.

Whoever is responsible for some of those regulations must be a humorist of no mean capacity, though his efforts are viewed by Jack in any but a humorous light. The reason of this is that as Jack has to purchase all his own uniforms, he has to bear the expense of making the petty alterations which the caprice of the authorities from time to time deems necessary.

Just recently an Admiralty order was issued which directed that in future the tapes on sailors' neckerchiefs and jumpers must be hand-sewn not machine-sewn, as heretofore. Just previous to this it had been decreed that Jack must button his flannel shirt at the back of the neck instead of at the side, and that the sleeves of the jumpers should join the body of that garment at a particular spot. There were further regulations as to the position of medals and badges, but the gem of the batch was a regulation which decreed that in future sailors must lace their trousers from the top downward instead of from the bottom upward to the waist.

For the information of those not familiar with the details of naval toggery it may be explained that Jack does not use suspenders. Instead of them he uses a short lace at the back of the waist. Consequently, the Admiralty instructions in the matter are equivalent to telling Jack that in future he must lace his boots downward instead of in the usual way. What can be the object of this alteration it is difficult to divine, as the jumper covers the lace in such a way that no one can tell whether the bow is tied at the bottom or the top.

For years past the men of the lower deck have been endeavoring to get redressed some of their grievances in relation to rations, pensions, etc., but the spare time of my lords seems to be so fully devoted to the consideration of dress reforms of the kind mentioned that they are unable to deal with more important maters.—London Mail.

A Galatea in Modern Life.

Miss Elida Wilber, of San Francisco, is a modern Galatea. Seven weeks ago while resting in her room she was overcome by monoxide gas poison. She was found unconscious next morning. Since then, though physically alive—breathing, sleeping and taking nourishment—she has been dead mentally. Her power of speech and motion has deserted her and she is apparently unconscious of her surroundings. The most eminent physicians in the State are baffled and they cannot even advance a theory as to the cause of the strange condition of the young woman.

Dr. George W. Fuller, the attending physician, has watched Miss Wilber with untiring care, but very little improvement is discernible. When suffering she makes a faint cry, which ceases immediately the pain is gone. There is nothing to be done for the case but wait.

No paralysis or hysteria has manifested itself, save this strange paralysis of the brain, if such it can be called. With anxiety and sorrow her friends watch constantly for the first signs of improvement. Her food is administered with a tube, and although her temperature has fallen, no other changes have manifested themselves. —Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Making Teeth.

This country is ahead of all others in the art of making artificial teeth. A recent computation makes the number of artificial teeth fabricated here as high as 6,000,000 annually. In one of the most complete factories, where mineral teeth are made, the chief ingredients comprise feldspar, silica and clay; those of subsidiary character are sundry metallic oxides, to produce the tints of discoloration which are necessary to make the imitation a good one.

Has Forty Living Children.

A short ride from Moosup, in what is known as the Sparks District, in the eastern part of Killingly, lives Levi Bradshaw, whose record for populating the earth is such that he deserves to become famous. Bradshaw emigrated from Canada, and has lived in that vicinity about thirteen years. He is now in his seventy-first year. He has been married three times, and he is the father of forty-one children, forty of whom are living. By his first wife he had six children, including a pair of twins. His second wife bore him twenty-four children, half of whom were twins. His present wife has presented him with eleven children.

Bradshaw was not fourteen years old when he was married the first time. The eldest son is now forty-four and has several children and grandchildren. Twenty-nine of the old man's sons and daughters are married, and all have children. The grandfather does not know just how large his family of grandchildren and great-grandchildren has become. He can enumerate up to 160, but is in the dark as to the remainder. He estimates them up to 200 or so.

The Killingly patriarch was married to his last wife in Danielson thirteen years ago. Only one of her eleven children has died. The death occurred at birth a few months ago. The rest are healthy and robust, like the father. Mr. Bradshaw is believed to be the banner father of New England, and the banner grandfather of the United States.—New London (Conn.) Day.

Old Marriage Customs.

The wedding ring finger of the Romans was the thumb.

The wedding ring, worn on the left hand, is symbolic of obedience.

Every finger of the hand has, at some time or other, been used for the wedding ring.

When Mary Stuart was married to Lord Darnley, four rings were used in the wedding ceremony.

At a certain part of the marriage ceremony in Java, the bride washes the feet of the bridegroom.

Spanish peasants believe that the water in which a wedding ring has been dipped will cure weak eyes.

The Roman bride, when being dressed for the wedding, invariably had her hair parted with the point of a spear.

Women in Business.

From the Free Press, Detroit, Mich.

A prominent business man recently expressed the opinion that there is one thing that will prevent women from completely filling man's place in the business world—they can't be depended upon because they are sick too often. This is refuted by Mrs. C. W. Mansfield, a business woman of 58 Farrar St., Detroit, Mich., who says:

"A complication of female ailments kept me awake nights and wore me out. I could get no relief from medicine and hope was slipping away from me. A young lady in my employ gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I took them and was able to rest at night for the first time in months. I bought more and took them and they cured me as they also cured several other people to my knowledge. I think that if you should ask any of the druggists of Detroit, who are the best buyers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills they would say the young women. These pills certainly build up the nervous system and many a young woman owes her life to them.

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Not Half a Chance.

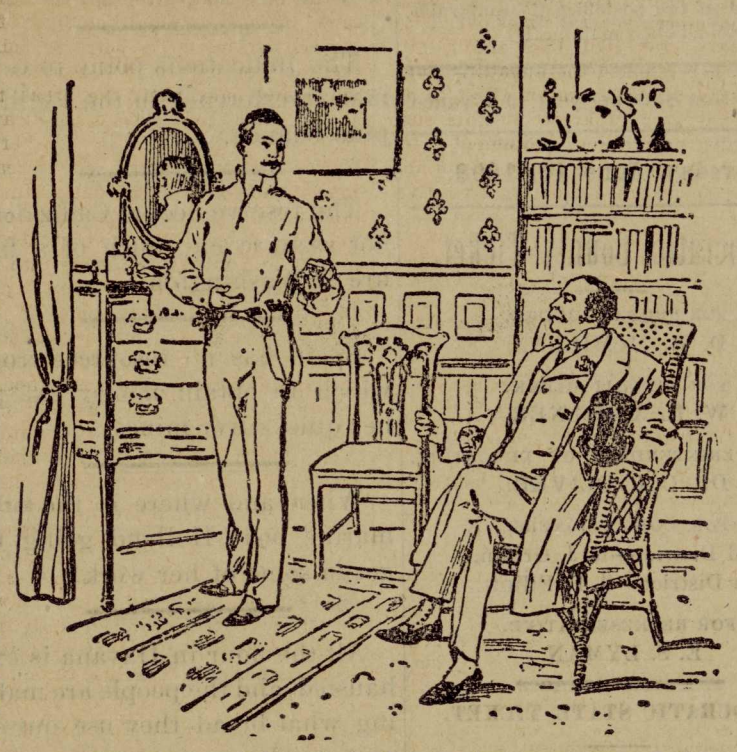
Emperor William refers to Dewey's fight at Manila as "amateurish." But William should not forget that Dewey would undoubtedly have made a much better showing if the material on the other side had not given out just as he was beginning to get his hand in.—Cleveland Leader.

Another Patriot.

"I understand that Bindle is going to apply for a pension."

"Upon what grounds, I would like to know? He never fought for his country."

"No, but he came over on the Paris and his nervous system was completely upset."—Chicago News.



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Democratic County Ticket.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE,
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FOR CIRCUIT CLERK,
W. R. A. MILNER.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
DR. C. C. OLIVER.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
2nd District—R. J. Griffin.
4th District—C. F. Elliott.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
E. S. LYMAN.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
JOSEPH F, JOHNSTON,
of Jefferson.

Chief Justice,
THOS. McCLELLAN,
of Limestone.

Associate Justices,
JAMES R. DOWDELL,
of Chambers.

JOHN R. TYSON,
of Montgomery.

JOHN HARALSON,
of Dallas.

H. A. SHARP,
of Jefferson.

For Secretary of State,
R. P. McDAVID,
of Montgomery.

For Auditor,
WALTER S. WHITE,
of Colbert.

For Treasurer.
GEORGE W. ELLIS,
of Montgomery.

For Attorney-General,
CHARLES G. BROWN,
of Jefferson.

For Superintendent of Education,
JOHN G. ABERCROMBIE,
of Calhoun.

For Commissioner of Agriculture,
I. F. CULVER,
of Bullock.

For Chancellor N. E. Chancery Division,
R. B. KELLEY,
of Calhoun.

For Judge 7th Judicial Circuit,
GEORGE E. BREWER,
of Talladega.

Last Tuesday one hundred and twenty-one years ago the "Star Spangled Banner," the flag that has since floated so proudly over the grandest nation on earth, was born, It originally had thirteen stars and thirteen stripes. Since its birth thirty-two new stars have been added—one for each additional State.

War and yellow fever combined. Whew!

Will Cervera forget Hobson and the Merrimac?

Mr. Jos. Leiter, the ex-wheat king, is out of business.

The indications point to German interference in the Phillippine Islands.

The reserve fleet at Cadiz does not seem to cut much of a figure at Washington.

Spain has no resources from which to obtain money except her quicksilver mines.

When and where is the submarine boat Holland going to get in some of her work?

All the flour in Havana is exhausted, ahd the people are making what bread they use out of corn meal.

The chance has come for small but ambitious capitalists to invest their available cash in government bonds.

As soon as the troops are landed, Sampson will force the Santiago harbor. Then we will have a Sampson day.

No town can hope to be free from rowdyism that has no city organization. Let us get together and incorporate.

We take our hat off to the Age-Herald. She is a hummer, and her news service the equal, if not superior, to any in the State.

Should Germany interfere at Manilla England, Japan and the United States would form an alliance that would rule the world.

Germany may interfere at Manilla, but Emperor William will find that Uncle Sam is not asleep and is in this business to stay until tnings are settled.

The first planting of the stars and stripes in Cuba was done at Guantanamo bay last Friday. It will stay there, and before many moons have passed it will float over all Cuba, when a brave and chivalrous people will be free.

Captain Hart, of filibustering fame, has been pardoned by President McKinley.

The Atlanta Constitution says "the present war would be greatly simplified if Admiral Sampson would allow a cargo of Florida cucumbers to run the Havana blockade.

Guantanamo was the scene of a thirteen hour engagement between the Spanish guerrillas and regulars and Col. R. W. Huntington's battalion of marines last Friday, in which the American loss was four killed and one wounded. The Spanish loss is unknown, but from evidence left it is supposed to be quite heavy.

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M.
F. F. Crowe, Sec'y.

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We regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. Will Lyman.

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Congressman W. F. Aldrich was in the city last Friday.

Miss Florence Farrington is reported as being quite sick.

Mr. Sandy Horn is on a visit to his mother in Montevallo.

Mr. W. R. Johnson, the butcher, has closed his market.

Mrs. Horn, of our town, will spend the summer in Texas.

We believe the Montevallo mail has grown since commencement.

For Sale.—A good horse for only $25 00. Apply at News office.

G. B. Dean, populist candidate for governor, was in town last week.

Better subscribe te the stock of the Montevallo Building Association.

For Sale.—A good typewriter for $25.00. Apply at the News office.

Hon. Thos. S. Plowman, of Talladega, was in town last Friday on business.

Mr. T. A. Best is working on the new M. & O. railroad, near Maplesville.

Rev. Sturdevant, Fusion candidate for representative, was in town last week.

Mr. B. F. Crabbe has leased the residence recently occupied by D. C. Savage.

Mr. D. C. Savage has removed his family to their former home at Maplesville.

Any town should have pride enough to keep its cemetery one of its prettiest places.

There are several cases of sickness reported in and near town, but nothing serious.

Messrs. John M. Fancher and W. E. Harrison visited Columbiana Monday on business.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

We understand that a new brick yard is to be started in Montevallo in the near future.

When you are very warm and thirsty, go to Crowe's and get a glass of ice cold soda water.

Mr. Geo. H. Tompkins has closed his bakery for the present on account of the dull season.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Dr. D. L. Wilkinson is the happiest man in town this morning. It is a pretty little girl.

The many friends of Mr. Sam Farrington will be glad to learn that he is on the convalescent list.

An orchestra, composed of our music loving young people, was organized last Monday evening.

Mrs. Nannie Shivers Bogges, of Waco, Texas, is visiting the family of her brother, D. W. Shivers.

A few men with picks and shovels could, within a few hours, wonderfully improve Montevallo's cemetery.

Miss Jennie Rowe, a popular young lady of Dadeville, Ala., is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. F Crabbe, this week.

The friends of Mrs. Pat Kroell will be glad to know that she has about recovered from her recent serious illness.

Master Chris Dill, who has been attending the Academy for the Blind at Talladega, returned home Thursday last.

Messrs. Clyde Reynolds and Alfred Roebuck have returned from Talladega, where they have been attending school.

The extreme warm and dry weather is causing much uneasiness, not only for the crops, but for the health of our citizens.

A chicken snake 41½ inches long was found between the window casing and wall in Mrs. Bryan's dining room Tuesday afternoon. It was killed.

We regret to chronicle the illness of our popular dressmaker, Miss Ada Dill. There are many who will join us is wishing her a speedy recovery.

The long drouth has been broken. Refreshing rains fell here Sunday. Monday and Tuesday afternoons, laying the dust and somewhat cooling the atmosphere.

Died, at her home at Aldrich, on the morning of the 15th inst., Mrs. Caroline Bowlen, aged about 47 years. The remains were interred in the Montevallo cemetery.

A certain young man, with soulful eyes and a lost expression on his countenance, was heard quite recently to remark, "I'll be doggone if I don't wish it was time for school to open again."

Rev. P. L. Abernethy, accompanied by his mother, went up to Bessemer Monday to attend the marriage of Miss Nannie Howell, a niece of Mrs. Abernethy. They are expected to return to-day.

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DOGWOOD ITEMS.

The mines are not running regular now.

Mr. Dave Evans, of Belle Ellen, was in town Sunday.

Mr. Frank Cunningham asserts that he hasn't any girl now. Oh! me.

The rain last Sunday was welcomed by all, although some of the young people got wet.

Quite a crowd from Maylene attended the singing at the Baptist church Sunday.

Misses Mamie and Tiny Woods, two of Blocton's fairest damsels, visited relatives and friends in our town last week.

The editor of the News was a welcome visitor to our town Sunday. Come again, Cbff, we are always glad to see you.

At the Dogwood church last Sunday an all day singing attracted quite a large congregation of young and old. The ones we saw reported a good dinner and lots of bright and mischievous eyes.

Messrs. Walton Carlisle, Julian McKibbon and Richard Ozley, and Misses Nona Wells, Myrtle Lawrence, Ollie and Florrie Bryan, of Montevallo, attended the singing at the Baptist church Sunday.

Prof. B. C. Williams and two friends, of Belle Ellen, spent Sunday here. The Professor came to see his best girl, who happened to be one of Montevallo's prettiest. From the close attention the Professor paid the Wells(?) forces one to believe that Belle Ellen must be a dry town.

More anon. Success to the News.

Pat Hayseed.

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Those who are contemplating entering the race should do it at once in order that their friends may know of their purpose to compete.

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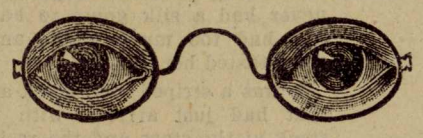

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Green banks of a river—do jest as you please—
Friend to all the singin'-birds, an' brother to the breeze.
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Green banks of a river; clover to your knees
In medders cool with shadders—the blossoms an' the bees—
The singin' of the mockin' birds—the "howdy" of the trees—
Green banks of a river, an' takin' of my ease!

—FRANK L. STANTON.

Debbie's Wages.

"Can't have it," said Farmer Colt shaking his head solemnly. "There's no use a-talking, Deborah, you can't have it. Crops are all poor this year; the rain has nigh a'most spi'it the hay; that there cow died the other night; and help is not onl lazy and sassy, but charges more'n I ever heerd tell on before. Silk, indeed! Why, my mother never had a silk gown to her name. She had too much sense, and you'd orter tasted her butter."

It was a striped silk, black and blue, that had just arrived with the fall stock at the store and the recipient of the lecture was blue-eyed Debbie Colt, her father's only daughter, who certainly earned what her father called "her salt," with her two plump little hands. Morning, noon and evening she was busy, taking upon her shoulders all the work that her dead mother had done in her lifetime, and with no help to speak of in the kitchen or dairy. It was a hard life, and when winter came and there was a little amusement to be had, a few parties, a lecture or two, perhaps a sleigh-ride, is it any wonder that Debbie experienced the natural wish for a little finery that is common to all womankind? Can one blame her as the father did for wishing once in her life for a really nice dress?

"It's only a dollar and a half a yard, pa," she began again, "and I can make it myself. I—"

But this time the old man roared:

"Didn't I tel you to shut up?" And Deb. closed her lips and went away tearfully to set the table for supper.

Perhaps the dishes did come down on the table with little bangs. Perhaps the knives were not softly and tenderly laid down. At all events, pretty soon someone who had been standing outside the door burst into a low laugh and cried out:

"Well, I never, Debbie Colt! Anybody can see you're mad by the way you sot the table. What's happened?"

"Oh, come in, Mrs. Fish," said Debbie, too cross to smile. "Come in and sit down. There's nothing much the matter, only the old story. You know how close pa is, and you know how shabby I am, just as well as I can tell you. I shall just have to shut myself up all winter, for to go out in that horrible green merino, with half the color faded out, I won't; no, indeed. The very girls at the factory look better. Sally Parker fixes up as if she were a princess, every Sunday. Pa is rich and needn't be so mean."

"Old folks get near as they get on," said Mrs. Fish, "and men folks worst of all, I do believe; but I don't know but what there's a way for you to get your dress, after all, if you ain't too stuck up to earn it, and if your pa would let you. There ain't so much to do now, and old Marthy Grey would do up the chores for you. She is always glad to hire round for her keep."

"Oh, pa wouldn't mind," said Debbie, pausing in the act of putting down a dish of apple sauce. "What is it, Mrs. Fish?"

"Well," said that lady, rummaging in her pocket—"well, I'll tell you. Oh, here it is! Old Mrs. Doughty, up on tne hill—first-class family, you know, and regular stylish house—she's lost her sight, you know—that is, pretty nigh. She can see to go about, but 'tain't safe to go alone; and she can't read, nor sew, nor nothin'. Well, today her son was speakin' to me, and he said he'd like to get a young lady to wait on his mother. Not a servant, says he, but a companion—one that can read well and would do everything a daughter could. It wouldn't be for long—only a couple of months—for they're going to Europe then; but meanwhile you'd earn your dress for quite a spell. Ih, here it is—his card I was lookin' for. He wrote down what he was willing to give, and all."

Debbie took the card and regarded it thoughtfully.

"It's September now," she said, "and at $40 a month I should have $80 by November. I never have had so much as $10 at a time in my life. I'll do it. Mrs. Fish—that is, if I should suit. I can read aloud nicely, I know; and perhaps I shall suit. Pa's consent I'm sure of."

And so, after an interview with old Mrs. Doughty, the matter was settled.

Debbie was a pleasant girl when she was not tormented by undeserved reproaches, and the life at the house on the hill was new and pleasant to her. The refinement of manners—the elegance of all arrangements—were new revelations to her, and she was adaptive by nature. Unconsciously she soon spoke in lower tones, moved more elegantly and lest those bad habits of speech which were the result of association with uneducated people; and she did her duty well and was kind and faithful.

The old lady needed her every hour of the day, but she did not weary; and, somehow, there was compensation for all fatigue in the pleasant evenings when Mr. Charles Doughty, coming home from the city, made himself as agreeable to the new inmate of the house as though she had been a guest.

"If I only had a brother like that," Debbie often thought; "if this were my home, how happy I should be!"

So the days glided by. Her first month's wages were paid, but Debbie had lost her desire for the striped silk. A heavy black silk, like those worn by Mrs. Doughty, had become her object now. Two month's salary would buy this. So she hoarded the crisp notes carefully. The dress should have a train and a little lace ruff, and it should fit her neatly and not be the shapeless bag that Miss Bones, the village dressmaker, believed to be a polonaise. Once, at least, she would let Charles Doughty see her in this—once, at least, she would prove that she could look like a lady. She hated the green merino now worse than ever, for, hide it beneath white aprons as she might, she could not hide its spottiness.

And yet Mr. Doughty was so polite, so courteous, so kind.

"What a happy woman his wife will be!" thought poor little Debbie.

Once indeed he had even taken her for a walk when she had a sick headache, and he had looked at her so sweetly. No one was so handsome, so grand. And then Debbie found tears in her eyes; she could not guess why. "Oh, to stay here forever!" she sighed.

But alas! the happiest days fly fastest. The two months were drawing to an end. There was talk about the European trip, and one day Mrs. Doughty put the last month's wages into poor Debbie's palm.

"I can't pay you for all you've done for me," she said. "But I know (Debbie had been confidential) that you want a black silk. I've made it a little more—and you can go down today and buy it, and let me feel it when you come home. I'm a good judge of silk by touch, even now."

And Debbie felt wonderfully rich, as, with a hundred dollars in her purse, she was hurried cityward by the flying train. But somehow she was not happy as she had hoped to be. She should have the dress—but her old life of thankless toil would begin again, and her friends were going to leave her. The sea would roll between her and the kind old lady and splendid Mr. Charles.

"I don't feel as if I could buy it," said Debbie to herself, as she walked up Broadway. "What do I care for the rest of the people in the place—for stupid Jack Brown and silly Bill Butters. Not a beau in the place worth having. No one interesting or pleasant. They can't be agreeable or polite; all they can do is to grin and try to kiss you. Oh, I detest them all. And the only man worth anything in the world I shal never see again."

Poor Debbie, her mind was far away, but her feet trod the city streets, and New York is not the place to go into dreamland in. Abstraction written on her face, and her reticule loosely held in her hand, the country girl was an object calculated to attract the attention of the first evil-disposed individual who met her. And very soon two young men in shabby clothes, with low, evil faces, stumbled up against her, reproved each other for "hitting against the lady," and while she, confused and alarmed, endeavored to get out of their way, snatched her reticule and fled.

The next moment, rid of her dreams for the time being, Debbie realized the fact that she was alone and penniless in a great, strange city.

"What shall I do?" she asked herself, as the tears filled her eyes. "The dress is gone, of course, but how am I to get home again? Will they take me on the cars without money,"

Stories of passengers who had been set off in swamps or tumbled over bridges, for lack of tickets, rushed into her memory. She had not a friend in New York. It was such a wicked place. Robbed now, might she not be murdered next? People looked at her curiously. An impudent foreigner leered at her. A dingy man approached and clutched her arm. He only meant to beg, but the girl's nerves were quite unstrung by this time, and she gave a little scram and turned to run. This time some one caugnt her hand.

"Oh, please don't kill me," sobbed Debbie.

But the hand was clasped more tightly.

"What is the matter, Debbie? Don't you know me?" said a voice, and there was Mr. Charles Doughty.

"Oh, thank goodness!" sighed Debbie, and clung to him as though her life were in danger.

"Take my arm, little country girl," he said. "New York is enough to distract one unused to it. And what is it? Are you lost? Have you been frightened?"

"Not exactly," said Debbie, "but I've been robbed, and I began to think I should not get back home. Oh, how good you were to find me! But, I declare, I wonder you are not ashamed of me in this shabby dres, as if my father were a beggar, not the rich man he is—and so excited, and all. I think perhaps you'd better not let me take your arm. I shall disgrace you, Mr. Doughty; I shall indeed. I declare it's blue in some places and yellow in others."

"I'm not looking at your gown, Debbie," said Mr. Charles. "I don't think any one could if it were shabbier than it is."

"It's well for me, for I shan't have another soon," said Debbie, with a sigh for the lost purse. "Is this the way to the depot, Mr. Doughty?"

"No," said the gentleman. "We are going to lunch first. You must be starved. And so the money is gone, poor child?" and he patted the hand upon his arm, and Debbie's color rose.

Her soft little face with the flush upon it—her blue eyes shining through long lashes—the golden hair—kinking itself into little waves upon the temples, as it would, being naturally curly, not crimpled—made a pretty picture. Charles bent his head lower and looked at her.

"Little one," he said, tenderly, "have you been happy with us?"

"Happier than I ever have been before," said she, from her heart.

"And you like my mother?"

"I love her," said Debbie, looking up.

"Do you like me?" whispered Charles Doughty.

Debbie looked down; and for the first time she knew that she might have given him the same answer.

He knew it, too.

"Debbie, darling," he whispered, "if you like me enough to be my wife, we can all go to Europe together. I intended to ask you before I went, at all events, but I could not be sure some village beau was not before me. There is no one—is there, Debbie?"

"There is no one like you in all the world," said Debbie.

And then they went in and had lunch together; with which prosaic termination we leave the rest to the reader's imagination.—New York News.

LAWS OF ABYSSINIA

Are Based on the Theory of "An Eye for an Eye."

The laws of Abyssinia are primitive, and based on those of the Israelites, "An eye for an eye." There are neither law courts nor lawyers; both plaintiff and defendant plead their own cause. Formerly, prior to the appointment by King Theodore of executioners, the guilty person, in case of murder, was slain in exactly the same manner in which he had taken the life of his victim. For instance, if a man killed another with a sword, the avenger of blood had to use a similar weapon. If death had been caused by blows from a club, a club was used to take the life of the murderer. This law most unjustly operated even in cases of manslaughter; and the life of a man who unwittingly and unintentionally had caused the death of another could be demanded by the relatives of the deceased. Among many others, an instance of this kind was once related to me. Two men were cutting grass on the side of a precipice, and when they were about to descend one of them fastened the end of a rope round his companion's body to lower him down the cliff, and attached the other end to the trunk of a tree. Accidentally the man to be lowered slipped before all was ready, and a coil of the rope becoming entagled round his neck he was strangled. His comrade, on subsequently descending by slipping down the rope, was horrified to find him dead at the bottom, and hastened to the village to report the circumstance. The judge passed a sentence of manslaughter and ordered a fine of $150 to be paid to the widow. The widow, however, refused the compensation and demanded the literal carrying out of the law. After some deliberation it was agreed that she should carry her point, and the unfortunate and perfectly innocent man was sentenced to be hung with the same rope which had caused the fatal accident; the rope was, accordingly, fastened round his waist, and a coil of the same passed around his neck, and he was hauled up a few feet from the ground, suspended a few moments and then lowered again. The widow believing him from all appearances to be dead was satisfied; but the relatives of the victim hastened to him and applied restoratives, which were so effective that in course of time he got up and walked away. The widow was furious, and demanded that the sentence should be again enacted, adding: "Next time I will hold on to his feet until he is dead." The judge, however, declared that justice must be tempered with mercy, and her demand was not complied with.

Gold Fish Raising.

In Oldenburg, Germany, is one of the largest gold fish farms. More than a hundred small ponds contain the fish in all stages of growth, the little ones carefully kept from the rapacious big fellows of eight inches, which would be delighted to eat their helpless brethren. In spite of this, the gold fish is a great coward, and a tiny fish with the courage to attack it can frighten it almost to death. That the demand for goldfish is large is shown by the fact that from the fish farms of Oldenburg over 300,000 fish are sent to market every year.

On the Canadian Pacific Railway there are carriages over seventy-seven feet long.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

THE GREAT DIVINE'S SUNDAY DISCOURSE.

Subject: "The Gallows For Haman"—From the Life and Death of This Persian Courtier Living Lessons of Warning and Instruction Are Drawn.

TEXT: "So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai."—Esther vii., 16.

Here is an Oriential courtier, about the most offensive man in Hebrew history, Haman by name. He plotted for the destruction of the Israelitish nation, and I wonder not that in some of the Hebrew synagogues to this day when Haman's name is mentioned, the congregation clench their fists and stamp their feet and cry, "Let his name be blotted out!" Haman was Prime Minister in the magnificent court of Persia. Thoroughly appreciative of the honor conferred, he expects everybody that he passes to be obsequious. Coming in one day at the gate of the palace, the servants drop their heads in honor of his office; but a Hebrew, named Mordecai, gazes upon the passing dignitary without bending his head or taking off his hat. He was a good man, and would not have been negligent in the ordinary courtesies of life, but he felt no respect either for Haman or the nation from which he had come. So he could not be hypocritical; and while others made Oriental salaam, getting clear down before this Prime Minister when he passed, Mordecai, the Hebrew, relaxed not a muscle of his neck, and kept his chin clear up. Because of that affront Haman gets a decree from Ahasuerus, the dastardly king, for the massacre of all the Israelites, and that, of course, will include Mordecai

To make a long story short, through Queen Esther this whole plot was revealed to her husband, Ahasuerus. One night Ahasuerus, who was afflicted with insomnia, in his sleepless hours calls for his secretary to read him a few passages of Persian history, and so while away the night. In the book read that night to the king an account was given of a conspiracy, from which Mordecai, the Hebrew, had saved the king's life and for which kindness Mordecai had never received any reward. Haman, who had been fixing up a nice gallows to hang Mordecai on, was walking outside the door of the king's sleeping apartment and was called in. The king told him that he had just had read to him the account of some one who had saved his, the king's life, and he asked what reward ought to be given to such a one. Self-conceited Haman, supposing that he himself was to get the honor, and not imagining for a moment that the deliverer of the king's life was Mordecai, says: "Why, your majesty ought to make a triumph for him, and put a crown on him and set him on a splendid horse, high-stepping and full-blooded, and then have one of your princes lead the horse through the streets, crying, 'Bow the knee, here comes a man who has saved the king's life!'" Then said Ahasuerus in severe tones to Haman: "I know all about your scoundrelism. Now you go out and make a triumph for Mordecai, the Hebrew, whom you hate. Put the best saddle on the finest horse, and you, the prince, hold the stirrup while Mordecai gets on, and then lead his horse through the street. Make haste!"

What a spectacle! A comedy and tragedy at one and the same time. There they go! Mordecai, who had been despised, now starred and robed, in the stirrups. Haman, the chancellor, afoot, holding the prancing, rearing, champing stallion. Mordecai bends his neck at last, but it is to look down at the degraded Prime Minister walking beneath him. Huzza for Mordecai! Alas for Haman! But what a pity to have the gallows, recently built, entirely wasted! It is fifty cubits high, and built with care. And Haman had erected it for Mordecai, by whose stirrups he now walks as groom. Stranger and more startling than any romance, there go up the steps of the scaffolding, side by side, the hangman and Haman the ex-chancellor. "So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai."

Although so many years have passed since cowardly Ahasuerus reigned, and the beautiful Esther answered to his whims, and Persia perished, yet from the life and death of Haman we may draw living lessons of warning and instruction. And first, we come to the practical suggestion that, when the heart is wrong, things very insignificant will destroy our comfort. Who would have thought that a great Prime Minister, admired and applauded by millions of Persians, would have been so nettled and harassed by anything trivial? What more could the great dignitary have wanted than his chariots and attendants, and palaces and banquets? If affluence of circumstances can make a man contented and happy, surely Haman should have been contented and happy. No; Mordecai's refusal of a bow takes the glitter from the gold, and the richness from the purple, and the speed from the chariots. With a heart puffed up with every inflation of vanity and revenge, it was impossible for him to be happy. The silence of Mordecai at the gate was louder than the braying of trumpets in the palace. Thus shall it always be if the heart is not right. Circumstances the most trivial will disturb the spirit.

It is not the great calamities of life that create the most worriment. I have seen men, felled by repeated blows of misfortune, arising from the dust, never desponding. But the most of the disquiet which men suffer is from insignificant causes; as a lion attacked by some beast of prey turns easily around and slays him, yet runs roaring through the forests at the alighting on his brawny neck of a few insects. You meet some great loss in business with comparative composure; but you can think of petty trickeries inflicted upon you, which arouse all your capacity for wrath, and remain in your heart an unbearable annoyance. If you look back upon your life, you will find that the most of the vexations and disturbances of spirit, which you felt, were produced by circumstances that were not worthy of notice. If you want to be happy, you must not care for trifles. Do not be too minute in your inspection of the treatment you receive from others. Who cares whether Mordecai bows when you pass, or stands erect and stiff as a cedar? That woodman would not make much clearing in the forest who should stop to bind up every little bruise and scratch he received in the thicket; nor will that man accomplish much for the world or the church who is too watchful and appreciative of petty annoyances. There are multitudes of people in the world constantly harrowed because they pass their lives not in searching out those things which are attractive and deserving, but in spying out with all their powers of vision to see whether they cannot find a Mordecai.

Again: I learn from the life of the man under our notice that worldly vanity and sin are very anxious to have piety bow before them. Haman was a fair emblem of entire worldliness, and Mordecai the representative of unflinching godliness. Such were the usuages of society in ancient times that, had this Israelite bowed to the Prime Minister, it would have been an acknowledgment of respect for his character and nation. Mordecai would, therefore, have sinned against his religion had he made any obeisance or dropped his chin half an inch before Haman. When, therefore, proud Haman attempted to compel an homage which was not felt, he only did what the world ever since has tried to do, when it would force our holy religion in any way to yield to its dictates. Daniel, if he had been a man of religious compromises, would never have been thrown into the den of lions. He might have made some arrangement with King Darius whereby he could have retained part of his form of religion without making himself so completely obnoxious to the idolaters. Paul might have retained the favor of his rulers and escaped martyrdom if he had only been willing to mix up his Christian faith with a few errors. His unbending Christian character was taken as an insult.

Fagot and rack and halter in all ages have been only the different ways in which the world has demanded obeisance. It was once, away up on the top of the Temple, that Satan commanded the Holy One of Nazareth to kneel before him. But it is not now so much on the top of churches as down in the aisle and the pew and the pulpit that Satan tempts the espousers of the Christian faith to kneel before him. Why was it that the Platonic philosophers of early times, as well as Toland, Spinoza and Bolingbroke of later days, were so madly opposed to Christianity? Certainly not because it favored immoralities, or arrested civilization, or dwarfed the intellect. The genuine reason, whether admitted or not, was because the religion of Christ paid no respect to their intellectual vanities. Blount and Boyle, and the hosts of infidels hatched out by the vile reign of Charles the Second, as reptiles crawl out of a marsh of slime, could not keep their patience, because, as they passed along, there were sitting in the gate of the church such men as Matthew, and Mark, and Luke, and John who would not bend an inch in respect to their philosophies.

Satan told our first parents that they would become as gods if they would only reach up and take a taste of the fruit. They tried it and failed, but their descendants are not yet satisfied with the experiment. We have now many desiring to be as gods, reaching up after yet another apple. Reason, scornful of God's Word, may foam and strut with the proud wrath of a Haman, and attempt to compel the homage of the good, but in the presence of men and angels it shall be confounded. "God shall smite thee, thou whited wall." When science began to make its brilliant discoveries there were great facts brought to light that seemed to overthrow the truth of the Bible. The archæologist with his crowbar, and the geologist with his hammer, and the chemist with his batteries, charged upon the Bible. Moses's account of the creation seemed denied by the very structure of the earth. The astronomer wheeled around his telescope until the heavenly bodies seemed to marshal themselves against the Bible as the stars in their courses fought against Sisera. Observatories and universities rejoiced at what they considered the extinction of Christianity. They gathered new courage at what they considered past victory, and pressed on their conquest into the kingdom of nature until, alas for them! they discovered too much. God's Word had only been lying in ambush that, in some unguarded moment, with a sudden bound, it might tear infidelity to pieces.

It was as when Joshua attacked the city of Ai. He selected thirty thousand men, and concealed most of them; then with a few men he assailed the city, which poured out its numbers and strength upon Joshua's little band. According to previous plan, they fell back in seeming defeat, but, after all the proud inhabitants of the city had been brought out of their homes, and had joined in the pursuit of Joshua, suddenly that brave man halted in his flight, and with his spear pointing toward the city, thirty thousand men bounded from the thickets as panthers spring to their prey, and the pursuers were dashed to pieces, while the hosts of Joshua pressed up to the city, and with their lighted torches tossed it into flame. Thus it was that the discoveries of science seemed to give temporary victory against God and the Bible, and for a while the church acted as if she were on a retreat; but when all the opposers of God and truth had joined in the pursuit, and were sure of the field, Christ gave the signal to His church, and turning, they drove back their foes in shame. There was found to be no antagonism between nature and revelation. The universe and the Bible were found to be the work of the same hand, two strokes of the same pen, their authorship the same God.

Again: Learn the lesson that pride goeth before a fall. Was any man ever so far up as Haman, who tumbled so far down? Yes, on a smaller scale every day the world sees the same thing. Against their very advantages men trip into destruction. When God humbles proud men, it is usually at the moment of their greatest arrogancy. If there be a man in your community greatly puffed up with worldly success, you have but to stand a little while and you will see Him come down. You say, I wonder that God allows that man to go on riding over others' heads and making great assumptions of power. There is no wonder about it. Haman has not yet got to the top. Pride is a commander, well plumed and caparisoned, but it leads forth a dark and frowning host. We have the best of authority for saying that "Pride goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall." The arrows from the Almighty's quiver are apt to strike a man when on the wing. Goliath shakes his great spear in defiance, but the small stones from the brook Elah made him stagger and fall like an ox under the butcher's bludgeon. He who is down cannot fall. Vessels scudding under bare poles do not feel the force of the storm, but those with all sails set capsize at the sudden descent of the tempest.

Again: this Oriental tale reminds us of the fact that wrongs we prepare for others return upon ourselves. The gallows that Haman built for Mordecai became the Prime Minister's strangulation. Robespierre, who sent so many to the guillotine, had his own head chopped off by the horrid instrument. The evil you practice on others will recoil upon your own pate. Slanders come home. Oppressions come home. Cruelties come home.

You will yet be a lackey walking beside the very charger on which you expected to ride others down. When Charles the First, who had destroyed Strafford, was about to be beheaded, he said, "I basely ratified an unjust sentence, and the similar injustice I am now to undergo is a sensible retribution for the punishment I inflicted on an innocent man." Lord Jeffries, after incarcerating many innocent and good people in London Tower, was himself imprisoned in the same place, where the shades of those whom he had maltreated seemed to haunt him, so that he kept crying to his attendants: "Keep them off, gentlemen, for God's sake, keep them off!" The chickens had come home to roost. The body of Bradshaw, the English judge, who had been ruthless and cruel in his decisions, was taken from his splendid tomb in Westminster Abbey, and at Tyburn hung on a gallows from morning until night in the presence of jeering multitudes. Haman's gallows came a little late, but it came. Opportunities fly in a straight line, and just touch us as they pass from eternity to eternity, but the wrongs we do others fly in a circle, and however the circle may widen out, they are sure to come back to the point from which they started. There are guns that kick!

Furthermore, let the story of Haman teach us how quickly turns the wheel of fortune. One day, excepting the king, Haman was the mightiest man in Persia; but the next day, a lackey. So we go up, and so we come down. You seldom find any man twenty years in the same circumstances. Of those who, in political life twenty years ago were most prominent, how few remain in conspicuity. Political parties make certain men do their hard work, and then, after using them as hacks, turn them out on the commons to die. Every four years there is a complete revolution, and about five thousand men who ought certainly to be the next President are shamefully disappointed; while some, who this day are obscure and poverty stricken, will ride upon the shoulders of the people, and take their turn at admiration and the spoils of office. Oh, how quickly the wheels turn! Ballot-boxes are the steps on which men come down quite as often as they go up. Of those who were long ago successful in the accumulation of property, how few have not met with reverses! while many of those who then were straitened in circumstances now hold the bonds and bank keys of the nation. Of all fickle things in the world, fortune is the most fickle.

Again: this Haman's history shows us that outward possessions and circumstances cannot make a man happy. While yet fully vested in authority and the chief adviser of the Persian monarch, and everything that equipage and pomp and splendor of residence could do were his, he is an object lesson of wretchedness. There are to-day more aching sorrows under crowns of royalty than under the ragged caps of the houseless. Much of the world's affluence and gaiety is only misery in colors. Many a woman seated in the street at her apple-stand is happier than the great bankers. The mountains of worldly honor are covered with perpetual snow. Tamerlane conquered half the world, but could not subdue his own fears. Ahab goes to bed, sick, because Naboth will not sell him his vineyard. Herod is in agony because a little child is born down in Bethlehem. Great Felix trembles because a poor minister will preach righteousness, temperance and judgment to come. From the time of Louis the Twelfth to Louis the Eighteenth was there a straw-bottomed chair in France that did not sit more solidly than the great throne on which the French kings reigned?

Were I called to sketch misery in its worst form, I would not go up the dark alley of the poor, but up the highway over which prancing Bucephali strike the sparks with their hoofs and between statuary and parks of stalking deer. Wretchedness is more bitter when swallowed from gemmed goblets than from earthen pitcher or pewter mug. If there are young people here who are looking for this position and that circumstance, thinking that worldly success will bring peace to the soul, let them shatter the delusion. It is not what we get, it is what we are. Daniel among the lions is happier than King Darius on his throne. And when life is closing, brilliancy of worldly surroundings will be no solace. Death is blind, and sees no difference between a king and his clown, between the Nazarene and the Athenian, between a bookless hut and a national library.

In olden time the man who was to receive the honors of knighthood was required to spend the previous night fully armed, and with shield and lance to walk up and down among the tombs of the dead. Through all the hours of that night his steady step was heard, and, when morning dawned, amid grand parade and the sound of cornets the honors of knighthood were bestowed. Thus it shall be with the good man's soul in the night before heaven. Fully armed with shield and sword and helmet, he shall watch and wait until the darkness fly and the morning break, and amid the sound of celestial harpings the soul shall take the honors of heaven amid the innumerable throng with robes snowy white streaming over seas of sapphire.

Mordecai will only have to wait for his day of triumph. It took all the preceding trials to make a proper background for his after successes. The scaffold built for him makes all the more imposing and picturesque the horse into whose long white mane he twisted his fingers at the mounting. You want at least two misfortunes, hard as flint, to strike fire. Heavy and long continued snows in the winter are signs of good crops next summer. So, many have yielded wonderful harvests of benevolence, and energy because they were a long while snowed under. We must have a good many hard falls before we learn to walk straight. It is in the black anvil of trouble that men hammer out their fortunes. Sorrows take up men on their shoulders and enthrone them. Tonics are nearly always bitter. Men, like fruit trees, are barren unless trimmed with sharp knives. They are like wheat—all the better for the flailing. It required the prison darkness and chill to make John Bunyan dream. It took Delaware ice and cold feet at Valley Forge, and the whizz of bullets, to make a Washington. Paul, when he climbed up on the beach at Melita, shivering in his wet clothes, was more of a Christian than when the ship struck the breakers. Prescott, the historian, saw better without his eyes than he could ever have with them. Mordecai, despised at the gate, is only predecessor of Mordecai, grandly mounted.

CLARK FIRST TO LAND.

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German Press Show Unfriendly Feeling Toward United States.

Advices from Berlin state that there is no material change in the feeling in Germany in regard to the war between Spain and the United States. The government avoids expressing its views on the subject and a few of the German newspapers persist in their attitude of little short of hostility toward the United States.

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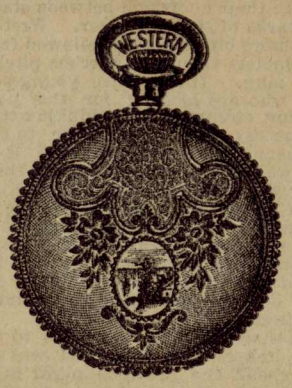

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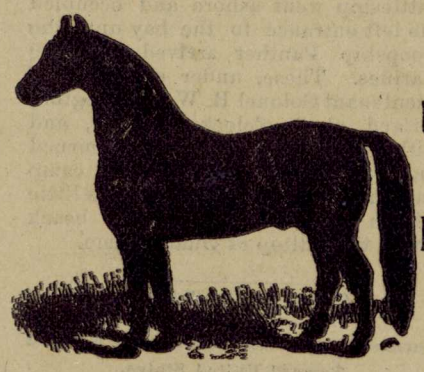

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The Story of a Carbuncle as Told by the Nerves of Sensation.

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Reader, did you ever have a carbuncle? Then you have missed a large experience. How's that? You say you have had about the same thing—several large boils? Now see here. If that is all you know about carbuncles, just stop right here. Don't read any farther, for nothing will penetrate such colossal ignorance except a carbuncle. "About the same thing?" Why, man, there is about as much similarity betweon a boil and a carbuncle as there is between a Sunday school picnic and a naval battle. You must be thinking of some little puny, one-horse, sickly little imitation carbuncle when you talk that way. If ever you tackle a real first-class, four-horse, all-wool-and-a-yard-wide, a full-jewelled-double-case-stem-winding carbuncle, you will wish for two or three big boils just to divert you and help you bear your misery.

I have had a carbuncle—in fact, several of them—but the one I wish to tell about is as fine a type as you will often meet with. I am somewhat at a disadvantage in trying to describe it, because I cannot speak as an eye-witness—having never seen it. This is not due to a want of proximity, for we were very near to each other. But I am troubled with a physical defect dating back to the time of my birth, which prevents my seeing anything on my backbone. I have suffered a good many inconveniences from this singular conformation, but it doubtless has its compensations, so that I do not claim for this narrative the accuracy of detail usually accorded to an eye-witness.

Nor can I write from hearsay; for the people who did see it evidently knew less about it than I did. According to their statements, it ranged in size all the way from an egg to a clod of dirt. As to its great leading characteristics, they were always seeking information from me.

Therefore I am shut up to my nerves of sensation, as the only source of information. And why not? The eye-witness depends on the testimony of the optic nerve, the hearsay man depends on the auditory nerve for his information, and it seems to me that my nerves of sensation have just as much right to be heard in court. To those who are blissfully ignorant of carbuncles, the picture may seem overdrawn, but those who have had experience will recognize the fidelity of the description.

Once, upon a day most busy,
When my aching head grew dizzy
Over stacks of mail that waited to be sorted o'er,
Suddenly there came a twitching,
Crawling, burning, awful itching
Of the skin that I had sometimes felt before.
In my deep preoccupation,
"'Tis a flea," I said, "that seeks location
Somewhere near my vertebration
Some lone flea that worn and weary, seeks some strength
From out my store.
This it is and
Nothing more."

Ah! distinctly I remember,
It was not the bleak December,
Nor yet the chill and raw November,
But the bonnie month of May,
And each separate, bulky MS.
That upon my desk there lay,
Seemed fairly bursting with impatience to be read without delay,
When once again I felt that twitching,
Crawling, awful itching
Of the skin, that sometimes felt will be forgotten
Nevermore.

"Sure," said I, "by every token,
Though thy name be still unbroken,
No herd of fleas could ever raise such Cain as thou hast sometimes raised before.
But, pardner, I will surely find thee,
And I'll get in straight behind thee,
And I'll surely catch and bind thee
As I have in days of yore."

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And I searched until I found him
Perched within a tiny pimple
Just upon my backbone's rim,
Such a modest, tiny pimple
That it really did look simple
To suppose that there was any harm in store
But there he had perched upon my backbone sure,
Perched and sat,
And a good deal more.

The reader will observe that here the narrative changes its form from poetry to prose, which is a strong point in evidence that I had the carbuncle; for if it had all been written alike, it would have been strong presumptive evidence that I was merely drawing on my imagination instead of any experience. As soon as I found it I locked my desk and started out to find a doctor. Finding one disengaged, I said: "Doctor, there is an infant carbuncle that has got lost from its ma and has become tangled in the pores of my skin and can't get out. It's ma may be uneasy about it, and I really do not need it in my business. Will you be kind enough to take your lancet and cut a hole large enough for it to get out?"

"Certainly," said the doctor; and taking his lancet he cut a slit that my nerves reported as about two inches long—long enough for a half-grown carbuncle to have escaped if it wanted to. "Now," said the doctor, "it is bleeding pretty freely; wait till the flow of blood stops and I will pour in some carbolic acid which may help him to get out."

That's an idea pervading the medical mind, that carbolic acid is distasteful to carbuncles, but they fatten on it. There is but one thing they like better, and that is iodiform. But do you think the little heathen would come out? Not much. On the contrary, he began to bore out subcutaneous galleries and fix up a permanent abode. Within two days it had grown to grand proportions and set up a claim as governor of the province. The doctor came again and said it would have to be subsoiled. So he drove in his plow-lancet—according to the report of my nerves—about a foot deep and got under the hard pus. How he did rip and tear and tug and strain; and sometimes the plow would hang against such a tough piece that it would jump out. Then he would have to back and take a running start. But he got it plowed out after awhile. Next day he came back and cross-plowed it. By that time the carbuncle had control of almost the entire boarding-house. It issued a decree that I should be clothed in flaxseed poultices and a clawhammer shirt, and I proceeded to clothe myself accordingly.

A clawhammer shirt is made by taking the ordinary night shirt of commerce, a garment designed to fit the proportions of the Cardiff Giant, and split it from the back of the neck to the southern terminus. In appearance it is distinctly unattractive, and is about as comfortable to wear as a bolt of cloth with one end pinned around the neck and the rest of it trailing around promiscuously in the way of the feet.

You don't think you would allow as small a thing as a carbuncle to dictate what you would wear? Oh, yes, you would. You don't think so, but you would. And you'd do more than that. As long as that carbuncle abode with you, you would recognize it as the great central fact of your life, around which every other fact must group itself the best it could. It would determine what you would say and when you would say it; whether you would eat or sleep, or whatever else you did.

A lady friend would drop in to see you, and you would start a smile full of gratified vanity and delight, and would intend to say, "Delighted to see you. Have a seat. It is almost worth while to be sick to receive such a guest."

But about the time that smile was half spread, the carbuncle would touch a little nerve and splinter that smile into a thousand angles of facial deformity. Instead of saying what you started to say, a gentle nudge from the carbuncle and you would say, "Hemp! Oh!! Ah-vo-oo-o-o!!!—!!!" or words to that effect.

The doctor might howl at you all day to eat, but if that carbuncle said, "Don't eat," you wouldn't do it. The doctor might insist that you lie still and be quiet, but at the suggestion of that carbuncle you would go wriggling and squirming over the bed, like a worm in hot ashes.

Your dignity and self-respect might tell you to bear the pain silently and show how brave and strong a man can be, but at the beck of that carbuncle you'd howl like a fog horn or whine like a baby. You'd do about anything that carbuncle said do and do it without argument.

And flaxseed poultices: Well, the whole house became a poultice factory with three energetic and ambitious young men working all niget. The morning found the bed poulticed, from one end to the other, the pillows poulticed, the floor, the very atmosphere poulticed, to say nothing of the carbuncle and my

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BATTLESHIP AND TORPEDO BOAT.

Smooth and lean—they have stripped her clean
Down to her leering guns.
A-weather and lee she smashes the sea
With her weight of ten thousand tons,
From bow to stern her watches turn
The beams of her searching suns.

A-wash, half-drowned, we speed a-round
To beat the veering light,
For she must see ere her fangs are free
That she may begin to bite,
And we laugh where we lie, at the blundering eye
That misses us in the night.

They have freighted her with five hundred men;
She is fierce with rifled guns;
But she cannot mark as she rolls in the dark,
The death that comes and runs.
We flit as a mist wreath on the sea,
And ere her topmen leap
We have struck and fled and the riven dead
Are sucked in the whirling deep.

With the Price of Blood.

A Mexican Woman's Dark Deed.

Sola Vejar, simple child of a guileless race, believed in her very soul that wealth would outweigh in the heart of Antonio Mascavel the beauty of Refugio Garfias, great and renowned though that might be. Therefore, and for this only, did she sigh for riches and hate poverty with which Providence had seen fit to curse her. For Sola was not beautiful, save for the beauty that some find in a firm chin and a powerful mouth, a wide forehead and deep eyes overset with mighty brows—which may have their charm for the student of his kind, but not for a lover, and, least of all, for a Mexican lover.

Antonio Mascavel preferred the type of Refugio—small-featured, red-lipped, soft-eyed, graceful, and lovely as a dark venus. And his opinion was also that of the surrounding country, of the city of Los Angeles, and the mission of San Gabriel. The fame of the daughter of Garfias had spread even among the Americans, and when strangers asked to be shown a beautiful Mexican, they were taken to the home of Garfias, upon the outskirts of Sonora town. So it may be supposed that Refugio had lovers. They came from far and near, and from every rank of California life. There was an American whose fortune was vast and as generously spent as fortunes were in the early fifties; there was an Englishman with a determination to have her at any cost, even at that of a few lives—a tendency of character which accounted for his presence in the States and for his expatriation; there were innumerable Mexicans, ranchers, shop-keepers, desperadoes, and gamblers. All followed tamely and suppliantly in Refugio's train.

But she loved only Mascavel. She admitted it at last to Senor Garfias, when that wiry little creature demanded that she make a choice. The senor was aghast. The possibility of it had not occurred to him.

"Antonio Mascavel!" he said. "But you do not know him."

Refugio nodded her little head. "Yes, she said.

Of this Senor Garfias became gradually aware after he had protested for hours and days, and after finding that despite his prohibitions, despite close supervision, his fair daughter and Mascavel were in constant communication.

Then he hunted up Antonio himself, and he pleaded with him, courteously and respectfully, for Mascavel was a big man and a desperate one. But he, too, answered that he loved and when all was said and done, it had gone no farther than this, that they both loved, and that wisdom might stand aside.

Garfias went with his baffled hopes to Senor Vejar—the brother of Sola. The house of Vejar—a two-roomed adobe which had never been whitewashed—stood several hundred yards further north along the road than that of Garfias. It was the last one before the open country, and had no neighbors.

Senor Vejar was much younger than Garfias. He had the same mighty brow and powerful mouth that made his sister hideous to a race that loves all things gentle and gracious. He was one of those who pined for Refugio, but her father did not know this. So he told him the whole story of his twarted will and plans, and implored advice as he made a cigarette.

"If it were not for the cursed laws of the Gringoes; if things were as they were in my youth, I could force my own daughter to marry the man I pleased," he said.

Vejar shook his head. "You cannot do that," he answered.

"What, then, shall I do?" Garfias was moved to the point of tears. They hung on his long black lashes and dropped on his old blue overalls.

The situation was too complicated to be set straight in a moment. It was not simplified by Vejar's having his own suit and chances to consider. "I cannot advise you at once," he said; "I will think and will help you, if I can, in the morning." He took counsel with his sister when Garfias had ridden away.

"Oh!" snarled Sola, "the love of Antonio! A thousand dollars would bury it so deep that it would never rise again."

"Yet," said her brother, not understanding women, "you would be glad to have it."

The deep eyes shone. She shrugged her shoulders. "Yes, I would be glad to have it. And I could have it for a thousand dollars—perhaps less."

"At that cost you must be content to go without it. What advice shall I give to Don Garfias?"

"How should I know? Let him see to his own troubles, and be glad that your sister is not so beautiful that you have no peace because of her."

It was long after dark when a horse stopped at Vejar's adobe. Vejar had been asleep. He jumped up and went to the door. He had his finger on the trigger of his revolver. A man stood under the broken-down ramada. Before he spoke, the Mexican had seen by the moonlight that he was a Gringo. They talked together in low tones until Sola joined them, rubbing her eyes and moving noiselessly with her bare feet across the dirt floor.

"This man," said her brother, "is an American. He says he has ridden all day to get into Los Angeles before night, but his horse went lame. It is so bad now that he can go no further, and he wishes to stay here until morning."

"Let him stay," said Sola, not too graciously. "He can have my bed. I cannot sleep."

Vejar grunted in much contempt. "Mascavel does not lie awake for you," he said.

Sola made no answer. She accepted the fact. She put the American upon the blanket covered willow boughs that she called her bed. Her brother tied the horse beside his own in the roofless adobe workhouse, and fed it some day. He did nothing for its lame foot. The suffering of a dumb animal is a matter of pure indifference to a Mexican, when it is not cause for laughter.

The American was a mere youth. Sola saw that when the patch of moonlight finally worked around to where she sat upon the floor, leaning against the wall, and went near to see if he were breathing. It seemed that he slept very lightly, for he started up, with his left hand upon his belt and his right hand upon his revolver.

"You were so still I thought you might be dead," said Sola, in her deep, placid voice, full of the Indian sweetness of sound. He took his hand from the weapon and lay back shamefacedly. It was only a woman, a thick-set, lazy, good-hearted Mexican. He had not been able to see her face, and he did not know that the comfortless pallet was her bed. He turned on it and fell asleep again. But Sola sat thinking. Long after her brother was dreaming in the next room she crouched, looking into the darkness, with her great, wide eyes—seeing nothing. And in her brain ran the clink of the coins as the young Gringo had put his hand to his belt. There was a purpose in her unflinching mind. That she debated it therein was due only to her uncertainty as to how many coins had clinked, as to whether there were enough to buy Antonio Mascavel. Five hundred dollars would do it—for a time. After that he might kill her; or he might let her live and go away with Refugio—which would be worse. He was a gambler through and through, and none the less so because of being luckless. A few hundred dollars in actual cash would present to him unlimited possibillities of the wealth that it might win. And there is always the poor chance, in a woman's mind, that the man may learn to love as she loves. He might forget Refugio; or she might marry some one else.

She went slipping across the earthen floor and groped in a corner behind a string of chiles. Her hand came out from the shadow holding a knife that gleamed as she moved back through the strip of moonlight and toward the willow-bough pallet where the incautious youth lay, sleeping heavily now.

Fifteen minutes later she went into the room where her brother lay upon a bed like her own. She roused him with her bare foot. He turned with a sleepy grunt.

"Get up and come here," she said. She was not a capricious creature. It was her way to do little, but that in dogged earnest. So Vejar sprang up and went with her. She stopped beside the bed and pointed down to the body.

"I have killed him," she said.

Vejar made no answer. He did not understand.

"I have killed him," she repeated. "You take him away and bury him."

It flashed upon Vejar that what his sister said was true. He was frightened. He dropped down beside the body and dragged it into the streak of moon light.

"Take care," Sola warned him; "if there is blood on the floor it can be seen. I can burn the blanket that is on the bed; and no one saw him come."

Vejar let the body fall, and stood up facing her. She could see the dreadful light in his eyes, but she did not care.

"You can turn his horse loose and it will never be known," she said indifferently. "He had money. There is eight hundred dollars. I have counted it. Antonio will marry me for that."

Vejar struck her down with a blow on the breast. She sat upon the floor as quietly as if she were basking in the sun, dreaming the eternal Mexican dreams.

"If you hit me again I shall say that you did it. They would believe me."

Vejar stood thinking, with the body and the woman at his feet. He knew that she was right. The Gringoes would believe a woman. It was the custom of the fools. She held his life in her hard, broad hands, and she would give it for the sake of the soft-eyed gambler as calmly, as relentlessly as she had given that of the boy between them.

He carried the body out and buried it before dawn, far from the adobe, and so skillfully that there were no traces of the spot. Then he turned the lame horse loose, and it wandered into the town.

For the sake of the forty gold pieces that were Sola Vejar's dowry that she had come by, he did not ask how—nor care—that conjured up visions of limitless wealth to be won, Antonio Mascavel consented to take her and let the ungilded beauty of Refugio Garfias go.

Many Americans disappeared in those days, and were never accounted for. It was so with the one who had started from the San Fernando district to Los Angeles, foolishly carrying a large amount of gold in his belt—some said more than a thousand dollars. The sheriff and a posse searched and did not find him; that was all.

Antonio lived with Sola for a year, and she was happy—though no fault of his. His luck turned, and he won, with her nest egg, the fortune he had dreamed of. Having done so, he went across the border.

For a long time Sola mourned, sullenly and deeply; then—Vejar having been killed at a round-up by an enraged steer—she took up her abode with Refugio, and became a devoted and patient nurse to her children.

For Refugio had married the rich American, and had long since forgiven the defection of Mascavel and the woman who had caused it.—Gwendolen Overton, in the Argonaut.

LEARNING TO SWIM.

The Chief Characteristic of a Good Swimmer is a Slow Stroke.

"Just as soon as the warm weather sets in, many persons who, at the close of last summer, were able to swim a few strokes, will again somewhat timorously enter the water," writes Frank H. Vizetelly in an article on "The Simple Art of Swimming" in the Woman's Home Companion. "The majority will find this self-imposed task far more difficult than is anticipated. It is necessary to remind those who indulge in short, hurried strokes that one of the golden rules of swimming is move slowly and deliberately. Those who wish to become good swimmers must cultivate self-reliance, and they should always bear in mind that water itself has a sustaining power far greater than that of most liquids. The slow stroke is the very essence of good swimming. It enables the bather to inflate the lungs and thus unconsciously turn them temporarily into life-preservers. To move slowly is to get plenty of breathing time, and to get plenty of breathing time is to get plenty of strength to repeat the movements which propel the body through the water. Te second golden rule which the beginner sould school herself to remember is that the living human body is specifically lighter than water, and that, consequently, it does not necessarily sink therein. Confidence in the sustaining power of water is the only secret to swimming. The best way to convince the novice of the buoyancy of water is to let her wade out until the water comes up to her breast; but before doing this she should take care, when in shallow water, to immerse her whole body, so as to avoid the rush of blood to the head, from which many bathers suffer through neglecting to do this. With the water once on a level with the breast the bather should lie on her back and extend her arms out beyond her head, but not raised out of the water. This position makes breathing easy and counterbalances the weight of the legs. The bather should lie restfully and avoid stiffening the nether limbs. The hips should be rigid, the feet close together, but not out of the water, for if they were they would overbalance the weight of the head and carry it beneath the surface.

Evil Rings of Feathers.

Witch wreaths have been steadily losing prestige since old colonial days, when witches were burned and old ladies of taciturn nature were supposed to take midnight rides upon long, rakish-looking broomsticks. The University of Pennsylvania, however, recently received a veritable witch wreath of the old sort. It was presented to the university by Dr. George B. Kline of Pittsburg.

The curiosity consists of a matted ring of chicken feathers, and is about three inches in diameter. It is common belief among ignorant residents of parts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey that the witch wreath is an instrument of evil. The legend is that the wreaths form in pillows subjected to evil influences, and that a person sleeping on such a pillow will surely die. The superstitious put bibles under their pillows to prevent the evil circle from forming. The wreath presented to the university was found in the pillow of a resident of Pittsburg, who died while using the pillow.

Sulphur Waters.

A well on Sanibel Island, Florida, which had always been fresh water, changed to sulphur water a few weeks after a windmill had been erected over it to utilize the water for irrigation purposes.—New York Journal.

NEWS FOR THE FAIR SEX.

ITEMS OF INTEREST ON NUMEROUS FEMININE TOPICS.

Woman "Codfisher"---Tip-tilted Hats---Use For a Half-worn Skirt---Trials of an Empress---Etc., Etc.

WOMAN "CODFISHER."

Mrs. William Champlin of Montauk, has just made for herself a record as a "codfisher." Her husband, who is engaged in the codfish business off Montauk, has usually been accompanied on his trips by another bayman. Last week he was taken sick, and Mrs. Champlin volunteered to fill his place as "second man" in the boat. Her husband was rather dubious as to her ability to fill the bill, but she was not to be daunted.

She donned the attire of a fisherman and set out with her husband's partner. The day was spent in fishing, and when they returned to the beach the couple had caught together a total of 175 fish.—New York Times.

TIP-TILTED HAT.

To be in style every woman must have at least one hat which tip-tilts over her nose. When becoming, this style of wearing the hat is very becoming; but when unbecoming it is horrid. No woman with a turned-up nose should wear a hat turned down to meet it, for then brim and nose look exactly as if they were trying to get at each other and couldn't quite make it. On the other hand, a conspicuous straw hat loaded down with veiled flowers, feathers, and so on, should not be set down over a large ,drooping nose, for then the brim looks very much as if it were running the said nose a good race. To the average nose the tip-tilted hat is becoming, and that is well, for everybody is wearing it. Nothing is more fascinating than to see a pretty pair of dark or blue eyes peering out from underneath one of these flower-laden brims.—New York Sun.

USE FOR HALF-WORN SKIRT.

A prominent woman possessing a half-worn skirt can now have it made to look fresh and fashionable by using it as a foundation for ruffles, extending from the hem to a circular yoke, which should be made of a fresh piece of silk. Apply the top flounce to the joining. Black and white striped or dotted silk can also be freshened in a like manner. Any odd bodice looks well with the black skirts. Fluffy odd blouses are still in demand. One built of lavender mousseline de soie is gathered into full puffs with triple headings between. They are arranged to encircle the corsage. From the top of each sleeve comes a scarf of lavender taffeta arranged in loops over the shoulder. They are also draped across the front of the corsage and are tied in a knot to form a cascade at the middle of the bodice. The close fitting sleeves of the taffet are veiled with the mousseline de soie.

TRIALS OF AN EMPRESS.

The German Empress has been obliged to protect against too open demonstrations from her subjects in public. Women who have been in the habit of throwing her bouquets of flowers as she drove by have sometimes inflicted uncomfortable wounds, the wires about the flowers scratching her face. There were only two things to be done—either the enthusiasm of the women must be suppressed or their skill in throwing flowers might have been established. There are schools for almost everything else we do, from dancing, speaking, breathing to thinking; from making proper approaches and salutations to beating proper retreats. A child is even taught how to kiss properly, so as not to bump against the face or to be awkward or uncomfortably ardent in its demonstration. But an accurate and sure aim, so that dangerous results might be avoided and proper enthusiasm expressed, was recognized, no doubt, as lying beyond the possibilities of the average woman with missiles of good will in her hands. At any rate, it was thought better to suppress rather than to cultivate her, which, all things considered, seems well.

WORK OF A TRAVELING WOMAN.

Mrs. Jane Macdonald, who is sent South and East by the Chamber of Commerce and "Half Million" Club of San Francisco to boom her State and attract imigrants there, has had a checkered, but in all a successful, life. She first went to California when twelve years old. On the way she rode horseback with her father, who was captain of a wagon train, from Council Bluffs to Carson City. They started on April 1st, and arrived in Carson City on September 15th. Mrs. Macdonald tells how, when left a widow with children to support, she started a millinery shop; failing in that she began to canvass books. In this she succeeded until facilities for travel decreased her receipts. Then she traveled for hotels, then for roailroads, and now the State of California has secured her services. Mrs. Macdonald will accept no place at smaller wages than men demand, for, as she says, she will not cheapen woman's work.—New York Tribune.

THE BABY'S OUTFIT.

Three or four flannel shawls, about thirty inches square and bound with ribbon, will be found very useful while the baby is young. They are easy to wrap around the baby after a bath and when ready for a nap. Little sacks are also needed, and can be knited in white with pink and blue borders, or be made on a short yoke, or can hang straight from the neck, and be trimmed with a broad collar, and tied with a ribbon in front. Two or three wrappers can be simply made, perfectly of Scotch flannel, either on a yoke or with a cluster of tucks across the front. Three or four knitted blankets are necessary, and can be made of light pink, blue or white. White, as a rule, washes best. The long coat can be made of silk, cashmere, or any soft white goods. It should be lined with a thin silk, so as to slip on and off easily, and if a winter coat lined throughout with lamb's wool. It can be trimmed with a wide collar or a round shoulder cape if desired. A little cap should go with the coat, made of the same material, and lined if for winter; but in summer the dainty little muslin caps are the best.

The baby's basket is a delightful article to plan about, and can be made in a variety of ways. The long, low shape is perhaps the most convenient. If it is to be trimmed at home tack cotton batting on to the sides, which have been sprinkled with orris powder and then cover with whatever material is desired. Rose or light blue silk is a pretty foundation, covered with either a fine dotted muslin or point d'esprit lace. The muslin or lace should be sewed on full, but the silk can be put on plain. A flowered silkolene can be used in place of these. This, of course, should be put on full, as it does not have the lace over it. A big satin bow at the side or on the top makes a pretty finish. In the tray are kept the baby's toilet articles, and in the underneath part of the basket the baby's clothes. The tray should contain a pin-cushion on which are the assorted sizes of safety-pins. A little cup shaped bag can be made of rubber cloth covered with whatever material the basket is trimmed with, and sewed into one corner of the tray, for the baby's sponge, which should be small and fine. A piece of good soap in a little dish, a powder box and puff, a bottle of vaseline, a small box of borax, a quarter of a pound roll of absorbent cotton, a roll of old linen, and a pair of small blunt-pointed scissors. These little things are constantly needed, and should always be on hand.—Harper's Bazar.

THREE POPULAR PERFUMES.

There was a time when the fashionable woman selected her perfume with a view to individuality of fragrance. Such is no longer the case. There are three perfumes which nine out of every ten fashionable women are using. The majority of them, selecting one of the three scents, uses it on both dressing table and in the numerous sachets of her wardrobe, while others select any or all three indiscriminately.

According to a well known New York dealer, the most popular of the favorite perfumes is an extract of violet, which can scarcely be distinguished from the fresh flower itself. The next in popularity is crushed rose, which does not smell the least bit like the ordinary extract of that flower, but like the old fashioned rose jar. A tiny drop of the double extract on a woman's handkerchief will give a room the subtle, spicy perfume for which the rose jar was so much desired, while the same perfume used as a sachet makes one's clothes smell as though fresh rose petals had been strewn among them. The third claimant for popularity is wild clover. This, it is said, is the most lasting of the three, and a few drops on one's handkerchief will last as long as the handkerchief itself.

The latest use of sachets is for scented clothes hooks. The ordinary wire extender for bodice or skirt is padded with cotton batting, thickly sprinkled with sachet powder. Over them is drawn a silk or muslin bag, shirred full around the shank of the extender, or tied with ribbons, so that they may be easily removed when there is a necessity for renewing the powder. Another method employed by dressmakers, in place of the dainty bags of sachet formerly stitched about in the bosom and sleeves of a bodice, is the new cotton or wool perfumed padding. It can be bought with any scent, and is much more enduring.

FASHION NOTES.

Piquets, marseilles, lawns and linens will all be much worn this summer for morning gowns, as well as at the watering places.

Aigrettes in the hair seem to be taking the place of aigrettes in the bonnet. Birds are also being worn as coiffure ornaments.

A novel design in wool gloves for street wear is a pin check of gray and white, over which runs a larger check of pink and turquoise.

A fashionable summer gown is of golden brown dimity, with insertion of brown and white runing up each seam and at the top of the lower flounce.

A hat that milliners say will be much worn is of green soft silk, a number of puff ruffles at the side with a spiral and a large white aigrette.

Yellow vies with blue for prominence in millinery. Yellow flowers, yellow tulle, chiffon, and yellow straw are brilliantly conspicuous, besides all the warm tints of burnt orange.

A new ornament for the hair is a large single artificial flower mounted on a wire with a tuft of colored tulle at the base. One damask rose has a rosette finish of red tulle.

Among the novelties in French shirt waists are those made of batiste with hand embroidery in white outlined with narrow beading and bordered with a tiny frill of real Valenciennes.

A pretty morning hat is a black sailor of rough straw with a band of burnt orange satin ribbon, which finishes in a spiral of the same. Three black spangled quills complete the trimming.

Braided black nets, with tiny frills or gauze ribbon between the bayadere patterns, are a very popular material for the transparent gown which is a fashionable necessity this season.

The most approved neckgear for golf, bicycling, yachting, and sports generally, is the white pique stock, with a Scotch zephyr tie, forming a band around the neck, and a coaching puff in front.

There is a great variety in hats, the new Alpine being among the ones that have been favorably received already. It is gray, with wide ribbon and band, finished in the left side with a bunch of long coque feathers.

DELIVERING LETTERS ON STILTS.

Postmen Who Are Compelled to Adopt This Method of Locomotion.

The modern postman has been mounted on a bicycle, has been given a horse to ride, sometimes a horse draws him about, but the queerest of all methods of locomotion of postmen is that which is utilized in France, where men of letters—and papers—move about on stilts.

It is not meant that all the French postmen make their rounds in this fashion. Only those who serve the country and the postoffice officials through the great stretch of land that lies between Bordeaux and Bayonne are so distinguished. All this land is covered by a growth of gorse and broom which makes walking a very difficult matter. The postmen, however, have found that there is a way to render it much easier for themselves and that is by taking stilts.

To walk about in this fashion is not as easy as walking on one's feet in the ordinary way. The stilts are fastened to the feet of the postmen, and are not unlike those with which the small boy makes annual detours. To stand still any length of time on them is of course impossible without support, and so a pole is carried, in much the same way that the yeoman once lugged about his quarter staff. On this pole the postman leans when he wishes to rest, and in this way manages to get along very comfortably.

There is another proposition to face when winter comes, as of necessity the stilts sink deeply into the snow, and this makes walking a very difficult matter. This the genius of the postman has proved sufficient to overcome. He accomplishes his undertaking with the aid of a thin wooden skate, with which he skims along the surface of the snow and ice without sinking at all. It is by no means an easy matter to balance one's self tied to the knees. What then must be the effort of skating on stilts?

This French postman makes remarkable speed as he shuffles and glides about from one place to another. Oftentimes the route which one man has to travel on foot in this fashion includes more territory than Greater New York possesses. The skates, therefore, instead of being a hindrance and a danger, really make this work easier, and the postman in the Landes, as this queer tract of country is called, rejoices at the coming of winter, for he realizes that his task will become a considerable percentage lighter.

Clad in his capote, or sheepskin cloak, he scurries about over the country until he has been everywhere that his duty calls him. Sometimes postmen of a neighboring territory meet him and challenge his fleetness, the result being a tourney.

Many of the postmen who follow this method of transportation are said to make as good time as most people would with a horse and buggy.

Five-Foot Soldiers.

The minimum height in the Mikado's army is a fraction of an inch over five feet, that in the Italian army five feet one inch. As the height of individuals in Japan does not often exceed five feet four inches for males, it follows that there is a wonderful uniformity observable in the physique of the troops, and this fact operates beneficially in long marches, very few falling out of the ranks. What one can do all can do. The Emperor is himself much above the average stature, and the Empress is just as tall as the Princess of Wales. Both are of spare build.

To Make Diamonds.

Moissan and others who have endeavored to produce diamonds artificially have discovered that it is necessary to employ very high pressures with the heated carbon in order to induce the latter to crystallize. An Italian, Quivine Majorana, announces to the Roman Academy of Sciences a new method of conducting this squeeze. The carbon, having been heated in an electric arc, is suddenly subjected to a compression from gases, generated by explosives, equivalent to 5000 atmospheres.

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Incorporate Montevallo.

Montevallo needs water works. Why not induce some one to build them, or incorporate and issue bonds to build them?

We would advise some of our citizens who are anxious to see Montevallo grow to offer their property at a little lower figure.

NON-PAYMENT OF VOLUNTEERS.

Mobile Register.

There is one piece of mismanagement that cannot be shouldered off upon the regimental and company commanders of the volunteer troops, nor yet can it be explained by saying that the war has made such an enormous demand for material that delay in furnishing the same could not be avoided. We mean the non-payment of the volunteer troops. Here nearly two months have gone by and not a cent have these poor fellows received.

The boys have volunteered to bear the flag of their country and are as ready as any others to sustain the hardships of war, but this means, of course, the necessary hardships. When it comes to waiting for pay that could and should be forthcoming, there is naturally a great deal of impatience felt and exhibited.

Consider the terms of the contract entered into with the government. The call was made for volunteers, and the usual pay of soldiers was offered. The government let it be known that the pay for privates and non-commissioned officers would begin from the time of their enlistment.

The volunteers left their homes, many of them having no means of support but their daily earnings in factories, in stores and in the field. They were told not to bring much clothing with them, as the government would shortly uniform them. Few were able to bring any money. They arrived here and have spent nearly two months in waiting for mustering into service. Meantime their clothes, already well worn on the day of their arrival, have turned into rags, and their little pocket money has gone to purchase food found necessary at the time when defective commissary arrangements or ignorance of their commanders left them without food they could eat.

Added to this, the government has failed to pay off the men, leaving many absolutely penniless. Is it astonishing to learn that under this circumstance volunteers have been known to stop citizens on the street and beg for money, saying they are poverty-stricken and hungry?

Of course all volunteers are not so, yet a large number of them are, and it is a shame that even one of these brave boys should be placed in this predicament when the United States treasury is loaded down with money.

We have read somewhere that the fault is with the paymasters; that the government appointed a score or so of sons of somebodies to perform paymaster duty, but some of these young gentlemen had not reported, and therefore no payment could take place. This, if true, is another shame. The idea of the great United States being unable to pay its volunteer soldiery because some popinjay has failed to report for duty! It is ridiculous. How would a man of business get such a payment effected? He would order money sent to some local bank and request the bank to pay off. The thing could be done by telegraph and finished inside of half a day's time.

And why isn't it done? The saying goes that there is no head to the war department, that everything there is at sixes and sevens, and that no one, unless it is a chief clerk, knows what is to be done or who is to do it. Meantime the president is calling for more volunteers. He had best at the same time jump Secretary Alger out of the war department and give notice that the things now complained of will be suffered no longer. We venture to say by this process the recruiting would not take two days' time. As things now go, it may take two months.

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The wedding bells will ring again in Montevallo before many moons.

Dr. Hargrove, of Maylene, and Judge Campbell, of Calera, were in town today.

Mrs. S. O. Pitts, of Vicksburg, Miss., is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. L. Wilkinson.

Miss Lucy Meredith, of Birmingham is visiting the family of Rev. M. P. Reynolds.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Mrs. F. W. Rogan will leave Friday for Livingston, where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. W. B. Reynolds is visiting her parents, Hon. Mims Walker and wife, at Faunsdale.

Capt. R. H. Pratt, superintendent of education of Bibb county, was in town Tuesday

A beautiful awning of red, white and blue has been put up in front of the new drug store of W. B. McCluney & Co.

Mr. Henry Lyman, of Birmingham, is in the city on a visit to his brother, Hon. E. S. Lyman.

Mr. R. E. Dill returned home last Friday after an absence of several weeks at Brighton, Ala.

Mr. Sam Morgan, of Blocton, spent Sunday last in our town, visiting his brother, Geo. W. Morgan.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. S. J. Acker, who has been on the sick list for several days, is improving.

Rev. M. P. Reynolds returned from Birmingham Tuesday where he had been visiting for several days.

Mrs. Sydney J. McMath and children, of Troy, Ala., are visiting the family of Mrs. M. A. McMath this week.

The heaviest rain of the season fell here last Sunday afternoon, and the farmers are now assured of a good harvest.

Protracted meetings will begin at the Baptist church next Sunday and at the Methodist church the first Sunday in July.

Mrs. Abernethy returned Monday from Bessemer, where she went to attend the marriage of her niece, Miss Nannie Howell.

Presiding Elder Simpson was the guest of Rev. P. L. Abernethy Tuesday. Bro. Simpson's family will spend the summer here.

We call the attention of our readers to the new double-column advertisement of Mrs. A. B. Payne, to be found on our editorial page.

We regret to learn that Kathleen, the eight-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Shivers, is quite sick with fever. We hope she will soon be well.

Married, on the evening of the 16th inst., at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. T. A. Best, Rev. P. L. Abernethy officiating, Mr. J. H. Draper and Miss Sue P. Shuford. The bride and groom have many friends in our town, who wish for them a long and happy life.

'Squire James Ozley sent to our office a few days ago the first cotton bloom of the season. We will soon print a picture of the 'Squire rebuilding his fence that was washed away by that little cloudburst we had last Sunday afternoon, provided he does not break the camera.

CONCERT AT ALDRICH.

The concert last Friday night at Aidrich was a grand success. Prof. Carpenter and his students are to be complimented. The programme was very good, although it was rather long. The building was so badly crowded and the weather was so warm that it was very unpleasant in the house. The audience was not as quiet as it could have been, and it was difficult for those in the rear of the hall to hear. Although we enjoyed ourself very much, we were unable to hear much of what was said. The broom drill was especially good. Mr Hoskins' negro song, "Can't Shake Your Hannah," was very much enjoyed by the audience. Little Miss Grace Hutchings recited well, especially for a child.

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whole anatomy liberally spread about with poultices, in case the carbuncle should conclude to move and might feel the need of a lunch as soon as it located.

And still that carbuncle waxed fiercer. Still it would stand up on its hind legs and paw the air. Still it would bore into my back with a red-hot two-inch auger and then attempt to jerk it out by main force, and only succeeded in jerking me all over the bed.

The doctor said I must come to the infirmary. I came. The doctors here said it must be scraped out, so after giving me morphine in the arm, cocaine in the back and chloroform in the nose, they said of something less than an acre, backed up a steam shovel and began to dig. After they dug down to hard pus, where the shovel wouldn't work, they used picks to loosen it up, and then scraped it out to the depth of about four feet.

If anybody is disposed to question the truth of this narrative, the hole is still there to show for itself. It is used at present as a cellar to store chemicals. I do not know how long it will be so used, nor when the present lease expires; but if anybody wants to rent it, or do anything about it, now's their time.

This story may seem unfinished, but so is the carbuncle.

P. S.—I have used the personal pronoun "I," rather than the editorial "we," because the thing was so intensely personal that I could not generalize even so far as to embrace the editorial "we."

REFLECTIONS ON CARBUNCLES.

This carbuncle experience has thrown some light at least negatively on the history of Job. Whatever it was that he had, it was evidently not carbuncles.

Overwhelming evidence of this is found in the fact that Job took a piece of broken pottery to scrape himself. No man ever yet intentionally scraped a carbuncle. Besides no human organism could stand a plaster of carbuncles from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet and live. Then, too, as sublime a character as Job was, if it had been carbuncles, could not have borne the words of his comforters. There would certainly have been some comforters lying around.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

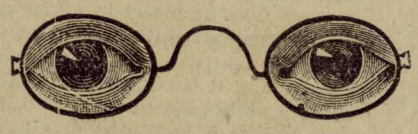
HOW TO ENLIST.

Cut out the ballot printed on first page, write on it the name of your candidate and send it in. This will count one vote. Subscribe for the News, or renew your subscription for one year, and name the young person you desire to have credited. This will entitle him or her to 100 votes. On the 1st of September the scholarships will be awarded to the four boys or girls who receive she highest number of votes. This is simple and easy—all you have to do is to send in your votes in order to put your favorite to the front. We hope you will help us to place the News in many more households during the next few months.

Those who are contemplating entering the race should do it at once in order that their friends may know of their purpose to compete.

The contest is open to any lady or gentleman in Shelby county. Information concerning the contest can be had on application at this office.

Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver troubles. F F Crowe & Co.



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Sailors and their Grievances.

The grievances of sailors examined by the authorities in ports of entry, where the seamen belong, often turn out to be imaginary or greatly exaggerated. But there are plenty of cruel and conscienceless skippers who abuse their crews. Violence is always objectionable, and pointedly so when it is exerted upon an unfortunate liver, stomach or bowels by dosing with drastic purgatives which weaken the intestines. Use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

Dublin amateur doctors are in distress, as the proprietors of the three city theaters threaten to enforce the monopoly of all theatrical performances granted to them by an act of King George III, passed in 1780.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

Bicycles are in general use in Canada. In 1897 the sales were very large.

S. K. Coburn, Mgr. Clarie Scott, writes: "I find Hall's Catarrh Cure a valuable remedy." Druggists sell it, 75c.

Hip Disease

Had Five Running Sores—Could Not Walk Without Crutches.

"I suffered from hip disease and had five running sores on one of my hips. I could not walk without crutches. I was confined to my bed for weeks at a time. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and it has accomplished a perfect cure. I am now well and have no trouble from impure blood." Annie Robert, 49 Fourth Street, Fall River, Mass. Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5

Hood's Pills cure biliousness, indigestion.

Way to Kill Mosquitoes.

Two and one-half hours are required for a mosquito to develop from its first stage, a speck resembling cholera bacteria, to its active and venomous maturity. The insect in all its phases may be instantly killed by contact with minute quantities of permanganate of pottassium. It is claimed that one part of this substance in 1500 of solution distributed in mosquito marshes will render the development of larvae impossible; that a handful of permanganate will oxidize a ten-acre swamp, kill its embryo insects, and keep it free from organic matter for thirty days at a cost of twenty-five cents; that with care a whole State may be kept free of insect pests at a small cost. An efficacious method is to scatter a few crystals widely apart. A single pinch of permanganate has killed all the germs in a thousand-gallon tank.—The Public Health Journal.

THE DUTY OF MOTHERS.

Daughters Should be Carefully Guided in Early Womanhood.

What suffering frequently results from a mother's ignorance; or more frequently from a mother's neglect to properly instruct her daughter!

Tradition says "woman must suffer," and young women are so taught. There is a little truth and a great deal of exaggeration in this. If a young woman suffers severely she needs treatment and her mother should see that she gets it.

Many mothers hesitate to take their daughters to a physician for examination; but no mother need hesitate to write freely about her daughter or herself to Mrs. Pinkham and secure the most efficient advice without charge. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.

The following letter from Miss MARIE F. JOHNSON, Centralia, Pa., shows what neglect will do, and tells how Mrs. Pinkham helped her:

"My health became so poor that I had to leave school. I was tired all the time, and had dreadful pains in my side and back. I was also troubled with irregularity of menses. I was very weak, and lost so much flesh that my friends became alarmed. My mother, who is a firm believer in your remedies from experience, thought perhaps they might benefit me, and wrote you for advice. I followed the advice you gave, and used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills as you directed, and am now as well as I ever was. I have gained flesh and have a good color. I am completely cured of irregularity."

If afflicted with sore eyes, use **Thompson's Eye Water**

CARE OF SOLDIERS' FEET.

These Hints Are Intended for Women Who Wish to Help Men Friends.

A good many soldier boys who are fitting themselves for experience in Cuba have been induced by their well-meaning but ignorant friends to purchase a lot of refined sulphur to wear in their boots by way of a preventive against yellow fever.

Good, clean wheat flour would be quite as effective as far as warding off the yellow jack goes, and would do very much less harm in the boots of an infantryman. Any woman knows, or ought to know, that the best part of a warrior's strength lies in his feet. Long, rapid marches have won almost as many battles as steady courage and good markmanship. Therefore, it behooves sweethearts and wives to frown on the sulphur superstition, and before sending their country's defenders to the front take some of the following precautions: Just suggest to your brave, good man to buy his boots close in the heel and broad in the toe. If his feet are in a state of tender irritation, as the feet of city dwellers are apt to become just at the advent of spring, persuade him to let you poultice the particular sensitive spots for a couple of nights in succession.

A little flaxseed meal into which boiling water and a bit of sweet cream is stirred makes the proper poultice. It must be tied on the foot while quite warm and kept there all night. The way it draws inflammation out of tender, reddened joints is a wonder. This is the proper treatment for soft corns and bunions, but not for hard corns, until after they have been skillfully cut. Then if any soreness is left a poultice will quiet the pain in short order.

To harden and purify the skin of a pair of feet that are not accustomed to much walking, institute night and morning foot baths of cold water well impregnated with listerine. If there is any ignorance on this point, show the prospective soldier how to cut the nails always straight across, never down in the corners. The nail should be cut to a level with the top of the toe, and if the corners are left untouched they will not grow in, unless the shoe is worn entirely too short.

At the druggist's order a little box of salve, put up in a tiny porcelain jar with a screw top. Cold cream, worked up with witch hazel, are the proper ingredients, and drop this into the soldier boy's baggage, with instructions for its use on feet that are sore and strained from unusual walking. Show the recipient of this gift how, when he strips off his socks, to rub the unguent quickly into the skin, and solemnly warn him never to march in ragged hosiery.

Do not send a defender of his country off to the wars in colored socks—unbleached balbriggan is the proper clothing, and looking over his socks see to it that every pair is whole and good. That one that shows the tiniest darn must be cast out, for on a march it can easily rub a sore, and a raw heel will as effectually dampen a man's fighting ardor as a raging toothache under the hot summer sun of the Southern States and of Cuba. Shoes that are greased, enameled or treated with any but the thinnest dressing are intolerably warm and tend to make the feet swell. The Indians knew what they were about when they invented the moccasin, and if a pair of slippers is packed in a soldier's kit, he will get more comfort out of these pliable, cool foot bags of soft leather than any gear of civilized make.

A Bicycle Shower Bath.

A decided novelty has recently been brought out by a French bicycle manufacturer, and has been exhibited by him at a cycle show in Paris. It is termed a velo douche, and is an eminently practical device for combining exercise with the morning ablutions.

It consists of a shallow tub, to which is secured a framework carrying a bicycle saddle, a handle bar, pedals, sprocket wheels and chain. The resemblance to a bicycle goes no farther. The small sprocket wheel, which is driven from the large sprocket on the main shaft by the medium of a chain, is secured to a small rotary pump, which is fastened to the rear of the frame. The suction part of the pump ends near the bottom of the tub, and the discharge pipe is curved and ends in the sprinkler arrangement common to all shower baths. A cock half-way up the discharge pipe permits of the water being turned on to the sprinkler or through the hose and nozzle, depending on whether a bath is desired or not.

It is, of course, perfectly possible to obtain the exercise without getting wet, pump furnishing the resistance necessary for the exercise, and the water which is pumped being discharged by means of a rubber tube and nozzle. When the rider has exercised sufficiently he can reach backward and turn the cock so as to let the water pass upwards and out of the sprinkler. The harder he pedals the larger the stream. It is, it is said, possible to direct a stream of water on any part of the body by means of the nozzle connected with the rubber tube. The tub can be divided into two compartments, one containing hot water, and the other cold water, and the cold and hot douche may then be used at will.—Invention.

Some Odd Signs of Respect.

The people of different races have ways of their own of greeting one another. Some of these ways are queer—to us. For instance: When an Esquimau wishes to show admiration and devotion to another man he pulls the man's nose. That being the case, it would seem that a man who placed much value on his proboscis would not strive to become popular. Some tribes of Hindoostan show respect by stretching out the arm and placing the tip of the thumb on the other's nose. In South Africa a man turns his back to his superiors. As a general thing South Sea Islanders sit down when speaking to a person of higher rank than their own—which is just the opposite of our rules of etiquette. A Chinaman's idea of showing respect is to put on his hat where we would take it off. Another thing worth noting is this: That most common method by which our relatives express their affection when meeting—namely, kissing—is looked upon as sure evidence of heathenism by many people—as native Australians, New Zealanders, Papuans and Esquimaux, for instance. They never think of such a thing. Their laws of propriety don't allow it. If a mother over there should kiss her little boy or girl she would be regarded as a "crank" and excluded from good society.—Chicago Record.

A Big Boiled Dinner.

Cooks in large hotels and boarding houses may think they get up meals on a large scale, but when it comes to wholesale cookery the little village of Liss, on the London and Southwestern Railway, discounts them all. At a barbecue held there not long since, an ox was boiled (not roasted, which at one time was quite common) whole, more as an experiment than anything else. This is how they did it: A large hole was dug in the ground and lined with brick. Inside this a tank large enough to hold the ox was built. The carcass was then lowered into this tank, having been first placed in a case formed by heavy cross bars to which chains were attached. Pulleys from a scaffolding above were used to raise and lower the ox. Many vegetables, such as carrots, onions, cabbage and potatoes, were boiled with the meat, thus making many gallons of rich, delicious soup. The boiling required seven hours.—Chicago Record.

The number of soldiers on duty in the Federal army during the Civil War is given as follows: July 1, 1861, 183,588; January 1, 1862, 527,204; January 1, 1863, 698,802; January 1, 1864, 611,250; January 1, 1865, 620,924; May 1, 1865, 797,807.

To control chrysanthemum insects spray with bordeaux mixture, beginning early in the summer before the pest appears.

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Life Without a Stomach.

The stomach has always been supposed to be absolutely essential to the proper performance of the digestive functions. The fact that two people have had their stomachs removed, and that one of them is alive and apparently in the enjoyment of excellent health, upsets all preconceived theories as to the absolute necessity of this portion of the human anatomy. A woman has had her stomach removed completely, that organ being hopelessly affected. The œsophagus was united with the canal leading from the stomach, and there seems to be nothing wrong in the internal economy of the owner of this curious digestive apparatus. To be sure, instead of full meals she takes an occasional bite, and is compelled to be very careful that she does not overload or overtax this substitute. The operation was almost in the nature of a caprice. It was evident that something was wrong with the patient's stomach, and, after careful preparation, the operation was begun. Almost immediately it developed that the entire stomach was involved, and that it would be impossible to save any portion of it. It was a foregone conclusion that death was only a matter of a few days. The operating physician conceived the rather original idea of uniting the œsophagus with the canal leading from the stomach. It is a matter for congratulation that thus far there have been no grave symptoms and that the patient takes food with relish, and apparently without discomfort. One is led to wonder to what lengths surgery may go, and how many of our notions and theories about the possibilities and limitations of the physical will hold in the face of these great advances in modern surgery.—Ledger.

Professor Cameron's Hat.

Henry Clay Cameron has been professor of the Greek language and literature at Princeton University for a great many years, and, like many of his vocation, is a man of marked peculiarities. One of his eccentricities is to wear an old plaid shawl over his shoulders, summer and winter, and a hat of unique pattern. It has always been a mystery where Professor Cameron gets his hats. No dealer in the latitude and longitude of Princeton keeps them in stock, and there is a tradition among the students that the professor purchased a quantity many years ago and always has a supply to draw from when he needs one.

As long as any one can remember it has been the practice of each class during the second term of the sophomore year to steal Professor Cameron's hat and cut it up into little square pieces, which are distributed among the students and worn by them in the buttonholes of the lapels of their coats, like badges or bouquets. The professor expects it, and takes it good-naturedly. He makes no particular effort to protect his property, but one day in each year—and it is often the coldest of the winter—he is compelled to go home from recitation bare-headed or wrap his old gray shawl around his old gray head. The next morning, if the professor takes the trouble to glance around the class room, he can identify the fragments of his hat pinned to the coats of his pupils, but the trick is so old and the professor is so accustomed to it that he treats it with indifference. —Chicago Record.

The Timidity of an Elephant.

Riding along a road in India I saw the following instance of a big elephant's timidity, which I venture to send you. The elephant, ridden by a mahout, was followed by a small Maltese terrier, which, intent on its own affairs, trotted before its master, making occasional instinctive investigations by the roadside after the manner of dogs, without particularly noticing other travelers. From the first moment the elephant set eyes on the dog he never lost sight of him, turning from side to side always with an eye on the small animal, and hurrying out of his way whenever he approached. The timidity of the one and the confidence of the other were irresistibly amusing.—The Spectator.

A Fatality Avoided.

From the Democrat, Goshen, Ind.

When neuralgia is accompanied by a dull, heavy pain near the heart, frequently becoming intense, it generally terminates fatally. Mrs. Nancy Flynn, who lives near Goshen, Indiana, survived such an attack and her advice is worth heeding.

"In the fall of '92," she said, "I began to have trouble with my heart. There was a sharp pain in my breast which became rapidly worse. The doctor was puzzled and put me under the influence of opiates. These sharp attacks followed one another at intervals and I became weak and had a haggard look. I was constantly in pain, seldom slept and had no appetite.

"At the end of two years I was confined to my couch most of the time and the doctors agreed that my death was only a matter of a short time.

A Serious Time.

"One day I noticed in a newspaper an item about a woman having been cured of neuralgia of the heart by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and I concluded to try them.

"When I had finished one box I noticed an improvement in my condition, and when I had taken twelve boxes I was completely cured. 'Those pills have done for you what we could not do,' said one of my physicians, 'they have saved your life.'

"That was two years ago and my heart has not troubled me since. I believe I owe my life to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and I take pleasure in telling others about them."

Among the many forms of neuralgia are headache, nervousness, paralysis, apoplexy and locomotor ataxia. Some of these were considered incurable until Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People were formulated. To-day thousands testify to having been cured of such diseases by these pills.

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He—"Bella, will you marry me?"

She—"Why, Alfred, you asked me that question last Sunday, and I said yes!"—Chicago Tribune.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Bruksch Bey has discovered the earliest records of illustrated comic literature in a papyrus of the twenty-second dynasty recently found at Tonnah.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

In Brazil a single pineapple has never attained a greater growth than seven pounds.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco is the "best of the best." 2 ounces and cigarette book for 10 cents. Try it.

B. B. B. Cures Mercurial Rheumatism, Scrofula, Syphilitic Rheumatism in its worst form. Try it. $1.00 per large bottle, 3 for $2.50, at druggists, or sent on receipt of price, express paid, by Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. ☞Books of wonderful cures sent free.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Over 130,000 pounds of ivory were disposed of at auction sale in Antwerp recently.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

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Try Allen's Foot-Ease,

A powder to shake in the shoes. If you have smarting feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It cools the feet and makes walking easy. Cures swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of pain and gives rest and comfort. Try it *to-day*. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The Southern Saw Works are the leaders in the South. See their advertisement in this issue. Their saws will suit you.

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"You may betrue blue," said Rivers, "but you are too green for a soldier. Besides, it would be just your luck to catch the yellow fever."

"Well," hotly retorted Brooks, "is that any reason why I should show the white feather?"

And he turned red with indignation. —Chicago Tribune.

Old Mr. Surplice—"I hope you object to dancing on religious grounds?"

Young Miss Featherstitching—"Oh, no; only on unwaxed floors."—Roxbury Gazette.

That Everlasting Irritating Itch.

That describes Tetter, Eczema and other skin diseases. 50 cents will cure them—stop the itch at once. 50 cents pays for a box of Tetterine at drug stores or postpaid for 50 cents in stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

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The exports of glass from Furth, Bavaria, to the United States are growing largely.

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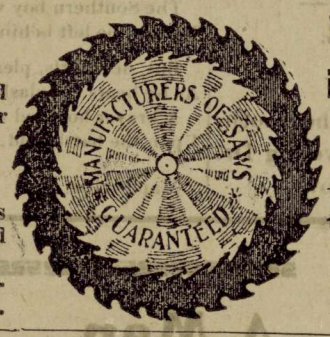

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DOGWOOD ITEMS.

S. P. Davidson visited Maylene Sunday.

Pat Harrison, of Maylene, attended the concert at Aldrich on the 17th inst.

Mr. T. A. Best, of Montevallo, passed through town Sunday en route to Maylene.

Much to the regret of all, Misses Mamie and Tiny Woods have returned to their home at Blocton.

Mr. William Walker and family, of Belle Ellen, visited friends and relatives near this place last week.

Our town and community was visited by a good rain last Sunday afternoon, which was badly needed.

Quite a crowd from this place attended the closing exercises of the Aldrich High School on the 17th inst.

Miss Katie Allen, who is one of Highland's fairest young damsels, is visiting relatives and friends near this place.

Misses Leila and Nannie Fulton, two of Maylene's sweetest girls, passed through town last Friday en route to Aldrich.

Everybody has a special invitation to come and bring their baskets full of something to eat to the picnic at this place on the 4th day of July, 1898.

The Montevallo Lump Coal Mining Company at this place is progressing nicely now with their work. The quality and size of their coal are also good.

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The Chief Burgess of Milesburg, Pa., says DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills he ever used in his family during forty years of housekeeping. They cure constipation, sick headache and stomach and liver troubles. Small in size but great in results. F. F. Crowe & Co.

MAPLESVILLE.

The girls have had the toothache quite often since young Dr. Kelley has been in our town.

Mr. D. C. Savage delivered quite an eloquent and interesting address Sunday night in the interest of the Sunday school and prayer-meeting.

Mr. R. S. Cooper, of Coosa, is visiting his parents at this place.

Mr. E. E. Martin left last Thursday for Texas. His friends wish him a pleasant trip.

The "rough riders" of the West passed over the M. & O. railroad Friday evening at 8 o'clock en route for Jacksonville, Fla.

The Columbus immunes passed through Maplesville Sunday morning en route to Tampa, Fla.

Ensley Cooper will leave on the 25th inst. for Montgomery with the fifth regiment U. S. V.

Mr. D. C. Savage and family have moved back to Maplesville, and are welcomed by all.

Mr. O. E. Latham and family, of Selma, are spending the summer in our city.

A wreck occurred on the M. & O. railroad last Thursday at Sandmountain, six miles above Maplesville. Three cars were thrown from the track, tearing one rail up. No one was hurt.

Mr. Lawrence has been very sick for the past week. His friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

It is reported that Graham got a full dose in the neck last Sunday night trying to go home with some of our pretty girls. Graham is very obstinate any way.

Miss Lillie Bowlin reports having a nice time at a fiehing party last Saturday evening; also a very pleasant buggy ride Sunday afternoon.

Success to the News.

UNCLE TIGE.

They have taken your sweethearts to the war,
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But, dear girls, please remember,
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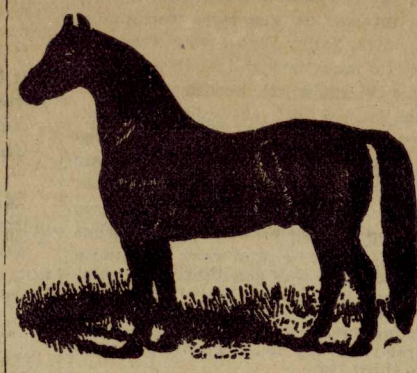

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THE FLAG.

Lo! in a night dry rods have bloomed
In flowers of red and white and blue:
On ev'ry staff the dawn's illumed
The new glorious banner waves anew!

No blossom this, to droop and fade
In sulph'rous smoke of belching guns;
Its roots were set, its tints were laid
In the best blood of Freedom's sons.

Across its hues the eyes of men
Flash each to each with patriot fire,
And heroes press its sacred stem
To lips that smile as they expire.

The sluggish blood, by commerce chilled,
Leaps to its front with sudden pride:
And children gaze, with bosoms thrilled,
At this their heritage and guide!

—Grace Duffie Boylan.

A JAUNT THROUGH THE COUNTRY.

On Saturday last, in company with our good friend, Bro. Thornton, we started on a trip that proved both pleasant and profitable. We left our office at that cool (?) part of the day—fifteen minutes before dinner time. We had dinner at Bro. Thornton's, which consisted of cabbage, ripe chicken fried and peach pie.

About 2 p. m. we started for Cedar Grove, where Bro. Thornton had an appointment to preach. We were entertained by Mr. Wyatt, and it is needless to say that we had a ploasant time. He has a full of hams and chickens, and the way he drew on his stock was very agreeable to us.

We can honestly say that we never saw a finer set of young folk, especially the girls. They were what we call "purty."

Sunday morning we called at Mr. Walker's for a short time. While there, Mr. Walker brought out some fine ripe peaches, and we honestly believe we ate enough for ourself and Bro. Thornton too. Mr. Walker accompanied us to Helena. where Bro. Thornton preached a very interesting and instructive sermon. After preaching we were invited to dine with Bro. Bowers. We did justice to the meal, and were afraid they would think we had been trying to fast through June. We paid especial attention to the honey. Bro. Bowers showed us one of the finest Masonic pins we ever saw.

At 4 p. m. we started home, feeling better than we have in a long time. We found a noble, generous-hearted people where we went, all seem to be making a good living, having lots of fat hogs, and plenty of wheat to make their hominy. We shall always remember these good people and the pleasant time we had, and whenever we have the blues again we will be sure to give our friends in the country a call.

WHY NOT?

Why not the citizens of Montevallo organize a land and improvement company, to build ten or twenty nice six room cottages to rent? We have every reason to believe they would be taken as fast as finished, and would be a paying investment to the stockholders, and add greatly to the growth of our business and school interests. The State of Alabama has placed a trust in our hands that we should appreciate by giving our united efforts to its growth and prosperity. And how could we better prove our worthiness than along this line? There are numbers of families all over the State that would move in our midst to educate their children—their business interests being such that they could not make a permanent home here. Why not arrange to accommodate them by offering a neat cottage at reasonable annual rent? Now, as to the advantage of building two or more houses of the same design is apparent to all business men, and needs no comment. There never was in our history a time when building could be done as cheap, and our citizens more willing to respond to any move for the best interest of our future. Let the music of the hammer and trowel awake us to new life and energy these long, dull summer months.

CITIZEN.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Most all of the old pupils will return next session.

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Mrs. Nelson has gone to New York to study the latest improvements in dressmaking.

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President Reynolds has already received a large number of applicants for next session.

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The five music teachers will study music at the Boston Conservatory of Music and other places.

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Mrs. Florence Hudson, the teacher of telegraphy, will attend the educational association at Washington.

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Mrs. Babb and the other literary teachers will attend the Chautauqua either at New York or Mont Eagle, Tenn.

Miss Ella McComos has gone to New York to purchase a china kiln for the art class. She will also study the newest methods in art.

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President Reynolds says there will be an effort made to erect a larger building for class purposes. This is a necessity, and it is hoped that President Reynolds will be successful in his efforts.

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As the Dormitory is not large enough to accommodate the large number of girls who come here to school, quite a number have to board in private families. More houses are needed for the accommodation of the girls.

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DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Pat Harrison, of Maylene, was in town Sunday.

Messrs. Lafayette Lucas and W. D. Lacey, of Maylene, visited this place Sunday.

W. E. Harrison went up to Pelham Sunday, but on what business we are unable to state.

Rev. W. H. Sturdivant delivered quite an able and influential sermon at the M. E. Church last Sunday.

Miss Nona Wells, one of Montevallo's most charming young ladies, is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Miss Katie Allen, who has been visiting friends and relatives at this place, has returned to her home at Highlands.

The citizens of Dogwood and vicinity regret to state that on account of sickness in quite a number of families, it will be impossible to have the political picnic on next Monday, July 4th. There will be speaking, however, and those who come will be taken to some home and cared for.

Died, in this place, on Sunday, June 26, 1898, at 6 o'clock p. m., after an illness of two weeks, Prof. J. H. Harmon. He was a high-toned, Christian gentleman, and had charge of the school at this place for two years. He leaves many friends who extend to the loving, heartbroken wife their sympathy in her sad hour of bereavement.

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A Jaunty Costume.

Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Tennessee troops in Washington have been served around with a uniform, consisting of three pairs of socks and one hat. This is the wildest sort of extravagance. Why not paint them with pokeberry juice and let them go at that? Any sort of clothing in the Philippines is an insufferable superfluity.

The editor of the Evans City, Pa., Globe writes: "One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It cured my children after all other remedies failed." It cures coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

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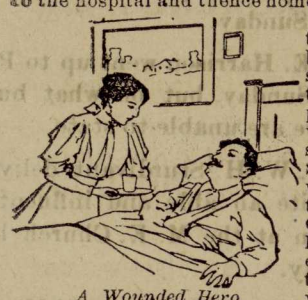
A Naval Hero's Story.

From the Times-Herald, Chicago, Ill.

Late in 1861, when President Lincoln issued a call for volunteers, L. J. Clark, of Warren, Trumbull Co., Ohio, was among the first to respond. He joined the mortar fleet of Admiral Porter just before the memorable operations on the Mississippi River began. It was at the terrific bombardment of the Vicksburg forts, that the hero of this story fell with a shattered arm from a charge of schrapnel.

After painful months in the hospital, he recovered sufficiently to be sent to his home at Warren, Ohio. Another call for troops fired his patriotic zeal and Clark soon enlisted in Company H, of the 7th Ohio Volunteers. In the army of the Potomac, he was in many engagements. Being wounded in a skirmish near Richmond, he was sent to the hospital and thence home.



A Wounded Hero.

Soon afterward he began the study and then the practice of veterinary surgery. Seeking a wider field than the Ohio village afforded, he went to Chicago where he now has a wide practice, is a member of Hatch Post, G. A. R., and lives at 4935 Ashland Ave.

Several years ago Dr. Clark's old wounds began to trouble him. He grew weak and emaciated, and his friends despaired of his life. He finally recovered sufficiently to be out but was a mere shadow, weighing only 90 pounds. The best medical attendance failed to restore his lost strength and vigor.

"A friend gave me a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," said Dr. Clark, "and they helped me so much that I bought a half dozen boxes and took them. I soon regained my strength, now weigh 190 pounds and, except for injuries that can never be remedied, am as well as ever.

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CUBA'S WILD ANIMALS.

A STRANGE LOT OF LIVING THINGS PECULIAR TO THE ISLAND.

There Are Spiders, Snakes, Birds of Various Kinds, a Ratlike Animal, the Peculiar Fireflies, the Land Crabs, Alligators and Other Curious Denizens.

The Spaniard is not the only foe the soldier encounters on his Cuban marches. Cuban sandflies and mosquitoes are much like our own, but we have nothing to match the huge spider, whose bite causes fever, nor the belligerent ant known as vivajagua. A scorpion, though not so dangerous as the European variety, proves itself unpleasant to the careless traveller, and the chigoe, or "jigger," deals swift retribution to an offender. Its method of attack is inconvenient, for it burrows under the toe nail, and unless removed at once builds its nest there. In that case inflamation occurs and the only relief is the painful operation of having the little animal cut out.

Snakes are not numerous, but they include some of the freaks of the animal kingdom. The huge maja, longer than two six feet men set end to end, with a body twenty inches in circumference, looks fierce enough and formidable enough to put a whole regiment to flight. It is all a bluff, for the big reptile is harmless.

Among the birds, the soldier may exercise his taste for pets. Those peculiar to the island have beautiful plumage, rich in coloring. There are nearly 200 kinds to be found there, and among them all the vulture and the turkey buzzard are almost the only birds of prey. They are so useful as scavengers to carry away waste material that they are protected from death by law. Geese, turkeys, peacocks and pigeons are the most familiar domestic fowls, and pigs, sheep, goats, mules and horses, the animals used.

The Cuban horses are almost a race by themselves. They are very gentle, they never kick nor bite nor play any unseemly trick on their riders. In some parts of the island horses receive as much consideration as a member of the family. They are not tied or confined, but they wander about the door yard, put their heads into the kitchen windows to exchange the time of day, and even on occasion have the privilege of entering the house. The sight of humans and equines on terms of such easy familiarity makes one wonder if the days of Gulliver and his horse country have come again.

Sometimes the roads are very bad and the mud so sticky that it holds any foreign substance like glue. For this reason farmers braid their horses' tails, turn them up over their backs and tie them to the saddle. No Northern pony would stand this indignity, but the Cuban pack animals seem quite willing to endure it. In mountainous regions mules are used to carry coffee and sugar down the mountain paths, and to save drivers mules in long procession are tied together, one's head to another's tail, and, with only one man at the head of the column to guide the leader, they carry down their burdens safely. The hind legs of Cuban mules must be worked on a different principle from that in vogue among United States mules. Here no insurance agency would insure a man whose business was tying mules to one another's tails.

The only wild animal peculiar to Cuba is the jutia, or hutia. It is rat-shaped, black, and small. It lives in the hollows of trees, like our squirrels, and eats leaves and fruits. Its flesh is insipid, but it is often eaten. Curious modifications of felines and canines inhabit the woods. The animals have sprung from dogs and cats in the domestic state and differ from them only in their size and habits. Some of the intelligence of civilization seems to remain with them, and they cause the farmer much anxiety by their artfully planned attacks upon his poultry and cattle.

The matter of lights is a small item of expense to the poor man in Cuba, for in the phosphorescent fly nature provides him a lamp free. This fly, the cucullo, about the size of our roach, is perfectly black, with a transparent breast. Two eyes in front, and one in the point of its breast give out so much light when its wings are spread that one can see by it to read a letter. Children make pets of cucullos and shut them up in reed cages. If they feed them on sugar the sticky particles adhering to their legs exasperate them so much that they fall upon each other like prize fighters. The children avoid this by giving the flies sugar cane. They wash them carefully morning and night, and in this way keep their pets alive and shining for many days.

Fashionable ladies wear the brilliant flies in their hair, and sometimes the belles use them covered with a gauzy material for living belts. One little girl remarked with much solemnity after examining a cucullo's legs that God made it with hooks to fasten on little girls' dresses. Left to themselves the cucullos fly in regular lines, giving the effect of the long procession of the watch at Havana. For this reason the Cubans call them 'serenos de los bichos"—watchmen of the insects. Fifteen or twenty of them in a calabash pierced with holes make a kind of lantern often used during the night. A few years ago an adventurous traveller brought a number of cucullos to New York and set them free in Broadway, to the lasting astonishment of an Irishman, to whom the dancing lamps were such a mystery that he wavered between the pledge and the oculist.

Another curious phnomenon of Cuban animal life is the procession of land crabs across the island. They travel from north to south every spring when the rains commence, and are as regular an institution as the wet weather in itself. Shell fish are abundant, but they are of inferior quality. The climate is too warm for them, and oysters there at all times are as unsatisfactory as ours in the months when no magic R appears. The rivers and bays and inlets, however, are well stocked with palatable fish. The iguana, cayman, and crocodile are common. A huge variety of crocodile called cayman has a colony of its own on the Isle of Pines. Turtles are found in large numbers in shallows and reefs and on sandy beaches, and they are put to all sorts of uses, from soup to walking sticks. For canes, the shell of the carey variety of turtle is used. First a strong stick is cut of the length desired. Then the turtle shell is boiled until it becomes a thin liquid, and into this the stick is dipped and allowed to cool. The process is repeated several times till the beautifull tortoise shell covering is of proper thickness. Afterward the cane is polished, headed, fitted with a ferrule, and sold for four or five dollars.

Another curiosity is a cane made from the dried skin of the manatee or sea cow. The skin is perfectly transparent, and when rightly prepared is flexible, but strong enough to be used as a rapier for defence. Mounted in gold and silver, these canes are very expensive. They are rarely seen in Havana, and one tourist, who wished to carry away a cane as a souvenir, paid $50 for the privilege.—New York Sun.

After a Chinese Wedding.

On the day following a Chinese wedding, at least in certain provinces, the bride's youngest brother goes to inquire after her and to take a present from her mother of a bottle of hair oil. This is a custom so ancient that no ones knows the origin thereof. No further communications take place between the bride and her family for three months, when her mother sends a sedan chair and an invitation to visit her. If there has been neither a birth nor a death in her husband's or in her mother's house for 100 days she goes and makes a short stay at her old home. This visit over, she cannot see her mother again until after her first child is born, and not then should the child be a girl. Even then if there has been a death in either family the visit cannot be made, and there have been many instances where a mother and daughter living very near each other have not met for years.—Boston Post.

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Manila Relic in California.

The San Diego Society of Natural History has an old relic of Manila in the shape of a cannon cast there 100 years ago, and brought to Old San Diego to assist in defending this port against the Mexicans, this country then belonging to Spain. The Mexicans got the place, and in turn, tried to use the cannon against Commodore Stockton. He sunk all the rest of the cannon but saved this one called "El Jupiter," and gave it to the patriotic people of Old San Diego with which to fire fourth of July salutes. Some twenty years ago the old pieces exploded while being fired, but the pieces were put together, and it fell into the hands of the society. It bears the inscription: "Carolus Fertius Hispaniarum et Indianarum rex, Manila anno de 1783."—St. Louis (Mo. Globe-Democrat.

Wasn't Ready to Marry.

Tom—"All the boys make it a business to ask Miss Nora Lot for her hand."

Jack—Yes, and it's a well known fact she sticks her 'nos' into their business."

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An English writer, speaking of the beautiful relations existing between Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone, says: "Mrs. Gladstone cultivated the art of listening to her husband to a perfection that I never saw equalled. When he spoke, her absolute attention was always at his command—in fact, I do not believe any body ever was so absorbed as Mrs. Gladstone looked. I suspect that she had learned how to wear that absolutely listening air while her mind followed its own track! But it was a decided help to him, for it secured, at table and elsewhere, a general silence when he wished to deliver his opinions, without any appearance that he personally was demanding it. Mrs. Gladstone's own little speeches to the women Liberals, too, were always on one topic—what her husband thought or how he was feeling. In short, for the old ideal of wifehood, Mrs. Gladstone was a perfect model."—New York Tribune.

The World's Coal Production.

In view of the question of coal being a contraband of war, the following statistics just issued as a Parliamentary paper will be read with interest. The United Kingdom comes first in production (1896) with 196,361,000 tons, Germany follows with 85,690,000 tons, and France next with 28,750,000 tons, while Belgium comes fourth with 21,252,000 tons. The average value at the pit's mouth in the United Kingdom was $1.51 in 1895, but fell to $1.46 in 1896, while in Germany it rose from $1.69 in 1895 to $1.77 in 1896. Great Britain employs by far the largest number of persons in the coal industry. Coming to the exports it is seen that in the year under review the United Kingdom exported 44,587,000, Germany 6,122,000, Belgium 4,018,000, United States 2,337,000 and New South Wales 2,474,000 tons, while Japan in 1895 exported 1,805,000 tons. Sweden used no less than 87 per cent of British coal, while Spain consumed 50 per cent of British coal and 50 per cent of her native production. The value of the coal in 1896 was estimated as follows: United Kingdom, $285,950,000; United States, $204,835,000; Germany, $148,245,000; Belgium and France, $62,515,000.—London Chronicle.

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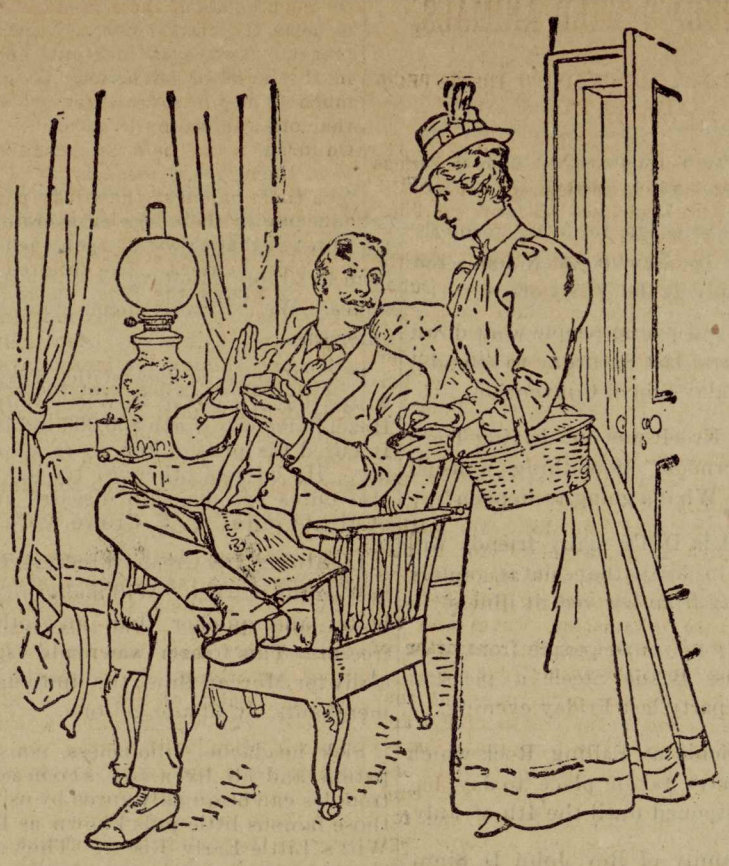

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Miss Nona Wells is visiting friends and relatives at Dogwood this week.

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Master Cotton Parker, of Brierfield, is spending this week with "Brer" Abernethy.

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The young people spent a very pleasant evening at Mrs. Davidson's last Thursday.

When you are very warm and thirsty, go to Crowe's and get a glass of ice cold soda water.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Dr. Givhan's friends are very anxious to know where he went last Saturday. How about it, Doc?

Mrs. A. B. Payne is having her dwelling painted. Mr. Findley is the artist doing the work.

The butchers have gotten rich and retired from business. Steak is as scarce here as it is at Havana.

FOR RENT.—The building formerly occupied by Newton & Nolen. For terms apply at the NEWS office.

A party of young people went down to Brierfield last Saturday to attend a Beat Sunday-school Convention.

Frank Kroell was out driving Tuesday afternoon. Something unusual for him. What's going to happen?

Miss Ada Dill's many friends will be glad to know that she is rapidly recovering from her recent illness.

A party of young people from town gave Miss Bessie Steele a pleasant surprise party last Friday evening.

The picnic at Falling Rock which was to have taken place to day, has been postponed until the 4th of July.

The family of Rev. John D. Simpson will spend the summer here with Mrs. Shivers. They arrived yesterday.

We regret to learn that Mrs. M. P. Reynolds is confined to her bed with fever. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

There will be quarterly meeting at Aldrich Saturday. Presiding Elder John D. Simpson will preach at 11 o'clock.

A protracted meeting will begin at the Metnodist next Sunday. Brother Abernethy will be assisted by Presiding Elder Simpson.

Why not make some effort to bring more trade to Montevallo? Let people know we are hustlers, and they will come here to trade.

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Don't fail to attend the big picnic at Ebenezer next Monday. Our printer says he is going, for he says he has not had a square meal lately.

Mr. Fred Reynolds spent last week at Clayton, Ala. He says there are a large number of good cooks down that way. He is thinking seriously of getting A(ls)ton.

On account of the death of Prof. Harmon and so much sickness in the neighborhood, the good people of Dogwood have decided not to have their picnic on July 4th.

A trip to Shelby Springs, or Union Springs, or some other kind of springs, was the cause of a certain young man's sickness for a few days last week. He is all right now, though.

Mr. J. B. Griffin, of Maylene, has purchased a new thrashing machine. In conversation with him a few days ago, he gave us a good deal of information about the present wheat crop. He says there will be about 6,000 barrels of flour made in Shelby county this year. This is a fine showing.

Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Rev. J. G. Thornton has the brag cabbage patch—whiteheads, you know. He thinks of starting a regular truck farm to supply Montevallo with vegetables. We certainly need such an enterprise.

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In the stillness of midnight April 25th, 1898, the angel of death came and bid H. Clay Fancher lay down his arms, cease his warfare and "come up higher." Brother Fancher had been ill for several days, but was not thought to be so near death; neither did he realize that so soon would his labors end—that he was so near to his father's house, and when the family retired for the night, many were the plans he had for future efforts along the different lines of action; all of which he rehearsed to his wife, when they both fell asleep. Ah! precious plans of God that hide from us the future; and blessed work of God that gave us the faculty of remembering such a life as his!

It was nearing midnight, and the great clocks in a thousand steeples would soon announce the dying of another day; but it required only a moment for the angel to give our brother his summons and carry up to "a house not built with hands eternal in the heavens," and as the day died, and the new one was ushered in, a body ceased to move, lips ceased to speak, eyes became dim in death, and a soul was on its way to meet its God. The news that "Papa is gone," as it was told in the heartrending sobs of his children, fell like a pall on the community, for none knew how near he was to the end of all God had given him to do. None knew in so short a time he would be transplanted and be walking the streets of the New Jerusalem.

An affectionate husband, a kind father, a true and abiding friend, thy hands have ceased to minister to the wants and necessities of others, have ceased to relieve the suffering and oppressed, but those same hands, that for forty years were so engaged, are gently touching the keys of celestial harps on high; and thy great heart, that was so kind, so full of tender sympathy for the troubled, the bereaved, the down-trodden, is filled with joy unspeakable because thou art in thy reward.

The body was laid to rest with masonic honors on the following day, in Cahaba Valley churchyard, where, near the gentle ripple of the river, and under the waving boughs of the cedar, it will await the resurrection morn.

Brother Fancher was born December 15, 1841, and was at the time of his death a little over fifty six years of age. He was a consistent member of the Baptist church for over 3[illegible] years, and gave freely of his time and means for the upbuilding of the church and the furthering of the cause of religion and the elevation of mankind. Broad and liberal in his views, a friend of education, he was a power for good in the community, and his real worth was not fully known till he was gone from among us. Earth is poorer today than before he went away, but heaven is richer because he is there.

His wife and six children survive him. To these we would say, "Weep not, 'tis the will of God." Emulate his high and noble example in all things, and leave behind you the marks of true manhood and womanhood, and like him, let it be said when you are gone, that the world is better on account of your having lived in it

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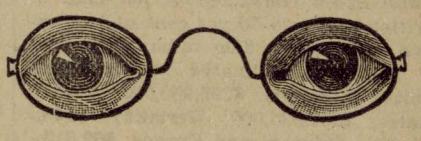

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Democratic County Ticket.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE,
D. R. McMILLAN.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK,
W. R. A. MILNER.

FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION,
DR. C. C. OLIVER.

FOR COMMISSIONERS,
2nd District—R. J. Griffin.
4th District—C. F. Elliott.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,
E. S. LYMAN.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
JOSEPH F, JOHNSTON,
of Jefferson.

Chief Justice,
THOS. McCLELLAN,
of Limestone.

Associate Justices,
JAMES R. DOWDELL,
of Chambers.

JOHN R. TYSON,
of Montgomery.

JOHN HARALSON,
of Dallas.

H. A. SHARP,
of Jefferson.

For Secretary of State,
R. P. McDAVID,
of Montgomery.

For Auditor.
WALTER S. WHITE,
of Colbert.

For Treasurer.
GEORGE W. ELLIS,
of Montgomery.

For Attorney-General,
CHARLES G. BROWN,
of Jefferson.

For Superintendent of Education,
JOHN G. ABERCROMBIE,
of Calhoun.

For Commissioner of Agriculture,
I. F. CULVER,
of Bullock.

For Chancellor N. E. Chancery Division,
R. B. KELLEY,
of Calhoun.

For Judge 7th Judicial Circuit,
GEORGE E. BREWER,
of Talladega.

Let's incorporate Montevallo, and elect Major Strong mayor.

What about incorporating and electing city fathers to look after our little city?

You cannot do better than to vote for Hon. E. S. Lyman to represent you in the next legislature.

Seven hundred million bushels of American wheat this year means cheap bread for the world.

The miners of the Birmingham district will get 40 cents per ton for mining coal after July 1, 1898.

By the time Germany's William gets his war germ cultivated; Uncle Sam will have a good healthy tocsin ready for his cure.

The Democrats never had a better chance to elect their ticket than now. With a strong ticket and divided opposition, success seems assured.

Bugler Gillow. one of Lieutenant Hobson's proteges, has distinguished himself in action within the last few days. This young hero is also a native of Greensboro, Ala.

Hunger and misery are making themselves felt throughout the Spanish peninsula. There will soon be 35,000 unemployed in Catalonia, and everywhere else there are similar accounts of distress, going from bad to worse day by day.

Mr. T. W. Williams, of Morgan county, Ala., is the owner of probably the largest hog in the world. It weighs 1,500 pounds, is 4 feet 6 inches high, 7 feet in diameter, and is 10 feet and 2 inches in length. The hog is 3 years old, and will be exhibited all over the United States by its owner, who recently refused an offer of $500 for it.

The coal miners of the Birmingham district have agreed to accept an advance of 2½ cents per ton for mining coal during the next fiscal year beginning July 1st. They af first demanded an advance of 5 cents per ton, but after several consultations with the operators of the different mining camps, they agreed on a compromise, thus averting a strike.

The stragetic board has issued orders for Commodore Watson to form a squadron of ten of our best and fastest ships, and to proceed to the Spanish coast with the determination to attack the cities there. The president said the only way to end the war was to take the fleet to Spain and demonstrate to the people the helplessness of its government.

Atlanta, Ga., has been named as location for Spanish prisoners. About 5,000 will be carried to Fort McPherson.

Early next week the president will issue a third call for at least 150,000 more men to enlist to fight for the country's flag.

The soldiers at Mobile were paid off last Thursday, and that night they painted the old town red. Friday morning at roll-call over half of them failed to respond to their names. Guards were kept busy Friday getting the men out of town back into camp.

Four soldiers killed and twenty wounded in a railroad accident at Tupelo, Miss., Sunday.

All of the soldier boys ha been transferred from Mobile Miami, Fla.

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WIT AND HUMOR.

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

TO THE AVERAGE EGOTIST:

Lives of great men all remind us
That, if we but had the time,
We could leave them all behind us
In the race for fame sublime

SUESEQUENT.

Bronson—My poor old grandmother is dead, and her parrot died the next day.

Dailey—Very strange! The poor bird died of grief, I suppose?

Bronson—No, I killed it with a poker.

IN THE RANKS.

Mrs. Buswick—Did your husband occupy an important position in the army during the civil war?

Mrs. Miswell—A very important position. He was employed by the Government in a private capacity.

Mrs. Buswick—Indeed.

WAR SAFE GUARD.

Miss Willington—I'm glad this trouble with Spain has come, even if it is going to be rather costly.

Miss Wrightley—Why, you heartless girl! What makes you say that?

Miss Willington—Because hereafter when ma gets to telling about cunning things I used to do before the war it'll not be such a complete give away.

PREPARING FOR THE WORST.

The young naval recruit was bidding farewell to the friends at home, when the old man said to him:

"John, you will likely be in many ticklish places. But if you should happen to be killed at sea, don't let 'em bury you there, but tell 'em to send you home. Give 'em them instructions the moment you know that you're killed. Don't neglect it. We want you where we can put a monument over you and point to you with pride!"

The young man said he'd think over it.

A RUINOUS PRACTICE.

"I thought you and Horrikins formed a law partnership last week; yet you seem to have this office all to yourself now?"

"We did form a partnership, but I kicked him out. A woman came in the other day to consult him and he told her she had no case, before he had put in a single day's work on it."

NOT ANTEDILUVIAN.

The Vet—I'll wager you never once smelled the smoke of battle.

The Recruit—No sir. In my time they only used smokeless powder.

SHE THOUGHT IT OVER.

Mrs. Mishaw—You praise yourself too much, my dear. People would appreciate you more, and would tell you so, if you were to cultivate a little modest reticence.

Mr. Mishaw—There's where you are out. I did that for years, and nobody took any notice of me but you.

A SHATTERED ROMANCE.

Edith—I suppose you are getting lovely letters from your soldier admirer.

May—Dear me, no! He turns out not to have a soul above the salt pork which he complains they are feeding him on.

BAFFLED.

The fortune-teller excused herself for a minute and left the room.

"I'll have to give it up," she said to her confederate.

"What's the matter?"

"Why, how can I be expected to tell the fortune of that big gawking idiot successfully when I can't worm any sort of a tip out of him as to the kind of a fortune-telling he wants to hear?"

Yes; there are many difficulties of which we little wot or entirely wot not, as the case may be.

NEPTUNE'S CLEAN DOMAIN.

Bill—The sea ought to be pretty clean by this time.

Jill—Why so?

"So many ships scouring it."

POSTPONING THE DATE.

First Guest—Say, don't talk so loud, Jones, our hostess is going to sing "Some Day."

Second Guest—Oh, go and tell her to sing next week, won't you?

OVERDID IT.

"Did you find the wideawake salesman you advertised for?"

"Yes, but we couldn't keep him; the only business qualification he had was insomnia."

AN EXPENSIVE FLEET.

Waggles—The various prisons are likely to bankrupt the country.

Jaggles—How's that?

Waggles—Why, I see they feed the prisoners on bread and water.

HE FIXED HIM.

A somewhat reckless youth who had enlisted for the war and had spent his time in camp in writing home for money, finally sent this telegram as "a clincher."

"Father: Leg shot off in sham battle. Send all funds you can."

To this the old man replied:

"Son: Don't know your number, but wooden leg goes to you by express. If doesn't fit, get camp carpenter to plane it. Best love. All well here."

THROWN AWAY.

"You seem fond of that old armchair, Miss Birdie," said young Cholly who was sitting bolt upright on the edge of a chair about eight feet away.

"Yes," replied the young woman, settling herself back in it. "It's comfortable. And it seems to know what its arms are for, wooden as it is."

But even this was lost on the thick-headed youth.

Won By the Old Songs.

Malcolm Stuart of Nashville, Tenn., fell in love with Lottie Nettleton the very moment that their eyes met. But the course of true love was not smoother in their case that it is with others, and the girl's poverty and humble birth were great and glaring faults in the eyes of the proud old Highlander, biding at home. He wrote to his son and commanded him to abandon his love quest until he should meet a lass of his kin and be ready to settle down in the home of his father. Malcolm read the letter and then went to read the story in Lottie's eyes, which was widely different in style and argument; and before another fortnight he cabled to his father:

"Lottie and I were married Tuesday and I am bringing her home to you, sir."

The greeting to the bride in the stately home was courteous, but her young heart chilled and fainted. Then, after a day or so, she was asked to sing, and when once she began to speak through her music her blood grew warm and courageous. It was a daring thing for an alien to do, but the girl was playing for the love of her loved one's kindred. So, while the old man nodded by his fire, she began to sing "Highland Mary."

There was a little stirring in the old armchair as she finished the song, and then, quite naturally, but, oh, so softly, she essayed "Annie Laurie," "The Banks O' Doon," and "Bonnie Charlie." Memories of other days stirred the Highland father's soul as the sweet young voice rang on; and as she began the 'Land O' the Leal" his hand fell on her shoulder.

"Ay, lassie, gude lassie; there's a Scotch bird in your throat, whate'er yer blood is, dearie. Na wonder Malcolm's heart took wings. Gie me a kiss, then, Lottie."

And as the young man, heart-sore and angry with his father for his reception of his bride, entered the room, Lottie was pressing a daughter's kiss on the old man's cheek and singing with him a north country ditty.

"I cud ay stan' again the bonnie look o' her, lad," he exclaimed, to the son. "But the songs o' auld Scotland hae won me!"—Chicago Journal.

Black backgrounds with loose flowers scattered carelessly over them, make one of the pretty styles in lawns and organdies.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Better than "Our country, right or wrong," is this sentiment for the hour: Our country, righting wrong.

No European concert will be complete these days without the "Star-Spangled Banner," and "Dixie-Doodle."

Japan was originally civilized by way of China. To-day Japan sends scholars and men of science to instruct the Chinese.

Gladstone will remain one of the big figures in the century now so near its close that the next big man of his class must make his reputation in the century to come.

We all knew General Merritt was a great fighter, observes the New York Mail and Express, but we were not expecting an engagement before he was half-way to the Pacific coast.

Four foreign wars in a century and a quarter is not a bad record for the nation. There are not many other important states that have been as peaceful as the United States.

Whether or not it is proper to ride a bicycle to church, and, if it is, in what garb the rider shall be arrayed, are questions now greatly agitating the ecclesiastical mind of England.

The Postmaster General has arranged for the forwarding of letters on war ships to the Philippines at domestic rates. Of course, we will expect to see letters for our new Post Office addressed: "Manila, Philippine Islands, U. S. A."

It now transpires that the United States expended more money during the past few years in target practice in the navy than Great Britain, France and Germany combined. The result at Manila proved the investment to have been a good one.

The fact that Cuban railroads have been getting coal from the United States while there are vast deposits of coal in that island only needing the work of the miner is a striking indication of the inefficient character of the administration which has prevailed there, and which has made possible the present deplorable condition of the "Pearl of the Antilles."

American cities have become famous for those architectural monstrosities known as "sky-scrapers." At last Chicago, long the worst offender, has had the wisdom to pass a law limiting the heighth to which buildings may be raised. Such a law has long been in force in Boston. New York is still incorrigible, and the latest monument of ugliness there is thirty stories high!

A number of business firms in Canada are using a private postal card, on which is printed in colors an emblematic device indicating the union of feeling between Great Britain and the United States. Columbia, with the eagle at her feet, and Britannia, with the lion at her feet, are seated together, with the shields of the two countries in front of them. The American and British flags are waving over them, a picture of the globe appearing in the center, and woven in the device are the words, "Anglo-Saxon, Gloria Mundi. One Aim, One Goal."

A most hopeful sign of the times is the growing respect for what are called "the bread and butter sciences." Modern methods of education look more and more toward inspiring our boys and girls with respect for work, and preparing them for honest industry by putting them in possession of all their faculties. The field of skilled labor is constantly widening; the artisans of the twentieth century will claim closer kinship with the artists; brain will guide and re-enforce muscle in field and kitchen, toil will be lightened by invention, and in good time by shorter hours.

American breadstuffs must henceforth take a place as one of the potent ammunitions of war, along with gunpowder and coal. Should European intervention be established against the United States, this could easily be defeated within thirty days simply by withholding our exports of wheat and coarse grains, declares the American Agriculturist. The English government is now said to be disposed to provide the much-discussed government warehouses for reserves of grain. Never in the history of the country has there been such universal recognition of the dependence of Europe upon our cereal crops.

While immigration from Ireland has materially decreased in recent years—the less desirable Latins having assumed first place in the numerical list—there is shown in a late report of Consul Daniel Swiney, at Queenstown, a remarkable and gratifying fact in connection with the Irish seeking betterment of their condition on this side of the Atlantic. In 1897, only 33,000 came from the Emerald Isle to the United States, and about half of these were returning immigrants who had gone home as visitors. The reduced exodus from the other side means that the conditions of life for the masses in Ireland have greatly improved, while the great percentage of returning visitors indicates the favorable results attending intelligent industry and thrift in this country.

The importance of considering air resistance in cycling is shown in a recent review of a book on cycling by Professor Boys. He said that if only the road and machine resistance had to be overcome, a man who could, under ordinary conditions, drive his bicycle at a rate of 30 miles per hous, would be able to make 330 miles per hour, or if he could actually make 20 miles an hour he would go 100. The amount that pace making plays in record-breaking may be seen from the foregoing, while the question of barometer height also has been considered. According to the Professor's calculations a difference of one inch in the height of the barometer might make a difference of a second in a minute, if the corresponding diminuition of oxygen in the rider's lungs did not compensate for the reduced resistance.

Attempts to acount for the languishing of cotton manfacturing in New England while it flourishes in the South have led to various conclusions. The committee of the Massachusetts Legislature which has recently investigated this subject tells us that the main reason for the different status of the industry in the two sections is due to the restrictive labor laws of the New England states. The Textile World in its latest issue attributes the prosperity of the Southern mills mainly to another cause, namely, the more modern machinery used in the South. While the average New England mill has held on to antiquated machinery the mills of the South, most of which are new, are equipped in the latest style. The spinning machinery of the New England mills is comparatively modern, and the carding machinery fairly good, but they are as a rule far behind the South in weaving machinery for the same class of goods.

What is the Oregon? And what has she done? She is a heavy coast-line battle ship. She is intended for giving and taking blows in defence of home and country. She is not intended for swift cruising in distant seas. Yet the latter is exactly what she was called upon to do. She was ordered to hasten "from lands of sun to lands of snows" and back again to lands of sun, through two oceans and three zones, past more than a dozen alien coasts, in distance more than half way round the world, through distress of tropic heat and through peril of antarctic storms; through peril, too, of attack from hostile fleets; and at the end of the arduous voyage to be in full fighting trim, ready for instant action. It was a commission that might well be deemed trying to any vessel that was ever launched. But she fulfilled it to the letter. After all the perils and labors of 13,000 miles, through strange waters, she reaches her station ahead of expected time, with not a tube broken nor a rivet strained, nor the stroke of a hammer nor the turn of a wrench needed to prepare her for the clash of battle. If there is a finer tribute to shipbuilding and seamanship in all the world than in that simple fact, we should like to know where it is.

A WESTERN FAIRYLAND.

The Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha is an Artistic Triumph.

In that great stretch of mountain and prairie known to eastern people only a few short years ago as the Wild West a veritable fairyland has sprung into existence, with scarcely a louder herald than the swish of the saw or the sound of the hammer. The Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha, Neb., which was opened by telegraph by President McKinley, in Washington, on June 1st, has grown into proportions far beyond its original conception, until it stands to-day stamped with an international character, counting its friends in every section of the globe. Day by day it has developed into a living reality, and the magnificent buildings are typical of the art, the science, the enterprise and the progress of the West.

The project, as it first found expression, contemplated a great fair to manifest to the world the resources of the territory west of the Mississippi River. Gradually its scope broadened. Congress recognized its National character; foreign countries appreciated the value of the opportunities offered; State after State fell in line, demanding space for proper representation until, when it was opened, it had assumed the magnitude and importance of a World's Fair.

The site selected is just north of the city of Omaha, on a plateau, and a visit to it is like a trip to fairyland. On every side is the element of originality. It is a copy of nothing ever before attempted in this field. From the beautiful auditorium at the eastern extremity down to the magnificent building abutting the western end of the lagoon and dedicated to the United States Government every detail strikes the eye as being unique and original. In one respect only does it suggest Chicago. It is a white city, every building being finished in the material known as "staff." In every other respect the "dream city" of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition is like nothing ever before planned and accomplished in America. Every crown, cap, figure and pilaster is cast from models entirely new, rich and tasteful, and all are typical of the culture, the refinement, the progress and the resources of the West.

Besides the usual buildings devoted to the arts, trades, sciences and natural resources of the West, nearly every State west of the Mississippi River has erected its own representative structure.

In the Grand court at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, looking east from the island which occupies the center of the lagoon, one is impressed by the artistic architectural effects before him. When the great Government building, with its massive dome and flanking colonnades, was built at the west end overlooking the court, it was thought lifficult, in view of the fact that a aduct at the east must connect the bluff and main tracts, to finish that end in a like artistic and imposing manner. But the architects happily solved the difficulty in making the viaduct not only a thing of beauty and usefulness, but one of the most artistic conceits on the grounds. The visitor may go by boat the entire length of the basin from the Government building to the Sherman avenue viaduct, passing many of the main buildings. Arriving at the east end he will see a beautiful green sward rising in terraces, adorned with sculpture and shrubbery, before him. Beyond this, and facing him is a great hemicycle stairway, thirty feet in width, adorned on either side with a tower, which is crowned by a kiosk or minaret. Sweeping out on either side and connecting these towers with others of like design are graceful arches. Back of all this and rising in five gently graduated towers, and crowned with statues of heroic design, are the two great viaduct restaurants. The towers and stairs are tinted to an old ivory shade, decorated with dull Pompeiian colors.

Beyond and across the viaduct, the bluff tract has been transformed into a park, where the various state buildings are located and which also is the site of the great Horticultural building and some of the larger structures of the amusement section.

At the eastern end of the lagoon the auditorium, with a seating capacity of twenty-five hundred, rears its front, and abutting the western end of this grand canal the United States Government Building stands, a majestic structure, overlooking the broad basin, surmounted by a handsome dome with a statue of Liberty bearing aloft the flaming torch of progress and enlightenment. The lagoon, which is widened here by excavating a trefoil, is nearly 400 feet in width and forms a water-amphitheatre, which, with the colonnades surrounding it, easily forms one of the prettiest effects to be found in the exposition.

Lining the lagoon on either side and reflected into its waters stand the buildings devoted to arts and mechanics. That of Mines and Mining and the Machinery and Electricity Building are splendid structures. The lagoon itself has many novel features made possible by the rapid improvement in the methods of electric lighting. At the east end are located electric water grottoes, the Blue Grotto of Capri and the Mammoth Cave.

The educational features of the exposition have not been overlooked. They are in the hands of representative Western women, to whom has been assigned the management of philosophic and scientific congresses, the Boys and Girls' Building, as well as all branches of woman's work. They will have charge of the exhibits of the work of public schools, kindergartens, art, reform, industrial and all schools of special instruction.

Not the least important feature of the great exposition is the ethnological exhibit. It is possible that never again will an effort of this character be enabled to secure an Indian exhibit of the proportions contemplated by this. The Indian race is rapidly disappearing, and the opportunity to study clear-cut types of every known tribe will be hailed with delight by every lover of ethnology.

And the Midway. The management has provided a programme of unique and wholesome attractions, and is adding to it daily. Novel and meritorious show features are encouraged, and the visitor will not lack amusement. Foreign villages are in abundance. An exact reproduction of Cripple Creek in miniature is exhibited. This concession alone occupies 15,000 square feet and requires 300 people to produce it. The Afro-American village typifies every phase of their life. A novel example of engineering skill is Sherman's Umbrella, by which passengers are elevated to a height of 300 feet and revolved within a circle of 250 feet. The Moorish village will be here; so will the Irish, Tyrolean and Chinese villages, and many others. Nothing will be left undone to contribute to the satisfaction and pleasure of the visitors.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BUILDING AT THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPOSITION, OMAHA.

How an Ant Found Its Way.

The President of the Agassiz Association, Mr. H. H. Ballard, recently caught an ant near its hill, shut it up in a box, carried it 150 feet away and set it free in the middle of a sandy road. What followed he thus describes: "It seemed at first bewildered. Then it climbed to the top of a ridge of sand, erected its body as high as possible, waved its antennæ for several seconds, and then started in a straight line for home."

The twelve Atlantic cables now in use represent a total capital of about $85,000,000.

MRS. NELSON A. MILES.

She Has Taken Interest in Fighting Since She Became a Soldier's Wife.

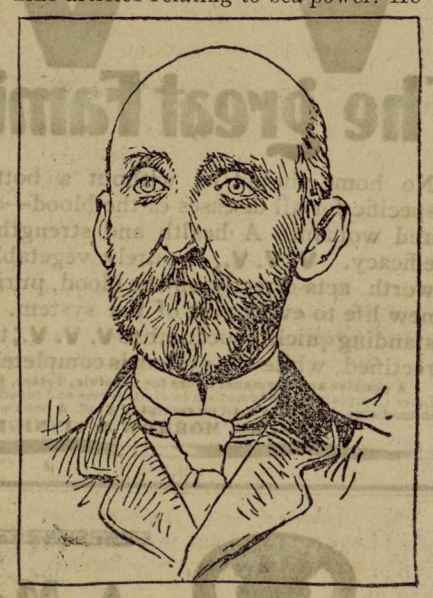
Mrs. Nelson A. Miles, wife of the commander of the United States army, is one of the most attractive and hospitable women in Washington, and

MRS. NELSON A. MILES.

deeply interested in every move that is made by the American army. She has always taken an interest in fighting since she has been a soldier's wife. Years ago when the general was only Colonel Miles, in command of the Presidio in San Francisco, he and Mrs. Miles were called "the handsomest couple in the army." Mrs. Miles has not lost much of the charm that made her the goddess of every young fellow from West Point in her young days in California. She was Mary Sherman before her marriage. Her father was Judge Sherman, a brother of the senator and the general. Her hair is dark and abundant, her eyes are a grayish blue and her manners are winning. She is as kind and attentive to the wife of a second lieutenant as to the wife of a brigadier-general, and that is why she has ever been popular, no matter where stationed. Mrs. Miles accompanied the general on his trip to Europe last year. She accompanied him, too, on some of his expeditions against the Indians, and was often within sound of the shooting.

Our Chief Naval Strategist.

Since Captain Alfred T. Mahan has returned from Europe and has been assigned to a place on the Naval Strategy Board at Washington he has had a splendid opportunity to put to an actual test many of the theories advocated by him in his books and magazine articles relating to sea power. He



CAPTAIN ALFRED T. MAHAN.

is the foremost expert in his specialty in all the world and his views are considered the last word on naval matters both in England and here at home.

The Pope's Pen.

The Pope does his private writing with a gold pen, but the pontifical signature is always written with a pen made from the feather of a white dove. —Pittsburg Dispatch.

In an oratorical contest at the Idaho University for the Watkins medal Jennie Hughes, the only colored student in the institution, was the winner.

At sea level, an object 100 feet high is visible a little over thirteen miles. If 500 feet high, it is visible nearly thirty miles.

A Prominent Physician.

A prominent New York physician in discussing the merits of Ripans Tabules with a brother M. D. said: "Several years ago I asserted that if one wished to become a philanthopist, and do a beneficent deed—one that would help the whole human race—nothing could be better than to procure the Roosevelt Hospital prescription, *which is the basis of the Ripans Tabules*, and cause it to be put up in the form of a ketchup and distributed among the poor."

Sales Increasing.

The largest retail drug store in America is that of Hegeman & Co. on Broadway in New York City. A reporter who went there to learn how Ripans Tabules were selling bought a five-cent carton and asked: "Do you have much call for these?"

He was referred to a gentleman who proved to be the head of the department. He said:

"The sale of Ripans Tabules is constant and is increasing, due especially to the influential character of the testimonials in the daily press, and growing out of these, through the recommendation of friend to friend. Satisfaction with them is very general. When once they are begun I notice that a permanent customer for them is made. This, I believe, is through their intrinsic merit, which proves the bona fide character of the advertising. I think them specially useful in the general run of stomach troubles."

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An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

A new style packet containing TEN RIPANS TABULES packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some drug stores—FOR FIVE CENTS. This low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen of the five-cent cartons (10 tabules) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce Street, New York—or a single carton (TEN TABULES) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABULES may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. One gives relief.

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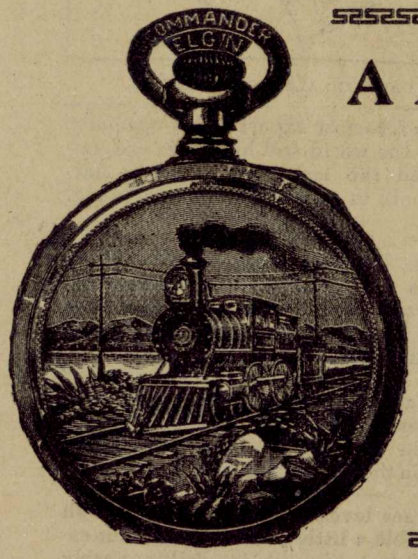

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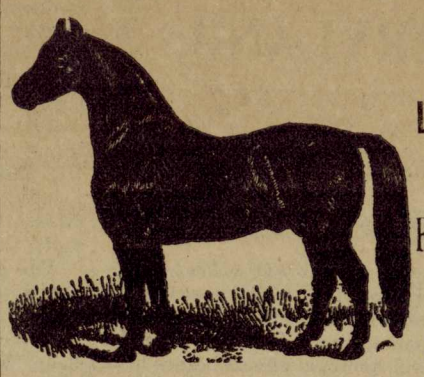

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HIS LOVE WAS FALSE.

The following outpouring of a soul in travail was composed by a gallant soldier boy at Camp Merritt, a member of Company F, who from the fact that he has not heard from his lady love for the space of three weeks, believes she is fickle and false. Further comment is unnecessary, except to say that the young lady in the case is also a resident of this city:

The Soldier's Farewell.

I am lying in my tent, Sweet Marie,
And my soul with rage is pent up in G,
For I know almighty well you have caught another fel,
And your thoughts no longer dwell, love, with me.

When we kissed a last goodbye, tearfully,
You but worked a girlish guy off on me.
O, you sweet, bewitching jade, what a clever game you played,
For your tears were ready-made, Sweet Marie.

Sweet Marie, list to me, list to me, Sweet Marie,
While I whisper to the winds, you're n. g.
You were loyal, you were true, I was all the world to you,
When my cash for you I blew, Sweet Marie.

When I donned the soldier blue, Sweet Marie,
Like a picnic woodtick you stuck to me,
And the smile you used to wear was as full of gleaming glare
As a sunbeam on a tear, Sweet Marie.

How your cunning head you'd lay lovingly
On my bosom while you'd say things to me;
There you'd rest in loving pose right beneath my very nose,
Swiping buttons from my clothes, Sweet Marie.

To the Phillippines I go, Sweet Marie,
Where the tropic sun will glow over me,
And I'll wander through the dells with the Brown Manilla belles,
Who are dressed in beads and shells, scantily.

There your face I'll soon forget, Sweet Marie;
I'll be frisky, you can bet, as a flea.
I'll be giddy, I'll be gay, I will sing the hours away,
Ta-ra-ra-ra boom de-ay! Hully gee!

—Aberdeen (S. D.) News.

(By Request.)

A LETTER TO GIRLS.

DEAR AUNT JANE:

When I was a girl I used to wish some older lady would write to the girls oftener. If I could say anything that would do them any good I would be very glad, for I certainly have their welfare at heart.

To be a pure, upright, educated, Christian woman, is as noble an ambition as any girl can have. The good women are the beginning of all earthly good, I think, for if there were no good women, you would not find much of good among the men, and the girls of now are soon to be our women. If only all our women would live pure, upright lives, what a blessing it would be.

Dear young girls, you do not realize what a vast influence for good you can have if you will only try. Every word, every act, I might almost say every thought, leaves its impress for good or ill on someone.

In your intercourse with those of the other sex, conduct yourself so as to gain the honor and respect of every man, and through you he will hold all womankind in greater respect. The higher the standard by which he measures womanhood, the purer his life is apt to be. Be gay and happy and enjoy yourselves all that you can, but do not let your gaiety run to rowdyism. It is no credit to a girl to be rough, for while some would laugh and help you on, in their hearts they will think a little less of you for your lack of womanliness. You all wish to be admired and loved, and stand well in the estimation of your friends and neighbors, I know, and you can do it if you choose to take the pains; it is well worth the pains, too. It is through ignorance and thoughtlessness a girl most often loses her sweetest charms.

You have all seen some woman whom you would wish to be like when you have grown older, haven't you? One in whose presence life seems better and sweeter, higher thoughts come, selfishness seems out of place, you long to live a better life and help other to be better.

Maybe you might take a few lessons from her. She isn't apt to talk so very loud. I know she does not use slangy expressions, nor tell everything disagreeable about other people.

A modest girl is always admired whether she is homely or beautiful. She has the respect of all men and women, and without respect love is impossible.

You all wish to be loved, and why not? We have all had our dreams. Mothers, why deny it? It is a God-given instinct of our natures to love and wish to be loved in return. The sweetest gift this life holds for a woman is the love and respect of a good and honorable man.

But do not be in haste to wed, little girl, for you now hold life's sweetest, gayest, freest days, and you had better hold to them till you find a man you are quite sure will be worth having, one who will help you in life's hard places and in filling your life fuller of good, for life holds work and duty for us all as well as love, you know.

"Life is real, life is earnest,
And the grave is not its goal."

Keep your girlhood days of freedom, guard them as precious jewels. Do not fritter them away in foolishness and flirting with this boy and that, gaining idle compliment from him, or perhaps winning his deeper, truer love, only to throw him aside, causing him to think woman's sweetest smiles are falsest, thus lowering all womanhood in his eyes.

A boy's, or, young man's, greatest safeguard lies in the honor and reverence which he bears the women he meets in everyday life. Use your days in learning lessons of patience, tenderness and kindness, storing up strength of mind, of character and of body, for you will have need of all when the days of wifehood and motherhood come. Dear girls, do nothing which will call a blush to your cheek in after years. When your hero comes, as he will, you will wish to be worthy of his fullest confidence and love, that he may read your heart and life, without causing you fear or shame. Allow absolutely no familiarity from any man. Let your motto be: "Touch me not."

Do not hold yourself too cheap. Your love will be worth gaining if it is worth having.

I would cut my head off before I would let any man think I cared for him before he cared for me. You will be more appreciated if you are not too easily won. I heard a young man say not long ago, "A fellow likes competition." Do not count a man's worth by the coat he wears, and his dudish ways. Sometimes a common sack coat covers as warm, generous a heart as can be found under the most stylish Prince Albert.

Girls, don't be guilty of slighting anyone, or slyly poking fun at those who may be less well dressed than you happen to be. Sometimes you meet those who are too bashful or lacking in self-confidence to show their best points. Don't snub them, but help them out. Don't use slang ever, it is not ladylike. Don't use any word or expression of which you do not know the meaning. As to the girl who thinks her face is plain, you stand just as good chance of winning the love of a sensible man as your fairer sister. Be sensible, be true, be sincere, be neat, and wear your clothes as if they belonged to you. "Cleanliness is next to godliness;" you are young and strong, able to wash and iron.

Be pure, be true, be brave and tender; be kind and patient. You have all of life before you, and every pure thought, every kindly deed, every tender little act, every cheering word bravely spoken to hearts often weary will help you and those around you onward and upward, to our eternal home, where I hope we will at last win peace and love.—Constance Hope, in Atlanta Constitution.

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Dunnavant, Thursday,	July	21
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GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Method of Utilizing Convicts.

It is generally recognized that the welfare of convicts (mental, moral and physical) depends largely upon suitable employment being provided for them, and that it is cruel to keep them in idleness. It is also obvious that it is unjust for the community to be obliged to support an army of law-breakers; but in what manner convicts can be employed without bringing their labor into competition with free labor, has not yet become clear.

It is important that something be done, and many good roads advocates believe that convicts should be employed in some way in helping to construct public roads. General Stone and others, prominent in the cause, have, after much examination and consideration, concluded that the most feasible thing to do is to use them while in confinement to prepare road metal. In this way the stone can be made ready at very small cost, without competing with free labor, as it would be work that would otherwise not be done at all, and then a large amount of otherwise unemployed free labor would be called into active use for road construction. In the series of practical articles by D. F. Magee, appearing in the Lancaster Examiner, he treats of these points, and makes the following suggestions of a simple method of utilizing convict labor for this purpose. He says:

"Let the Prison Board lease or buy an acre of ground, in which there is a breast of stone easily quarried, and of first-class quality for road-making, somewhere convenient to the city to start with. Let them provide a close fence, say twelve or fifteen feet high, of corrugated iron, made in panels, so that it can be firmly bolted to iron posts of a like height, and can be erected and taken down conveniently when it is desired to move it and to haul it to some other point, and this fence about the quarry equip with sharp keen spears on top and a metal base extending into the ground some distance.

"Within this enclosure, erect of metal, in sections so as to easily remove the same, all necessary buildings, one story high; kitchen, dining-room and sleeping compartments. Within this enclosure provide all necessary tools, machinery, etc., and there let the convicts quarry out stone, break it and load it upon wagons when required, working at this particular place so long as any stone is required in that section, preparing only the fine stone for second and last coat, and supplying only as much in each township as the farmers themselves cannot supply or do not have. Then move the prison to another point so as to do a like work in another section of the county. Two or three moves a year, we believe, would suffice to make the plan feasible and effective, and make the hauling convenient.

"The feeding and clothing of the prisoners can be done as cheaply and as satisfactorily as when in jail. All authorities agree that their health would be vastly improved and habits of regular systematic labor engrafted upon their lives that would be a blessing to them afterwards and a boon to the community in ridding it of an idle class that becomes steeped in vice largely through its habits of idleness. The prisoners could be readily transported to these convict camps in closed vans, and after serving their time be discharged from there or returned to the jail in the same manner."

Military Roads For Cuba.

It is understood that General Stone, director of the Road Inquiry Bureau of the Department of Agriculture, is to go to Cuba in order to construct military roads there to facilitate the occupation of the island by our army. Complete outfits of road-making machinery are expected to be taken and the work pushed with all speed. In considering the matter, the Chicago Record says that General Stone "reviewed with General Miles the conditions to be anticipated in Cuba during the rainy season, when the rough roads there will be rendered impassible, and the ease with which good roads can be constructed by the use of improved machinery. He pointed out with effect the strategic advantages which would have been gained by the Union armies during the war if facilities for constructing good roads had been available and if military operations had not depended in so large a measure upon the elements. He recalled several instances where decided progress would have been made had the armies constructed roads instead of waiting in camp for the sun and wind to dry the mud and make the rough country passable. General Stone believes that the roads that he will construct will not only materially aid the movement of the armies, but that they will remain a permanent improvement to be enjoyed by the people of Cuba after peace is restored."

Good Roads in Massachusetts.

The Ways and Means Committee has reported in favor of the appropriation of $400,000 for highways ($200,000 less than the Committee on Roads and Bridges recommended), all but $100,000 of it to be available this year. This is a generous amount of money to put into roads, and it is well invested. But let the House remember this when the wide-tire, or road-protector, bill comes before it.—Boston Transcript.

Narrow Versus Wide Tires.

Scientific experiments extending over two years have been made to determine the relative qualities of wide and narrow wagon-wheel tires. Every kind of road was used to test the question. It was found that on macadam roads the narrow tires were far inferior to the wide, and they required much greater effort to draw a given load. In a deeply rutted clay road, the narrow tires running in the ruts and the wide tires on top, the narrow tires were far more efficient. This was also the case with wet mud. But as soon as the mud began to dry the wide tires showed a vast superiority. In general the only justification for narrow tires proved to be thoroughly bad roads.

Shots at Bad Roads.

Connecticut has a wide-tire law, but judging from appearances no attempt is made to enforce it.

Rhode Island wheelmen intend to have the wide tire law of their State enforced. They are having it published and are calling attention to it.

Wide tires preserve good roads, improve poor ones and remove ruts. They are made more efficient by having the rear axle of the wagon longer than the forward one.

The length of the public highways of this country is said to be 1,500,000 miles. The amount of freight hauled over them in one year is estimated at 500,000,000 tons, and the cost of carting it $1,000,000,000, but with really good roads this item could be reduced over one-half.

It was said by G. P. Healy that he who is suited with existing roads because they suited his fathers, might as well believe in witches because his great-grandfathers feared them.

Somebody has been taking a census of steam rollers in Massachusetts and finds that as against twenty-seven in 1893, there are now 127 owned there. Still, the increase has not kept pace with the increase in the number of bicycles whose owners, in their efforts for good roads, are responsible for the larger number of steam rollers.

Royal Family of Boxers.

Boxing is a favorite sport of the Danish royal family, Prince Valdemar being the best boxer among them. When he challenged the late Emperor Alexander III. of Russia, however, he met more than his match. King George of Greece is also skilled with the gloves. The present Emperor of Russia, on his travels around the world, used to have a bout with Prince George of Greece every morning on the bridge of the steamer.

Civility costs nothing and buys everything.—Lady Mary Montague.

THE "JENKIN'S EAR" ISSUE.

It Resulted in a New Era of Activity in England.

Spain claimed to be mistress, by decree of the pope, of all the seas and continents covered by the vague title of "the Spanish Main," and so for two centuries, whatever was the case in Europe, perpetual war raged in the tropics.

By the Assiento treaty the British were allowed to dispatch one ship, not exceeding 600 tons, to the Spanish Main each year; but what parchment skin of treaties could keep the volume of the world's trade flowing through such a petty squirt! Illegal traders to the Spanish Main abounded, and Spanish guarda costas were not gentle in their methods of suppressing them. Capt. Jenkins, with his vessel, the Rebecca, sailing from Jamaica to London, was stopped and searched on the coast of Havana by a Spanish revenue cutter. Jenkins was slashed over the head with a cutlass and his left ear was chopped off. A Spanish officer then tore off the bleeding ear, flung it in its owner's face and bade him "carry it home to his king and tell him what had been done." The story of how that little morsel of brown, withered flesh turned out a spark which kindled the inarticulate slow-burning wrath of the English nation into a flame and swept England itself into war, Carlye tells:

"The 'Jenkins' ear' question, which once looked so mad, was sane enough, and covered tremendous issues. Half the world lay hidden in embryo under it. 'Colonial empire'—whose is it to be? Shall half the world be England's for industrial purposes, which is innocent, laudable, conformable to the multiplication table, at least, and other plain laws? Or shall it be Spain's, for arrogant, torpid, sham-devotional purposes, contradictory to every law? The incalculable 'Yankee nation' itself, biggest phenomenon (once thought beautifulest) of these ages—this, too, little as careless readers on either side of the sea now know it, lay involved. Shall there be a Yankee nation, shall there not be? Shall the new world be of Spanish type, shall it be of English? Issues which we may call immense! Among the then extant sons of Adam, where was he who could in the faintest degree surmise what issues lay in the Jenkins' ear question? And is it curious to consider now, with what fierce, deep-breathed doggedness, the poor English nation, drawn by their instincts of simple, guileless persons (liable to be counted stupid by the unwary) are sometimes of prophetic nature, and spring from the deep places of this universe."

Get a Whole Lot for Nothing.

The man who always wants something for nothing made a discovery in a Diamond street restaurant. A waiter upset a glass on the marble-topped lunch counter, breaking the edge of the glass. The waiter carelessly tossed it under the counter and got another with a smooth edge for the customer he was serving.

"What do you do with glasses thus slightly damaged?" asked the customer of the restaurant proprietor, relating the circumstance.

"Oh, we give them away; have to get rid of them; can't endanger the lips of customers by serving them in nicked glasses. But why are you interested?"

"Why, I thought if you would give me a few of the old glasses my wife might use them for jellies."

"Give me your address and I'll send you some," volunteered the restaurant keeper.

The man for a longing for articles without price went away gleefully, calculating mentally on how much he had saved on jelly glasses. Two days later, when he went home from business, he found thirteen barrels in his back yard. His wife said she supposed he had sent them and she paid the man $4.75 for delivering them. When opened, the barrels were found to contain broken glassware and china of all sorts. None of it could be used, not even for jelly glasses. An ash hauler charged $2 for taking away the rubbish. The man who wants things for nothing has withdrawn his patronage from a particular restaurant in Diamond street.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

The Oldest Postal System.

We find the first recorded postal system in the Persian Empire, under Cyrus the Elder; but it is clear that Rome of all the ancient States possessed the best organized system of transmitting letters through its numerous provinces.

All along the great Roman roads houses were erected at a distance of five or six miles from each other. At each of these stations forty horses were constantly kept, and by the help of the relays it was easy to travel 100 miles in a day. These services were intended for the State only, it being imperative to secure the rapid interchange of official communications.

In the time of Julius Caesar the system was so well organized that of two letters the great soldier wrote from Britain to Cicero at Rome, the one reached its destination in twenty-six and the other in twenty-eight days. Private citizens had to trust to the services of slaves, and it is not till the end of the third century that we hear of the establishment of a postal system for private persons by the Emperor Diocvletian, but how long this system remained history does not say.—New York World.

Spanish Honor Exemplified.

I see that the Spaniards are vaunting their honor and chivalry and calling Americans swine. Let me tell you something about Spanish honor. Premier Sagasta recently gave a reception to the British Minister. During the evening the Minister discovered that his watch had been stolen, and he came to the reluctant conclusion that one of the grandees present was the thief. He told Sagasta of his loss. Sagasta asked for silence and explained the situation. He said that in order to save the culprit's honor the lights would be put out and the whole company would pass by the Premier's desk in the dark, and the culprit would redeem himself by placing the watch on the table. In darkness the company passed by the table. When the lights were turned on again not only was the watch not there, but a valuable silver inkstand belonging to Sagasta was missing.—

Bug's Long Imprisonment.

The wife of Dr. C. H. Emory, of Bedford, Mass., a few days ago noticed a small white speck on the top of a hard oak centre table, of which she has been the owner for six years. Yesterday the speck suddenly developed into an opening about three-eighths of an inch in diameter, out of which crawled a strange looking bug, gray in color, about one inch in length, and having several arms and legs. There is much speculation concerning the strange insect. Undoubtedly it was embodied in the top of that polished centre table ever since the table was made from the rough lumber by the manufacturer. Since the possession of the table by Dr. Emory there has been no break in its surface, for Mrs. Emory nas had it under her daily care. Dr. Emory still has the captive, and is trying to identify it.—New York Telegram.

Splitting Atoms.

By means of the microtome, slices of vegetable and animal tissues down to a thinness of about 1-1000th of an inch are obtained for microscopic study. Professor Elmer Gates of Washington has now gone further, and even slices up blood cells and microbes by cementing them in a single layer between two glass slides and cutting slides apart with a very thin blade of copper sharpened to the highest possible degree. The cells are again cut by repeating the operation, and it is claimed that slices have been made only 1-100th as thick as the thinnest produced by the microtome.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The new monitors will be the most formidable vessels of that type ever built. And there are some who think that type the most formidable ever devised.

THE PURITAN MAID.

Hangs her picture on the wall,
Where the sunbeams lightly fall;
O'er her seated at the wheel,
Softly, tenderly, they steal;
'Neath her cap so plain and white,
Shine her curls of golden light.

Face of rose leaf tinted hue,
Eyes like violets kissed by dew,
Gravely, shyly, gazing down,
Shaded by the lashes brown;
So they looked that fair spring day,
When one stole her heart away.

Leal the Stuart blood was he,
And of Roundhead lineage she,
Ere the years around her flew,
Shadows dimmed those eyes of blue;
Ere her baby girl could speak,
Death had claimed the mother meek.

Now she lies 'neath moss-decked stone,
All with lichen overgrown;
Still the letter you may see,
"Phyllis, Sixteen Fifty-three,"
There the sunbeams gently play
Round the grave of Phyllis Grey.

—Pattye L. Bletchford.

His Pleasant Interlude.

A War-Time Tale.

He rode up to the entrance of the house, and, stooping forward, rapped smartly at the door with the hilt of his sword. Then he settled himself in the saddle, whistled and looked around at the detail, blue-coated men of the Federal cavalry, sitting stolidly behind him.

He waited a few moments, and then dismounted, whistling still, his blue eyes smiling and dancing as though thirty miles over rough country, and coming on the heels of a harassing march, were but a mere bagatelle. Again he knocked, loudly, insistently. The corporal moved heavily in his hot saddle, and moistened his lips with his tongue.

In answer to the knocking the still brooding house suddenly became alive with stealthy footsteps and secretive sounds, cautious movements and discreet murmurings. The lieutenant settled his hat more jauntily and looked at his dusty boots and ragged uniform with a mournful air. Presently light footsteps came down the unseen stairs, and paused on the other side of the heavy door.

"Who is there?" The voice was so clear and sweet that the lieutenant forgot his boots and smiled again, and even the corporal paused in the act of flicking a fly from the neck of his horse.

A detail of the United States cavalry. We want rest and shelter." The lieutenant might have had hopes of something infinitely more pleasant than these common necessaries, for his voice was mellowed with a grateful deference.

"I am quite alone with my aunt," said the voice. "Shall we be safe in opening to you?"

"Madame," answered the lieutenant, swelling in his blue tunic, "we are soldiers but we are men."

The door was unbarred and thrown open. The lieutenant swept his cap from his head and bowed. He bowed with exaggerated homage, for the voice was possessed by a young girl every whit as sweet as its cadence.

"I will not say you are welcome," she said, "for you do not wear the uniform which opens our hearts." She spoke sadly, for the war had been terrible in its results for her and her friends. Everywhere the blue uniform was swarming over the Southern homesteads, into the Southern homes.

He shrugged his shoulders.

"One must wear one uniform or another," he answered. "I was born in the North. The matter is a mere accident. It may have been unfortunate for me."

"I think not," she replied, looking gravely at him, thinking of the sacrifices made and making.

"I am by no means sure," he smiled, thinking of other matters.

In another minute he went off, his cap thrust back, whistling a happy waltz refrain, to see to the housing of horses and men—horses coming first in his estimation, as befitted a cavalryman. Davis, the corporal, and the six other men of the detail swore hardly as they loosened girths in the disused stables, but the lieutenant went on whistling.

In the evening he sat with the girl and her aunt in the broad, cool dining room, smoking. He could have dispensed with the aunt, but, after all, she was silent, and knitted. Marjorie—he had discovered that her name was Marjorie, with a pleased sense of its appropriateness—was not silent and she did not knit. She sat by the low open window and talked.

He was very candid about his movements, boyish and flippant. The war had left him entirely without personal animosity against anyone.

"Why did you become a soldier?" Marjorie questioned, wonderingly, for her hatred of the Northerners was as the hatred of her kindred—very deep and very bitter.

"Oh, I don't know. Any fellow would in my position. I was a lawyer. I hated law. The war promised excitement and adventure. There you are."

"And you like it?" She looked at him narrowly. That this hateful war should be agreeable was a phase she had not yet studied.

"Yes. Why not? It gives movement. I love movement. It gives adventure. I adore adventure. It gives excitement. I worship excitement. No one can enjoy the perfection of living without the zest of an apparent chance of the other thing."

"Life and death, right and wrong, are mere matters of amusement to you?"

"Should they be anything else? I am quite willing to grant that I am fighting for a wrong cause. I have never studied the subject. I fight because I like it, and because I don't like the law."

The aunt, serious over her knitting, reproached him.

"You are bringing death and desolation on us."

He was apologetic at once.

"I'm awfully sorry. I never thought of it in that light. It has been a mere game with me—like marbles or—or billiards."

Marjorie looked at him again, but he was conscious that her attention was divided. It had been divided all the evening. There was anxiety in her eyes, even fear. He smiled to himself as he saw this, and blew fanciful clouds of smoke.

"I cannot be that. It has been the cause of my meeting with you—and with your aunt," he added, as an afterthought.

Both aunt and niece smiled, but their smiles were forced.

"You have a secret," he went on, suddenly looking out of the window. "Forgive me for speaking. I look so much of a fool that I am afraid you have not given me credit for discovering it. Some one is hiding here."

Aunt and niece started to their feet, with alarmed faces and protesting lips. He waved them courteously to their chairs.

"I have no wish to discover who he is. He may be your brother, Mistress Marjorie; he may be—again, forgive me—something nearer. I do not ask. I have no desire to know."

They sank back in their seats, staring at him with strained eyes.

"You will not——" the girl began, falteringly.

"Search for him? No, most assuredly not. I am quite happy here, smoking and—and seeing you. Another might disturb us. It is no duty of mine to be a spy. While I trespass on your hospitality I am quite deaf. I do not say that if I met him in the open, face to face, I should not attempt to kill him. I should. He would do the same to me. But now—this is a pleasant interlude."

She, the girl, looked at him with eloquent eyes.

"Sir," she said, "you are very good."

He smiled. "It will be well if I can hope that you will permit to us of the North some of the chivalry you claim for the South. I am a soldier; I am not a spy."

The aunt came forward. He saw with apprehension that her face was white with emotion, that she walked unsteadily, and that her eyes were misty.

"God bless you——" she began.

"My dear madam," he said lightly, "I am your guest. I am afraid my intrusion was a little brusque, and not altogether acceptable, but necessity gave me no choice. It is," he went on, with an easy change, "a very pleasant evening. For a week or so I think I might be very happy here, but it must be dull to pass the whole of one's life with only trees and fields and animals—a few human and many otherwise."

"That," said Marjorie, speaking for the sake of speaking, and with little thought, "is not complimentary."

His eyes darkened a little as he looked at her.

'Imagination might suggest a greater happiness, but knowledge, the knowledge of a few hours, demonstrates the futility of such a possibility."

She crimsoned quickly, shyly looking at him.

"You are gallant, sir," she smiled.

"Am I? It is rarely that the truth is gallant."

The aunt, rendered obtuse with the stress of her emotion, she broke in.

"Perhaps," said she, "some one waits and watches for you in the far North. If so, I pray that she may repay you for you kindness to us—to my niece and to me."

He smiled again, the setting sun caressing his hair into an answering gleam.

"Madam, I have met many in my life—a longer life, I think, than you imagine—but a week has wearied me of them all. I have never hoped for more than a week's brief pleasure, never even guessed its possibility, until today."

"That is sad," said the aunt.

"It has one great advantage. They may put me under the ground tomorrow, and there will be no heart left to ache."

"You talk lightly of death." Marjodie shivered as she spoke.

"It's a soldier's chance, and when one plays a game of chance one should reckon the risks."

"And you have reckoned?"

"This little expedition, which has given me the great pleasure of your acquaintance and of your aunt's, should demonstrate that. I am far in an enemy's country. The general who accepted my offer did not underrate the peril. He parted with me with a longer handshake than usual. It was quite eloquent. We are twenty miles in advance of the column."

He started then, for a slight noise arrested his attention. The two women did not hear it, and he was silent.

When the night was dark a man stole from the back of the house. He wore a uniform, and if the night had not been so dark the uniform would have been seen to have been gray. But, after all, if the night had not been dark there was no one to see it.

In the morning, early, before the dews were dry, the lieutenant bade the two women a gay farewell, and rode down the road with his men. The road lay open to the dawn before the house, and there was no screening hedge.

He laughed as he rode and waved his cap gayly. The corporal looked on in grave disapproval. Such frivolities were not in keeping with the grimness of war. The carbines were slung and the swords rested in their scabbards.

Suddenly the windows of the house were alive with rifles. Six men looked over the muzzles at the detail. Looking back at the two women, the lieutenant caught sight of the tense faces glaring over the gleaming barrels.

"Forward, lads, for your lives," he shouted.

The sudden start of the horses, the abrupt ringing of his voice, discomfited their aim. The bullets flew wide. All but one. The man who had stolen from the house in the dark had covered the lieutenant, and he smiled as the figure in blue swayed in his saddle.

"Get on, Davis!" the lieutenant cried. "I'm done for! Get on; the general must have the report."

The corporal hesitated as his lieutenant dropped, but the report was of consequence, and it was no use dying beside his officer. So he rode on with the detail.

When the woman knelt by his side, and Marjorie raised his head, the lieutenant opened his eyes.

"Don't tell him that I knew he was there," he said. "It might be unpleasant for him." He struggled with the faintness that came upon him. "It was a pleasant interlude," he added weakly, "but it is over now."

If they had told the man in the gray uniform it would not have been news. St. Louis Star.

QUAINT OLD CURACAO.

Scene of Many a Bloody Battle of the Olden Times.

Curacao, in the West Indies, is a Dutch colony, and the quaintest little island in the world. It is not bigger than the District of Columbia, but has about 40,000 inhabitants and has played an important part in the history of America. It has belonged at different times to England, Spain and Holland, and its cozy harbor has been the scene of many a bloody battle between the navies of the old world, as well as between the pirates and buccaneers that infested the Caribbean sea for two centuries. It has been for 100 years and still is an asylum for political fugitives, and many of the revolutions that rack and wreck the republics on the Spanish main are hatched under the shelter of the pretentious but harmless fortresses that guard this port. Bolivar, Santa Ana and many other famous men in Spanish-American history have lived there in exile, and until recently there was an imposing castle upon one of the hills, called Bolivar's tower. There the founder of five republics lived in banishment for several years and waited for rescue.

The houses are built in the Dutch style, exactly like those in Holland; the streets are so narrow that the people can almost shake hands through their windows with the neighbors across the way, and the walls are as thick as would be needed for a fortress. The Dutch governor lives in the solemn-looking old mansion fronting the Skattegat, or lagoon, that forms the harbor, guarded by a company of stupid-looking soldiers with a few old-fashioned cannons. The commerce of the island is of phosphates, and the government receives a revenue of $500,000 from companies that ship them away.

There is not a spring or well, or any fresh water, and the inhabitants are entirely dependent upon rain water for existence, or upon supplies brought in barrels by schooners from the Venezulean coast, ninety miles away, or upon distilled sea water. As sometimes it doesn't rain for a year or two the natural supply is worth as much as the same amount of wine or beer.

This Meteor Fell Hard.

Imbedded deep in the soil of Hiram Davis' farm near Storm's Station, Ohio, lies the remarkable meteor whose appearance was noted at Bainbridge, Washington Court House, Waverly, Jackson and many other places. That the meteor is an immense one is proved by the fact that is ploughed up nearly two acres of ground where it struck the earth, and the entrance to the cave it tunnelled out for itself is bigger around than a washtub.

It was just at noon recently that the meteor entered the atmosphere, and the fiery trail it left behind it through the heavens as it fell was seen by many persons all over this portion of the state. The noise of its rushing through the air was so great that the houses were shaken and windows rattled as far away as Cynthiana, Pike County.

It fell in a field belonging to Hiram Davis, near Storm's Station. Apparently it had not caught the rotary motion of the earth in its fall through the atmosphere, and for 200 yards or more it ploughed along the surface. Then it buried itself deep into the ground, leaving only the entrance to the hole, over four feet in diameter, behind it. Large crowds of people have visited the place since the meteor fell, and an effort will be made to dig it up.

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For Judge 7th Judicial Circuit,
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Only ten day until the election. Don't fail to cast your ballot for Hon. E. S. Lyman.

The Marion Standard of last week copied a piece of poetry written for the NEWS, entitled, "Is Life Werth the Living?" and published in our issue of June 16th, without giving us credit.

PROGRAMME

FOR THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF SHELBY COUNTY S.S. ASSOCIATION, AT CHAPEL M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, AUG. 5-6, 1898.

FRIDAY, AUG. 5, 1898.

10 A. M., Convention called to order. Devotional exercises by Rev. A. E. Burns. 1 Kings 17:1-16, God's power.

10:20, Address of Welcome by Rev. J. C. Francis.

10:30, Organization, enrollment and appointment of committees.

11:00, Study of last Sunday's lesson, by J. F. Averyt and J. R. White.

11:30, Reports from Sunday-schools.

2 P. M., Devotional exercises, Rev. W I. Sinnott. 1 Kings 18:30, 31—"The only true God."

2:30, Teachers' meeting, Rev. P. L. Abernethy and Rev. L. F. Goodwin.

3:00, Home Department, Judge Joseph Carthel.

3:30, Worship in the Sunday-school, the importance of, and how to conduct the singing. Rev. S. N. Burns and W. H. Kidd.

4:00, Reports of committees.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH.

10 A. M., Song service, I. D. Mason. Devotional exercises, Rev. F. A. Vann. 1 Kings 19:1 16, "God's way."

10:30, How shall next Sunday's lessons be taught? Adults, D. R. McMillan; Primary, Miss Minnie Allen.

2 P. M., Praver service. Rev. T. M. Wilson, J. H. Nabors. 1 Kings 21:4-16, "God forgotten."

2:30, Review of Second Quarter's lessons. E. T. Witherby.

3:00, What can be done for our county? Rev. R. Kidd, E. C. Stocum, and T. A. Houston.

3:30, What have I gained by this convention?

4:00, Adjournment.

It is earnestly desired that each Sunday-school in the county send at least three delegates. Chapel community is noted for its hospitality, and all who have an interest in the Sunday-school work are cordially invited to be present.

All delegates are requested to report at the church where the Committee on Entertainment will assign them homes.

Those expecting to go by railroad will notify by mail Rev. J. C. Francis, G. W. Nivens or Ernest Huston, Wilsonville, Ala.

J. F. AVERYT,
Chm'n. Ex. Com.

The following is an extract from a letter received from one of the Montevallo boys now in camp at Miami, Fla. The letter was written to Mr. George B. Monroe, at Aldrich:

MIAMI, FLA., July 14, 1898.

DEAR FRIEND:

I expect you will be somewhat surprised to hear from me so far away in the "Land of Flowers."

Miami is a beautiful town of about 1,200 inhabitahts, mostly Northern people. It is owned principally by General Flagler, who is worth several millions of dollars. Tropical fruits of all kinds grow here, such as cocoanuts, mangoes, sapodilloes, pineapples, etc., and fish can be caught here by the thousands in Miami river and Biscayne bay.

Our camp was already cleared up and well supplied with water and sewer pipes, so you see we are living in regular city style.

All of the boys seem delighted with their new accommodations. Your boys—Nabors, Gentry, Fancher and Cary are all enjoying fine health, and have learned to drill nicely.

Our company carries the regimental flags. R. E. H.

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MAPLESVILLE.

Maplesville is on a boom—another store will be opened in a few days.

Messrs. J. W. Graham and J. A. DuBose are now at Miami, Fla., with the First Alabama regiment.

U. C. Graham, who has been attending Massey's Business College for the past few months, has rerurned and is now in business with T. U. Crumpton.

A young couple went out for a buggy ride Monday evening, going so far until thay became aware that they were lost. Guess they were absorbed in thought.

Captain R A. Bearden is preparing for war. He will command the Maplesville Greys with the assistance of Licutenant Ensley Cooper.

Crump went to see the girls last night and reports having a stiff arm this morning. Wonder why?

Miss Lillie Savage spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. John Foshee.

Master Sam Latham has accepted a position with Dr. A. S. Woolley.

James Millstead, of Tuscaloosa, was in town Monday.

Clyde went to see his best girl Sunday, and reports having a nice time.

With the help of Mr. D. C. Savage, our Sunday-school and prayermeeting are improving to some extent.

Crump is such a champion eater he was charged extra for his dinner at the restaurant not long since.

The many friends of Miss Gertrude Woolley, the lovely and accomplished daughter of Dr. A. S. Woolley, are glad to welcome her home after a visit of several weeks to her sister at Anniston.

UNCLE TIGE.

"I think DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the finest preparation on the market for piles." So writes John C. Dunn, of Wheeling, W. Va. Try it and you will think the same. It also cures eczema and all skin diseases. F. F. Crowe & Co.

ELECTION MANAGERS.

List of Inspectors and Returning Officers for the August Election

The following are the inspectors and returning officers appointed for the August election in this county. In all instances except the first two, two of the inspectors are Democrats. In Beat 1 the second-named inspector in both boxes are Republicans. Except at Columbiana box the returning officers are Democrats;

Beat 1, Box 1—Wm. G. Parker, W. W. Albright, B. L. Moore, inspectors; Sheriff, returning officer.

Beat 1, Box 2—Jas. H. Cross, F. B. Finch. Wm. E. Seale, inspectors; Sam J. Harrell, returning officer.

Beat 2—George Garnett, Dave Merrell, W. P. Lovett, inspectors; C. C. Carden, returning officer.

Beat 3—W. H. H. Whatley, John Ingram, Wiley J. Nelson, inspectors; C. H. Field, returning officer.

Beat 4, Box 1—Jno. M. Fancher, A. J. Gentry, C. N. Pritchard, inspectors; R. T. Newton, returning officer.

Beat 4, Box 2—John Striplin, Sam Lawley, J. D. Trammell, inspectors; S. A. Bailey, returning officer.

Beat 5—Robert Atchison, James L. Harmon, James R. Bunn, inspectors; John Waddell, returning officer.

Beat 6—W. D. Lacey, L. N. Roy, J. L. Tucker, inspectors; Lon Lambert, returning officer.

Beat 7—C. P. McLane, H. C. Fulton, M. S. Wilson, inspectors; C. E. Hale returning officer.

Beat 8—N. M. Davis, Andrew Jackson, G. W. Dye, inspectors; E. S. Martin, returning officer.

Beat 9—John F. Hill, J. W. Millstead, Irwin Wingard, inspectors; George W. Taylor, returning officer.

Beat 10, Box 1—B. S. Rowe, W. E Miilender, M. M. Robertson, inspectors; Wm. Bradley, returning officer.

Beat 10, Box 2—S. K. Cross, Henry Cosper, Geo. W. Wallis, jr., inspectors; C. A. Glaze, returning officer.

Beat 11—J. E. Adams, J. S. Walton Harmon Archer, inspectors; W. A. Wilder, returning officer.

Beat 12—A. J. E. Cross, J. M. Allen, Tom Cross, inspectors; E. B. Jones, returning officer.

Beat 13—S. R. Krider, W. N. Lee, A. J. Deshazo, inspectors; C. A. Bass returning officer.

Beat 14—J. P. Kinnnett, S. H. Collins, Wm. Weldon, inspectors; R. E Collins, returning officer.

Beat 15—John W. Moore, R. M. Hollis, John R. Dyke, inspectors; Joel Falkner, returning officer.

Beat 16—E. C. Lide, J. E. Elliott, H. D. Adams, inspectors; Robt. Taylor, returning officer.

Beat 17—W. C. Denson, W. J. Dennis, Wm. Pledger, inspectors; Paul Nabors, returning officer.

Beat 18—M. M. Taylor, B. B. Campbell, John Morgan, inspectors; J. T. Davis, returning officer.

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CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor; preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., W. Lyman, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society meets at 4 p. m. on Monday after the second and fourth Sundays.

METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. I. SINNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P.—Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month.

C. F. ROBINS, C. C.
G. B. MONROE, K. of R. & S.

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A nice guitar for sale cheap at J.W. Martin's jewelry store.

Another very heavy rain fell here last Sunday afternoon.

☞When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Mr. James A. Fancher, of Belle Ellen, was in the city Sunday.

Mr. Burgess Little spent last Sunpay with his parents at Blocton.

Banks Bros. now have on hand about 150,000 brick, ready to burn.

Try a bottle of V.V. V. for that tired feeling. F. F. Crowe & Co. keep it.

Mr. James Lann, of Jasper, Ala., was in the city on business Saturday.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

When you are very warm and thirsty, go to Crowe's and get a glass of ice cold soda water.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Messrs. Adams and Davidson are off on a vacation Don't cry, girls; they are gone, but not forever.

The jug peddler paid our town a visit last week, but to our sorrow the jugs were all empty.

If you have lost a BOW, remember the church is no place to go to look or it. Catch on?

We will give twelve months subscription to the News for one bushel of wheat.

Mrs. W. A. Harvey, of Blocton, visited her sister, Mrs. F. F. Crowe. the first of the week.

Mrs. W. B. Reynolds has returned home after a month's visit to her parents at Faunsdale.

Mr. Abb Fancher has capped the stack, but one of his old girls says the cap is set for another.

Mr. Harvey Cottingham, of Burnsville, Ala., visited the family of Mr. J. D. Farrington Sunday.

We call especial attention to the advertisement of Dr. Haley, dentist, to be found in another column.

Prof. J. E. Ruffin was shaking hands with his many Montevallo friends yesterday. All were glad to see him.

Mr. Isham Arnold was in town with watermelons Monday, and kindly remembered the News office. Thanks.

Mr. J. N. Campbell, of Blocton, passed through Montevallo Tuesday, enroute to Atlanta to attend the C. V. Reunion.

Meroney & Co. are receiving a lot of fine up-to-date goods, and don't you forget that Charley Meroney will keep in the swim.

We were in error last week in stating that Mr. C. C. Vandegrift was visiting Birmingham and Branchville. It is Mrs. Vandegrift.

The many friends of Miss Lucile Fancher gladly welcome her return from Clanton, where she has been on a visit of several days.

That ice cream Abb Fancher missed the other night makes the editor hot and thirsty to think of. Never mind, Abb, you'll get over it.

Several of the young ladies paid the new brick yard a visit last week to see them make pressed brick, and to see—the workman, of course.

Quite a number of drummers were in town last week. Montevallo is an important point; she needs a wholesale grocery house at home.

Dr. J. D Trammell, of Gurnee, was in town Monday, and gave us a pleasant call. He left a "wheel" with the editor for a year's subscription.

Mr. John H. Draper and wife left last Friday for Centreville, where Mr. Draper will assist in the erection of H. C. & W. B. Reynolds' new store.

Mr. N. T. Eddings was in town Monday, and left a reminder with the editor for the News. Mr. Eddings is one of Shelby's most successful farmers.

Mr. John McMath left Sunday for Talladega Springs, where he will recuperate for a short while. Wonder if he will visit the Magic City before he returns?

Box Car Billie (W. W.) the noted tourist, was in town one night last week, and he attended services at the Baptist church. He was looking well, but somewhat sunburned.

WANTED.—Two mules four feet six inches high, weighing about 850 pounds, from five to seven years old. Will buy or trade for larger mules. Address G. F. Peter, Maylene, Ala.

Mr. Will Harrison left Tuesday for Centreville, where he will open up a livery, feed and sale stable. His many friends wish him much success.

Some of our boys are good singers, for thus they sing:

I've a secret in my note, Sweet Marie.
And a boy will bring it, love, to thee;
'Tis only won't you—kee, hee, hee!
Go to—lone Mi-Mi wid me?

Thousands of persons have been cured of piles by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It heals promptly and cures eczema and all skin diseases. It gives immediate relief. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Rev. P. L. Abernethy requests us to ask all of the young people to meet at the Methodist church to-morrow (Friday) night, for the purpose of organizing an Epworth League.

Miss Maria Hawkins, of Elyton, who is visiting her aunt, Mrs. French Nabors, was very ill Tuesday night and yesterday, but we are glad to hear that she is better this morning.

Miss Virgie Boseman, of Jones' Switch, Ala., a pupil of the Girls' Industrial School last session, will be, we are proud to learn, President Reynolds' private secretary next session.

Bob Moore, of LaFayette, Ind., says that for constipation he has found DeWitt's Little Early Risers to be perfect. They never gripe. Try them for stomach and liver troubles. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Messrs. A. H. Plumb, of Emporia, Kan., son of Senator Plumb, and Lyman O. Pelley, of Omaha, Neb., passed through town Sunday enroute to Maylene. These gentlemen are closing up the business of the old Brierfield company.

E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50,000 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinate sores. F. F. Crowe & Co.

We regret to learn that Major Alex. A. Wall, the clever proprietor of the St. George hotel, will return to Oakman, Ala., the first of September. Major Wall has made many friends during his short residence in our town, who wish him unbounded success where'er his lot may be cast.

Dr. Lipscomb, pastor of the First Baptist church of Eufaula, assisted Rev. M. P. Reynolds in conducting the meeting at the Baptist church last week. The doctor preached eloquent and forcible sermons at every service, and while there were no conversions, still, a great deal of good was done, and people resolved to do better.

Morgan Bros. are receiving the largest stock of goods ever brought to Montevallo, and at such prices that will sell them in a hurry. You will find it a pleasure to trade with George Morgan, Surge West, George Moore, Nat Nabors or Charley Pritchard. Either of these gentlemen will sell you more goods for the least money in less time, and give you better bargains, than you can get elsewhere. You will find this combination hard to beat. Call and see for yourself.

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DRY VALLEY.

Laying by crops and eating watermelons is the topic of the day.

Kirk Sessions has declined going to Cuba, and says he is "going to get married."

Mr. M C. Banks and wife, of Montevallo, visited relatives in the Valley last Sunday.

A protracted meeting will begin at Sessions Chapel next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. J. G. Bryan, of Montevallo, spent last Saturday and Sunday with friends in the Valley.

Mrs. Harriet Butler, who fell from a porch several weeks ago and slightly dislocated her hip joint, is improving.

Rev. T. F. Sessions, who has been visiting home folk in the Valley for several weeks, left on last Saturday for New Mexico, where he has accepted a call to the ministry.

Some of our citizens attended the series of meetings that have been in progress in Montevallo recently, and they express themselves as having enjoyed the good sermons replete with gospel truths, and the good music rendered by the choir.

The long continued drouth in the spring and early summer blighted the prospects, to some extent, of a harvest next fall; but the refrigerant showers that have been falling recently have replenished vegetation, and our people are very much elated over the prospect of an abundant harvest.

SUBSCRIBER.

ALDRICH.

The mines are working every day.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich reached home Tuesday morning.

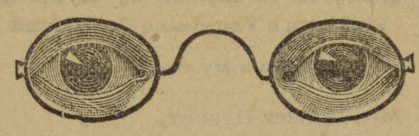
Genial Charley Pritchard was in town Monday shaking hands with his many friends.

Messrs. Jim Fancher, of Belle Ellen, and J. R. Broadhead, of Powderly, were in town Sunday visiting friends

Mrs. A Davis, accompanied by her three children, left on last Saturday for a visit to her mother, who lives near Centreville.

SAM SLICK.

FOR SALE.—A good typewriter for $25.00. Apply at the News office.



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A Philippine Heroine.

One of the Philippine insurgent leaders is a beautiful woman whose life seems to be charmed. She has often rushed bravely into the very teeth of death from guns and cannon, but has never been wounded. Frequently we see people in this country who live so long that their lives seem charmed also, but the only charm about it is that they keep up their strength and vitalize their blood with that celebrated remedy, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

A woman's idea of wrong is something a man does that would be a mistake if she did it.

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New Peril for Firemen.

Electrolysis is said to be attacking the steel framework of the high buildings at Indianapolis, Ind., which are built on the lines of electric surface railroads. Engineering experts, it is stated, are investigating the matter, and will shortly make a report on the subject to the city council. It would thus seem as if a new peril were added to the manifold risks already attendant on the life of a fireman, who, if this is true, may be called upon any day to enter a building, which by electrolytic action has been rendered more liable than ever to collapse and bury all who are fighting a fire within its walls.—Fire and Water.

About Black Diamonds.

Diamonds may be black, as well as white, and some are blue, red, brown, yellow, green, pink and orange, but there is no violet diamond, although in addition to amethyst, there are sapphires, rubies and garnets of that color.

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"I sincerely thank you for the good advice you gave me and for what your medicine has done for me."

"Cannot Praise It Enough."

Miss GERTIE DUNKIN,
Franklin, Neb., writes.

"I suffered for some time with painful and irregular menstruation, falling of the womb and pain in the back. I tried physicians, but found no relief.

"I was at last persuaded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and cannot praise it enough for what it has done for me. I feel like a new person, and would not part with your medicine. I have recommended it to several of my friends."

WIT AND HUMOR.

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

SUNSET DREAMS.

The artist sees in the sunset glow
The tints that his brush can never know;
And the poet sees in the ruddy flame
The opening blooms of a wreath of fame.
From his cheerless hovel the miser old
Sees in its beams his longed-for gold;
And the maiden sees in the orb of fire
The crowning wreath of her heart's desire—
The golden sprockets and burnished steel
Of the glowing disk of her favorite wheel.

A HAPPY CONDITION.

Mattie: "Were you ever in love?"

Helen: "Yes, with myself."

Mattie: "Well, you never had any rivals to worry about, anyhow."

EXTRA PRECAUTION.

Young Lady: "Oh, I hope the train will not be struck by lightning!"

Passenger: "Don't be afraid. There are two conductors aboard."

A COMPROMISE.

"Is this our train?" said one waiting passenger to another.

"No, it belongs to the company, but we'll take the cars."

BOTH SLOW.

Dr. Jalap.—I hate to speak of it. Mr. Stikkum, but seeing that it is more than a year since I attended you and the bill is still standing, I must say that you are rather slow pay.

Stikkum.—But you must remember it was a slow fever I had.

EASILY SATISFIED.

Willie had done an errand for Uncle Frank and received simply a kind "Thank you."

"Oh, I don't care for any thanks," said Willie. "I'll be satisfied with your jack-knife."

THE BOY GOT A RAISE.

"See here, my boy, you musn't hum at your work."

"Why, sir, you wouldn't check the hum of revised industry, would you!"

THE VICTIM'S REVENGE.

First Doctor—Well, I've lost old Yellowboys!

Second Doctor—You didn't expect him to recover, did you?

First Doctor—No; but I didn't think he'd die.

SHE HAD THE MONEY.

"Say, I thought you said Miss Scaranyellow had money in her own right?"

"Well, that's the hand I've seen her carrying her pocketbook in."

AMBIGUOUS.

Young Wife (proudly): George always says there's no cooking like mine.

Uncle Crusty (with a disdainful smile): Does he? Well, he's about right there, poor chap.

POINTS OF RESEMBLANCE.

"Now, don't say you went off with my umbrella because it had a hook handle just like yours."

"No; I went off with it because it has a silk cover better than mine."

JUST AS BAD.

"Scientists say American people are killing themselves with overwork."

"I don't know; I've broken down my constitution trying to keep out of work."

A COMPLETE RETIREMENT.

"Is your friend out of politics?"

"Out of politics!" echoed Senator Sorghum. "I should say he was. And that isn't the worst of it: He's out of money."

SHE SAT ON HIM.

"Mamie," said the father, who looked as innocent as he could, "I accidentally overheard some of your conversation with that young man in the parlor last evening. Why didn't you sit right down on him when he said you could begin economizing by both using the same chair?"

"I did, papa," and she also looked as innocent as she could.

ALWAYS A KICK.

Banks—I see that somebody has invented a sail which will enable a bicycle to run before the wind at the rate of fifteen miles an hour.

Harper—Gee! Wouldn't that come in handy if somebody could turn in now and invent a contrivance of some kind to make the wind occasionally blow in the direction a person wants to ride?

HE WAS ANXIOUS.

Promoter.—You needn't be a bit afraid; the company is perfectly safe.

The Lamb.—Oh, I've no doubt about the company being safe enough, I was thinking about the safety of my money.

WHAT O' THAT?

"Do you think your sister likes to have me come here, Johnny?"

"You bet. You take her to the theater and bring her chocolates."

"I'm glad I can make her happy."

"Yes, and the feller what she's engaged to don't mind it, either, for it saves him that much money towards housekeeping."

BETTER THAN POETRY.

"Well, poor old Parrington ha struck it rich at last."

"What, Parrington, the poet."

"Yes: he's just made a fortune."

"Wrote a great poem, I s'pose. I always said he had it in him."

"No; he wrote a few fool verses that a friend of his set to music. Now it's the popular song of the day."

IF SHE WERE A MAN.

"Oh," she suddenly exclaimed, "I wish I were a man."

"What would you do?" he asked.

"I'll not say what I would do, but there is one thing I will confess that I wouldn't do."

"And that is—?"

"I wouldn't sit around as if I had handcuffs on when I happened to be alone with a girl."

ENJOYING THE CONTRAST.

Husband.—It seems to me that you come to my office a good deal more than there is any necessity for.

Wife.—I can't help it, dear; your manners in the office are so much nicer than they are at home, that I like to enjoy the contrast.

LAW ABIDING.

"You should always boil your water," said the solicitous friend.

"Yes," replied the man who uses a well in a surface-drainage neighborhood. "And get arrested for cruelty to animals!"

A Sprained Ankle.

A false step, a fall or a sudden wrench is very often the cause of that painful straining of the fibrous tissue commonly known as sprain. The ankle is, as a rule, the victimized member, and many are the tedious hours for which the careless dispenser of orange peel can be held accountable. There are several methods of treating a sprained ankle, one of which is strapping the leg from ankle to knee with adhesive plaster. The plaster is cut in strips about an inch in width and of sufficient length to encircle the leg to within half an inch, the space being left to insure circulation. This treatment can only be applied before the leg begins to swell, therefore within a very short time of the accident. Recovery by means of the ordinary treatment, that of elevating the foot and having resource to hot applications may be greatly accelerated by scientific massage. By proper manipulation the swelling can be reduced and the pain lessened in a very short time. If, however, the service of one who thoroughly understands giving the treatment cannot be obtained, simple rubbing will often give relief. The rubbing must always be up, not down, and the hands of the operator as well as the wounded limb should be made thoroughly antiseptic before any friction is applied, less the secretions of the skin being rubbed into the pores should be reabsorbed and inflammation increased in the strained tissues.—New York Ledger.

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I have always been a quarter of an hour before my time and it has made a man of me.—Nelson.

Economy is half the battle of life: it is not so hard to earn money as to spend it well.—Spurgeon.

It is as easy to call back a stone thrown from the hand as to call back the word that is spoken.—Emerson.

A closed heaven represents the blackest misery that humanity is capable of suffering.—Rev. W. S. Cassmore.

It is the vain endeavor to make ourselves what we are not that has strewn history with so many broken purposes and lives left in the rough.—Lowell.

Beware of stumbling over a propensity which easily besets you from not having your time fully employed. Do instantly whatever is to be done and take the hours of recreation after business, never before it.—Sir Walter Scott.

The law of nature is that a certain quantity of work is necessary to produce a certain quantity of good of any kind whatever. If you want knowledge, you must toil for it; if food, you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it.—Ruskin.

If a man has no regard for time of other men, why should he have their money? What is the difference between taking a man's hour and taking his $5? There are many men to whom each hour of the business day is worth more than $5.—Horace Greeley.

On the River of Egypt.

"Assouan is the southern frontier of Egypt, the terminus of the lower Nile. And it looks like a terminus. We came to it on a lazy afternoon," writes G. W. Stevens, the well-known African explorer, "too late for coffee, too early for tea. The Nile, which had been lazy, too, began to show signs of a current. We tied up by a bank of yellow sand; in front of us, to the left, was a long line of palms with white houses peeping from behind them—Assouan. Beyond it a lofty rise of rock—at least, it looks lofty in Egypt—met the elevation of a rocky, tree-grown island—Elephantine. Between the two came down the river, still fretting from the Cataract. It narrowed between the two elbows of rock, and turned a corner, so that it looked as if Assouan were not only the end of Egypt, but the end of the Nile.

"'In a quarter of an hour I was in a boat, amid my packages, pulling away up stream for my friend's dahabeah. Lucky are the friends of my friend, and his welcome always gives you to believe he came to this particular corner expressly to meet you. Now I was to live a couple of nights aboard his dahabeah. I had seen the sort of comfort in which he sends you up the Nile in a party; now for the luxury when he gives you a dahabeah to yourself.

"The six leather-skinned rowers took hold of their clumsy oars, one hand like a cap over the butt; swung them out by the loop-of-rope rowlocks, and bent forward. As the oars took the water a seventh leather-skinned, squatting idly in the bows, suddenly set up a nasal wail. I knew it at once—Arab singing; but to my horror the whole crew joined in full-throated. For half a dozen strokes they howled, and then set up one strident staccato 'a-a-ah!' which is the cry they use in this country to remind shirking camels and donkeys of their duty. Then for another six strokes they howled; then a-a-ah-d again to keep themselves up to their work."—London Mail.

A White City.

There could not possibly be a whiter city than Cadiz, unless it were built of snow. As you near the coast you see in front of you a white mass, which appears to be floating upon the water. The first thought of a foreigner is that he is in sight of an iceberg. —New York Telegram.

Stone in Her Stomach.

From the Gazette, Blandinsville, Ill.

The wife of the Rev. A. R. Adams, pastor of the Bedford Christian Church at Blandinsville, Ill., was for years compelled to live a life of torture from disease. Her case baffled the physicians, but to-day she is alive and well, and tells the story of her recovery as follows:

"About six years ago," said Mrs. Adams, "I weighed about 140 pounds, but my health began to fail and I lost flesh. My food did not agree with me and felt like a stone in my stomach. I began to bloat all over until I thought I had dropsy.

"I had pains and soreness in my left side which extended clear across my back and also into the region of my heart. During these spells a hard ridge would appear in the left side of my stomach and around the left side.

"These attacks left me sore and exhausted. All last summer I was so nervous that the children laughing and playing nearly drove me wild. I suffered also from female troubles and doctored with ten different physicians without receiving any help.

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"My husband having read in the newspaper of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, induced me to try them. I began taking them last November but experienced no relief until I had taken six boxes. I am now taking the eleventh box and have been greatly benefited.

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Beckford as a Mimic.

Sir Charles Murray is made, in his memoirs, to tell his own story about Beckford, author of the once famous "Vatherk:" Beckford and his daughter possessed extraordinary vocal gifts. The father took it into his head to "practice in a back room, the shrill cry of a peacock." He had noticed that when one peacock screamed "another on the opposite side of the house generally screamed in defiance." At last, believing himself proficient, "he gave his peacock cry," hiding himself behind a tree.

To his great delight the peacock on the opposite side of the lawn screamed defiantly. Immediately after this, which occurred just before breakfast, he came into the breakfast room, saying with triumph to his daughter:

"And Susan, the other peacock answered me."

To his great annoyance, instead of congratulating him on his success, his daughter only burst into a loud fit of laughter. Rather provoked at this, he said:

"Well, I think you might have congratulated me."

And then though still hardly able to speak for laughing, she said:

"Why Papa, I was the peacock that answered."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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About Russian Soldiers.

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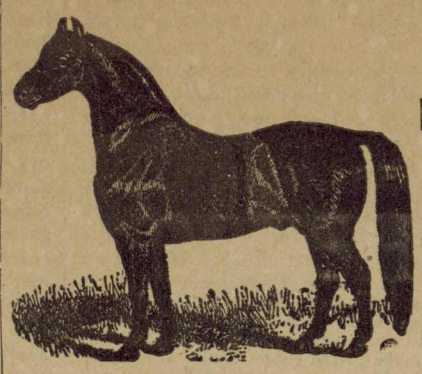

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An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

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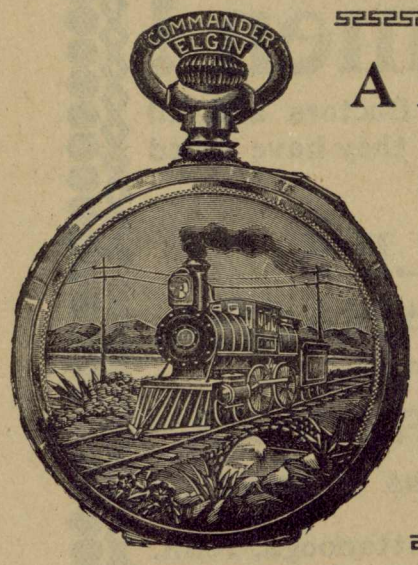

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THE CALL OF THE BUGLES.

The bugle call has sounded; it's "Forward —march!" and then
The shouting of the captains and the charging of the men!
The storming of the ramparts—the victory—the retreat,
And April rains fall crimson on the hills and valleys sweet!

The bugle call has sounded; it's "Forward —march!" and then
Some shall sigh their farewells, and meet no more again.
The flag shall ripple victory, or droop in dread defeat,
And April rains fall crimson on the hills and valleys sweet!

The bugle call has sounded, and forth they fare to fight;
But, 'neath the stars—the flag's red bars, are faces cold and white.
And some shall come in glory; but hearts in vain shall beat
Through long—long years of loneliness, for unreturning feet.

The bugle call has sounded; the storm is in the sky,
And one shall live for Liberty, and one for her shall die,
And farewells fall from trembling lips—from hearts no more to meet,
And the rains of April redden on the hills and valleys sweet.

—Frank L. Stanton.

"Th'ow my knapsack on my back,
My gun on top my shoulder;
I gwine ter march ter ol' Key Wes'
Ter fight dem Spanish sojer."

—F. L. Stanton.

Annual Report of the Girls' Industrial School of Alabama.

Hon. John O. Turner, Superintendent of Education, Montgomery, Alabama:

My Dear Sir—

I herewith respectfully submit for your consideration the following report of the Girls' Industrial School of Alabama:

Number of pupils enrolled, session of 1897-8,	368
Number of pupils in following departments:	
Mathematics,	328
English,	346
Pedagogy,	92
Stenography,	65
Typewriting,	74
Telegraphy,	46
Art,	85
Music,	184
Scientific Cooking.	285
Dressmaking,	248
Science,	80
Millinery,	120
Number of Graduates,	33
Number Male Teachers Employed,	1
" Female " "	20
Number Counties Represented.	51
Salaries of President and Teachers,	$11,022 90
Amount Expended in Permanent Improvements,	$11,279 38
State Appropriation Per Annum,	15,000 00
Incidental Fees from Industrial Departments,	$1,838 00
Total Resources of the School this Session,	$16,838 00
Total Appropriation from State to date,	$45,000 00
Value of School Property,	46,279 00

595 pupils have been onrolled during the two sessions of the school.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Since my last report one wing of our new dormitory building has been completed and furnished, and was occupied during the past session by nearly one hundred pupils. It is equipped with steam heat and water works. There has been added to the school building two brick wings, each sixty feet long and twenty-six feet wide, giving us eight new class rooms. We also have a new study hall, which accommodates about three hundred and twenty pupils. With these increased facilities we have been able to accomplish more and better work than heretofore. For lack of means we will not be able to add but little in the way of improvement for the coming session. We greatly need increased appropriations in order that we may finish the dormitory, increase the number of class rooms, and do much other needed work. The outlook for the school is very flattering. The great good it is accomplishing seems to be appreciated by our people. The practical results of the school has been fully demonstrated. The success in every department for the short time it has been in operation has not been surpassed by any school within my knowledge. It is my opinion, judging from the applications already made, we will have as many pupils as we can accommodate during the coming session.

The girls in the dressmaking and millinery departments collected for work done and goods sold during the past session over two thousand dollars. Scarcely any of these had ever earned a dollar previous to their entrance to this school. This did not prevent them from continuing their literary studies.

It has been my earnest endeavor to use the appropriations made to this institution in such a way as to give the greatest benefit direct to the people. With this end in view I have arranged so as to make the sum of $87.00 cover the cost of expenses for the entire session. This covers board, tuition, laundry, fuel, lights, attendance and the free use of all text books in the school. I have visited nearly all schools of similar character throughout the United States, and have not found any whose methods of instructions are better suited to our conditions, and certainly none whose expenses are so low. A handsomely illustrated catalogue displaying the operations of the school is now ready for distribution.

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ELECTION MANAGERS.

List of Inspectors and Returning Officers for the August Election

The following are the inspectors and returning officers appointed for the August election in this county. In all instances except the first two, two of the inspectors are Democrats. In Beat 1 the second-named inspector in both boxes are Republicans. Except at Columbiana box the returning officers are Democrats;

Beat 1, Box 1—Wm. G. Parker, W. W. Albright, B. L. Moore, inspectors; Sheriff, returning officer.

Beat 1, Box 2—Jas. H. Cross, F. B. Finch. Wm. E. Seale, inspectors; San J. Harrell, returning officer.

Beat 2—George Garnett, Dave Merrell, W. P. Lovett, inspectors; C. C. Carden, returning officer.

Beat 3—W. H. H. Whatley, John Ingram, Wiley J. Nelson, inspectors; C. H. Field, returning officer.

Beat 4, Box 1—Jno. M. Fancher, A. J. Gentry, C. N. Pritchard, inspectors; R. T. Newton, returning officer.

Beat 4, Box 2—John Striplin, Sam Lawley, J. D. Trammell, inspectors; S. A. Bailey, returning officer.

Beat 5—Robert Atchison, James L. Harmon, James R. Bunn, inspectors; John Waddell, returning officer.

Beat 6—W. D. Lacey, L. N. Roy, J. L. Tucker, inspectors; Lon Lambert, returning officer.

Beat 7—C. P. McLane, H. C. Fulton, M. S. Wilson, inspectors; C. E. Hale returning officer.

Beat 8—N. M. Davis, Andrew Jackson, G. W. Dye, inspectors; E. S. Martin, returning officer.

Beat 9—John F. Hill, J. W. Millstead, Irwin Wingard, inspectors; George W. Taylor, returning officer.

Beat 10, Box 1—B. S. Rowe, W. E. Millender, M. M. Robertson, inspectors; Wm. Bradley, returning officer.

Beat 10, Box 2—S. K. Cross, Henry Cosper, Geo. W. Wallis, jr., inspectors; C. A. Glaze, returning officer.

Beat 11—J. E. Adams, J. S. Walton Harmon Archer, inspectors; W. A. Wilder, returning officer.

Beat 12—A. J. E. Cross, J. M. Allen, Tom Cross, inspectors; E. B. Jones, returning officer.

Beat 13—S. R. Krider, W. N. Lee, A. J. Deshazo, inspectors; C. A. Bass, returning officer.

Beat 14—J. P. Kinnett, S. H. Collins, Wm. Weldon, inspectors; R. E. Collins, returning officer.

Beat 15—John W. Moore, R. M. Hollis, John R. Dyke, inspectors; Joel Falkner, returning officer.

Beat 16—E. C. Lide, J. E. Elliott, H. D. Adams, inspectors; Robt. Taylor, returning officer.

Beat 17—W. C. Denson, W. J. Dennis, Wm. Pledger, inspectors; Paul Nabors, returning officer.

Beat 18—M. M. Taylor, B. B. Campbell, John Morgan, inspectors; J. T. Davis, returning officer.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

If it is daring the world wants, America can supply it. Daring rarely loses its life. Americans know it.

The showing of our foreign commerce, both in agricultural products and manufactures, is exceedingly gratifying.

Russia is fully alive to the necessity of interoceanic canal communication. She is now preparing to connect the Baltic and Black Seas.

The Kansas City (Mo.) Times says: If this is not a war for revenge why should so many amateur brass bands be sent to Cuba.

The pictures of Ensign Powell, who followed Hobson with the launch, make him look like a Bryn Mawr College girl, but just now it is safer to judge men by their acts than by their looks.

The total output of coal in the United States last year amounted to 198,250,000 short tons, with an aggregate value of $198,100,000. This is an increase of three per cent. over the previous year.

The three big battleships lately authorized by Congress will be named the Maine, the Ohio and the Missouri. It is obviously the purpose of the Navy Department that the Maine shall never be forgotten.

Whenever the United States asks for $200,000,000 at 3 per cent. interest we may be sure that eight or ten times the amount will be offered by our own people. Spain is hawking her 7 per cent. bonds throughout Europe and is glad to get 30 cents on the dollar for them at home or abroad.

Cuba is known in history under several names. The first was Antilla; then Juana, after a Spanish prince; Fernandina came third, followed by Santiago and the Isle of Ave Maria. The original Indian name, Cubanacan, signifying "where gold is found," was finally adopted, and usage shortened it to the first two syllables.

H. W. Collingwood has taken a census of the hens of the United States. He figures out the chickens of the country at 375,000,000, and their product in 1897 at 14,400,000,000 eggs, of a value of $165,000,000, while poultry sales realized $125,000,000 more, making a total value of the hen crop $290,000,000, or more than those of either the wheat or cotton yields.

The managers of the telephone company operating the system at Versailles, France, hold that the expression "Hello!" used in response to a call is impolite. The operators have been instructed to ask the subscriber who rings up the central office: "What do you want?" It is customary among Americans to say "yes." It carries well and it is much more elegant than "Hello."

There are numerous touches of originality surrounding the plans of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha but none more uniquely clever and characteristic than the composite picture of the womanly beauty of the West, which is to be reproduced on the official medal. Forty-four of the handsomest women of the Western States, illustrating the strongest types of Western womanhood, were selected by competent judges, and the result shows a strong, handsome face.

The increase of German trade with Belgium at the expense of France and Great Britain is yearly becoming more noteworthy. In 1897 Belgium exported to France goods to the value of $71,000,000, while her exports to England amounted to $66,500,000, and to Germany no less than $77,500,000. In the same year Belgium imported from France goods to the value of $74,000,000, from England to the value of $48,250,000, and from Germany to the value of $50,000,000.

The Russian government has assigned $10,000,000 for the purchase of locomotives for the Russian State railways during the current year. A large number of these will have to be ordered abroad, as the Russian works, which are already full up with orders, cannot turn out more than 1,000 per annum at the most. In addition 400 locomotives have been ordered for the Siberian Railway, and 100 more will be ordered this year, while $750,000 is to be spent upon rolling stock on this line.

Kaiser Wilhelm's latest discovery of a weapon for the preservation and extension of his empire is represented in the theatre. The playhouse, he declares, if properly directed along the lines of his creed as to "the divine right of kings," could be made "an immense power in my hands." The Kaiser has manifestly not yet reached the same conclusion regarding the church, since it is less than a fortnight since he arbitrarily limited sermons by all court chaplains to fifteen minutes. The play's the thing wherein to catch the conscience of the king.

During the decade from 1880 to 1890 speeds of 15 to 16 knots were generally accepted as standard speeds for battleships the world over, comments the Engineering News. At the present time speeds of 17 to 19 knots are equally accepted as the standard for battleships by the principal naval powers. Not one of these powers would think at the present time of building first-class battleships for any lower speed. To do so would not only result in a vessel of obsolete type, but would seriously injure the naval prestige of any power.

France, in the persons of the World's Fair authorities, has paid American scientists a marked compliment in asking them for proposals to light the exposition. We do not regard this as a feature of a general appeal for bids, but as a tribute to the superior excellence of American devices for electric illumination. This country has always been ahead of all others in electrical work. It was an American, Franklin, who first brought lightning to harness; another American, Morse, who invented the telegraph, and another who made the telephone what it is. So far as electric lighting goes Europe yields to our facility in providing the ways and means. We do what is needed most cheaply, most thoroughly and with the most variety of method.

There is a growing interest in the subject of physical training in the public schools, particularly in Massachusetts. A pertinent report on the matter, recently presented to the School Board of Brookline by a committee of physicians, criticises present methods as disjointed and incomplete. To be effective, the committee says, physical training should be so ordered that increasing demands should be made upon the strength, intelligence and self-control of the pupils as they pass from the lower to the higher grades of the school system. To this end there should be proper apparatus and competent teachers, such as may be found in most of the European cities of even the second and third class. Elaborately equipped gymnasiums are not essential, as the desired object can be satisfactorily accomplished by placing adjustable apparatus in the large assembly halls which which it is customary to supply all school buildings.

What Gems Will Do.

Special properties have always been assigned to gems and one old writer gravely states that an amulet of sapphires will expel gout or ague and endow the wearer with courage; one of emeralds strengthens the eyes and helps a man to wealth; the agate gives eloquence and procures the favor of princes; chalcedony makes the wearer lucky in law and is of force against the evils arising from melancholy; topaz will restore the insane to reason; coral neutralizes the spell of witches, especially of those black and midnight hags who delight in pinching sleeping babies in their cradles. This explains why, even to this day, coral chains and pins are bought for infants.—New York Journal.

More Timber Than Gold.

The value of all the gold, silver, copper, iron, coal and lead mined every year in America is exceeded by the products of the forests. Even the combined wheat and cotton crop is less in value than the forest product.

Evidence Produced.

"Prisoner," said the court, "you have been arrested as a suspicious character. You appear to have no visible means of support." Then his wife stepped forth and held up her hands, after which there was nothing to do but to discharge him.—Chicago News.

What will Become of China?

None can foresee the outcome of the quarrel between foreign powers over the division of China. It is interesting to watch the going to pieces of this ancient but unprogressive race. Many people in America are also going to pieces because of dyspepsia, constipation, blood, liver and stomach diseases. We are living too fast, but strength, vigor and good health can be retained if we keep off and cure the above diseases with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

In a recent book on China the author says that Chinese burglars are difficult to catch, as they oil their bodies all over and twist their pigtails into bunches stuck full of needles.

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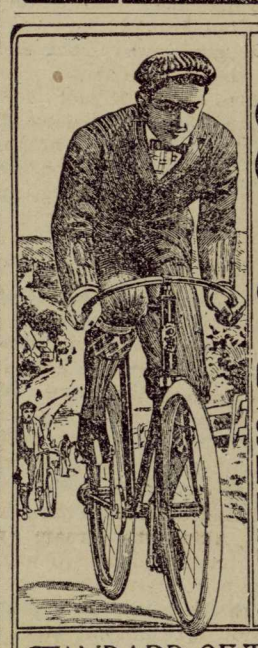

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LIVING ON MONKEY MEAT.

A Story Told by an American of Six Months in Oaxaca.

Living in Mexico is often a disastrous experience to the foreigner who is not acquainted with localities and customs. In the case of John Bascon and his companion, an Englishman, named Martin Hayes, their experience was such, but it was also interesting. In conversation with Mr. Bascon that gentleman stated the following to a reporter:

"Not long ago I came up from Guatemala with an Englishman named Martin Hayes, and we had three burros laden with goods. We prospected all along the line to Tonelado, and stopped one week with an Indian at Tehuantepec. While there we learned that in the district up to Tonelado there was plenty of gold, as another Englishman had passed through there with $8,000 which he had panned out at a certain point somewhere in the region of San Pablo, in Oaxaca. We traced the gold along the streams for sixty miles, and reached as far as San Miguel. We were very hungry by this time, having run short of provisions, and, going across the mountains, were told that we should be careful as banditti were numerous. Soon after two men met us not far from San Miguel, and they both had rifles. They ordered us to halt, but I pulled a revolver and took their guns away from them and marched them on in front of us. When we arrived at San Miguel one of them entered a complain before the Jese Politico charging us with holding them up, but the Jese knew the men too well to listen to their story, and the result is one of them is still in jail at that place.

"When we left San Miguel we secured a mozo to guide us to where the Englishman referred to found his gold, but when we got there the mozo would not stay, as it was known the Englishman had returned and died there. We found his skeleton, with the legs and arms eaten off, and the mozo, being fearful he would see the ghost of the dead, left us to ourselves. We went across a river and camped in the adjacent woods. Along the stream we prospected for gold, and in two weeks we found gold which went about twenty-five cents to the pan. We remained there about six months, and all that time we lived on monkey meat and green bananas, and both too, without salt. Just think of it! Nothing but monkeys, and occasionally a fowl or two, and not a tortilla or common hot cake. Well sir, my partner, Martin Hayes, of London, England, died four months after from the privations suffered during that time, and I don't suppose his wife and family ever heard of it. But we got some gold all right, and monkey meat would have been good enough for me if we had only had some salt."

Philadelphia Dog Ambulance.

An ambulance built especially for dogs and small animals, and the only one of its kind in the world, has just been put in use in the veterinary department of the University of Pennsylvania. The exterior of the palace car dog wagon is decorated with a vignette of a grand-looking St. Bernard and the inside is covered with removable antiseptic pads to guard against contagious diseases.

In order to avoid belligerent encounters between the injured four-footed patients of this traveling hospital it has been provided with movable slides so that the interior can be divided into various sized compartments. It contains also cages attached to the top and sides for pet birds and poultry. The plans for the ambulance were drawn by Dr. John W. Adams and they called for the best of material and the springs provided reduce all jarrings to a minimum.—New York Mail and Express.

According to the reports of a Canadian traveller who has lived two years in the far Northwest, there are still in that country, near Peace River, at least four herds of buffalo, numbering two thousand in all.

A Wonderful Clock.

In one of the town halls in a Japanese treaty port there is a remarkable time-piece. It is contained in a handsome frame, three feet wide and five feet long. It represents a noonday landscape, very cleverly carried out. In the foreground plum and cherry trees appear in bloom, while in the rear a hill is to be seen, from which flows a pretty cascade, imitated in crystal. From this cascade flows a tiny stream, which wends its way between rocks and islands and finaly loses itself in a stretch of woodland. In a miniature sky a golden sun turns on a silver wire, striking the hours on a silver gong as it passes. Each hour is marked by a creeping tortoise. A bird of rich plumage warbles at the close of the hour, and, as the warbling ceases, a mouse suddenly makes its appearance, and, scampering over the hill to the garden, is soon lost to view Altogether it is certainly a wonderful piece of mechanism.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Portraits of Harvard Law School.

After acting and persistent efforts, covering a period of about fifteen years Mr. John H. Arnold, the librarian of the Harvard Law School, has practically completed a very fine collection of portraits of English and American jurists. All of thee portraits, of which by far the larger number are engravings, have been classified and hung on the walls of the lecture rooms in Austin Hall. This collection is held to be the most extensive and valuable in America, and is said to be superior to any public collection in England. With the exception of a very few of the portraits, which have been given, they have all been purchased from the Law School funds, and many of them have been personally selected by Mr. Arnold in America and England.—The Boston Transcript.

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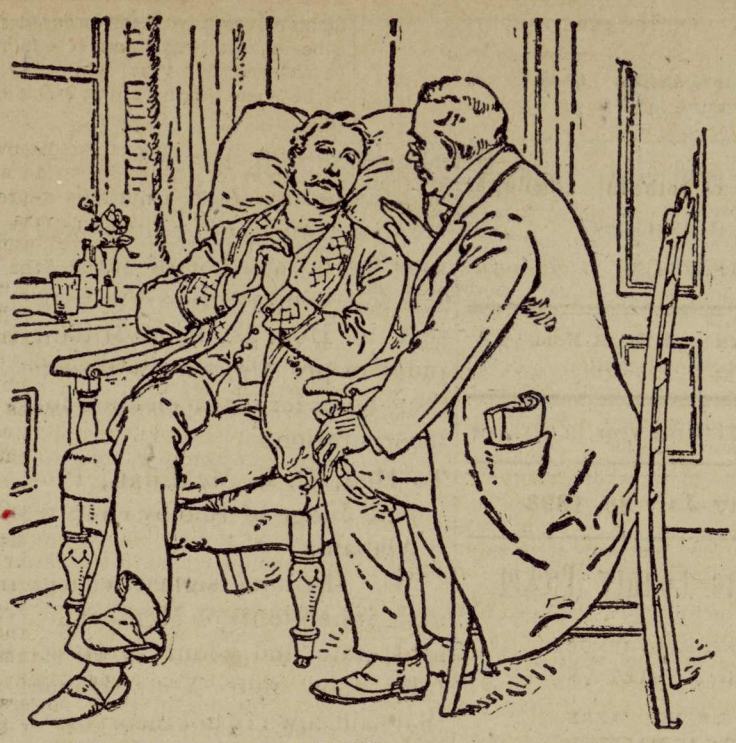

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of Calhoun.

For Judge 7th Judicial Circuit,
GEORGE E. BREWER,
of Talladega.

W. F. Aldrich and A. P. Longshore spoke to a small crowd in Reynolds' new store Monday. We can't hear of any good being accomplished.

Don't fail to go to the polls next Monday and do your full duty. Be sure to vote the straight Democratic ticket, from governor down to commissioner.

INCORPORATION.

We have been working and using our ihfluence for several months to have our town incorporated, and our efforts will soon be crowned with success. The following petition has been sent to Hon. D. R. McMillan, judge of probate, who will soon issue an order for an election for incorporation:

To Hon. D. R. McMillan, Probate Judge of Shelby couuty, Alabama:

We, the undersigned adult male inhabitants of Montevallo, said state and county, respectfully show unto Your Honor that said town is not incorporated, and has a population of not less than one hundred, nor more than three thousand; wherefore petitioners pray that said town may be incorporated as is provided by the statutes of Alabama, and that the boundaries thereof be defined as follows, viz: Taking F. W. Rogan's storehouse as a central point, thence running three-quarters of a mile in every direction. (Signed)

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C. N. Pritchard,
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W. B. McMath,
W. B. Strong,
D. L. Wilkinson,
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R. T. Flemming,
W. R. Johnson,
J. W. Acker,
A. M. Cross,
R. T. Newton,
P. L. Abernethy,
E. Findley,
R. F. McKibbon,
Otto W. Puls,
Burgess Little,
E. G. Givhan,
John H. McMath,
D. W. Shivers.

We have encouraging news from all over the State. The Democrats are going to win by handsome majorities. The Pops won't be in it after Monday.

We hope every paper and periodical in the State will copy the report of President Reynolds to the State Superintendent of Education. The report is published on our first page. Taking it all in all, it shows that the Girls' Industrial School of Alabama is accomplishing more for less cost to the State, than any school in the world. Think of a school educating 600 pupils and having a property worth $50,000 (which it is well worth), in buildings and outfit, and out of debt, and has never had but the sum of $45,000 from the State. As the president says the people get the benefit of every dollar returned to them direct. Yes, they have gotten it five fold. Certainly, this school has only to be seen to be appreciat- and we prophesy it will not be forgotten by any man who has a daughter, sister or a mother. Pass this report around in order that our people may know of this grand work.

PROGRAMME

FOR THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF SHELBY COUNTY S.S. ASSOCIATION, AT CHAPEL M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, AUG. 5-6, 1898.

FRIDAY, AUG. 5, 1898.

10 A. M., Convention called to order. Devotional exercises by Rev. A. E. Burns. 1 Kings 17:1-16, God's power.

10:20, Address of Welcome by Rev. J. C. Francis.

10:30, Organization, enrollment and appointment of committees.

11:00, Study of last Sunday's lesson, by J. F. Averyt and J. R. White.

11:30, Reports from Sunday-schools.

2 P. M., Devotional exercises, Rev. W I. Sinnott. 1 Kings 18:30, 31—"The only true God."

2:30, Teachers' meeting, Rev. P. L. Abernethy and Rev. L. F. Goodwin.

3:00, Home Department, Judge Joseph Carthel.

3:30, Worship in the Sunday-school, the importance of, and how to conduct the singing. Rev. S. N. Burns and W. H. Kidd.

4:00, Reports of committees.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH.

10 A. M., Song service, I. D. Mason. Devotional exercises, Rev. F. A. Vann. 1 Kings 19:1 16, "God's way."

10:30, How shall next Sunday's lessons be taught? Adults, D. R. McMillan; Primary, Miss Minnie Allen.

2 P. M., Praver service. Rev. T. M. Wilson, J. H. Nabors. 1 Kings 21:4-16, "God forgotten."

2:30, Review of Second Quarter's lessons. E. T. Witherby.

3:00, What can be done for our county? Rev. R. Kidd, E. C. Stocum, and T. A. Houston.

3:30, What have I gained by this convention?

4:00, Adjournment.

It is earnestly desired that each Sunday-school in the county send at least three delegates. Chapel community is noted for its hospitality, and all who have an interest in the Sunday-school work are cordially invited to be present.

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LOCAL.

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A little son of Mr. O. W. Puls is on the sick list this week.

Another very heavy rain fell here here Tuesday afternoon.

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Mr. Jack Hayes, of Avondale, is visiting a friend near town.

The editor made a flying visit to Dogwood last Friday evening.

Madame Rumor says a wedding is on the tapis in the near future.

Mr. John H. McMath has returned from his trip to Talladega Springs.

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Mr. J. S. Ogletree, of Blocton, was in town Saturday, and gave us a call.

A very interesting meeting is now going on at Sessions Chapel, near town.

We are glad to see Mr. Will McConaughy out again after a short spell of fever.

Messrs. James Hayes and Charley Gist. of Six Mile, were in town last Friday.

Mrs. D. L. Wilkinson left a few days ago for a visit to her parents at Bolling, Ala.

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There is a good deal of sickness in around Montevallo at present. Some very serious cases.

Mrs. S. C. Lattimore, of Dublin, Texas, is visiting her brother, D. W. Shivers, of our town.

Mr. George Moore and wife, of McCalla, Ala., visited friends and relatives in town last Friday.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

J. W. Martin, the jeweller. removed his family Tuesday to the Latham place, one mile from town.

We regret to learn that Willie Strong is confined to his bed with fever. We hope he will soon be well again.

Master Welton Nabors, who has been quite sick for the past week, is, we are glad to learn, convalescent.

G. D. Mitchell, our typo, will be in Blocton Monday next, and will cast his ballot for Democracy and reform.

We could not send a better man to the legislature than Ed Lyman. Be sure to go to the polls Monday and cast your ballot for him.

Wednesday, July 13th, was cool enough for a fire; Wednesday, July 20th, was the hottest day we've had this summer. Quite a contrast in seven days.

Mr. W. H. Lawrence, the popular salesman at Latham & Co's., left on Tuesday morning for Plantersville, his old home, where he will visit friends and relatives.

Rev. P. L. Abernethy went to Renfroe last Friday to assist in a protracted meeting. He returned Tuesday, being called home by the serious illness of Earl Cary.

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We regret to say that Master Earl Cary, a son of Mr. Walter Cary, is critically ill, and not expected to live. We hope that he may take a change for the better and soon recover.

Later.—Earl died last night about 10 o'clock. Will give a more extended notice next week.

Messrs. J. N. Campbell and J. J. Little, of Blocton, stopped over in our town a short while last Friday evening on their return from Atlanta, Ga, where they had been to take in the C. V. Reunion. They reported a big time.

Capt. H. C. Reynolds is having an addition of four rooms and a hall built to the already commodious residence in front of the Methodist church. He is making room to accommodate more girls when school opens. Mr. O. W. Puls is doing the work.

The little babe of Mr. Will Broadhead, of Aldrich, died last Friday, and the remains were brought to Montevallo and interred beside those of its mother, who had preceded her little darling to the spirit land about five months. Mr. Broadhead has the sympathy of all in his sad affliction.

Mr. S. R. Sheppard and wife, of Brierfield, were in town yesterday.

Misses Eunice and Rhoda Latham will leave to-morrow (Friday) evening for Birmingham, where they will spend a few days, and will go from there to Blount Springs, to be absent quite a while. We wish for them a pleasant visit and a safe return.

Grove & West have opened up their blacksmith and woodwork shop at the Vest old stand, and are now prepared to do all kinds of work in their line. They also repair bicycles, pistols and guns. These gentlemen are practical workmen, and we bespeak for them a liberal share of the public patronage.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Mr. George Kroell is having the old residence near his storehouse torn down, preparatory to the erection of his new brick store. The new building will be single story, 50x120 feet. Banks Bros. have the contract. The new building will be quite an addition to that part of town. Mr. Kroell will use his old storehouse as a repository for vehicles.

Private Roger N. Alston, Company G, Eufaula, a member of the Second Alabama regiment, died at Miami, Fla, last Sunday night, a victim of typhoid fever.

Mr. Alston was a brother of Miss Jennie Alston, of Hawkinsville, Ala., a pupil at the Industrial School last session. Her many schoolmates all over the State deeply sympathize with her in the loss of her brother.

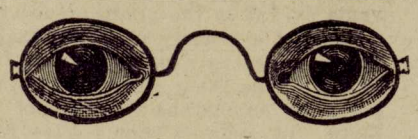
A SAD DEATH.

About two weeks ago Miss Maria Hawkins, of Elyton, Ala., came to Montevallo on a visit to her aunt, Mrs. French Nabors, hoping that a change would be beneficial to her health. She was in the bloom of young womanhood, was cheerful and happy, and little did she or her relatives think that so soon she would be called upon to give account for the deeds done in the body. Miss Hawkins had been a sufferer for about a year from Bright's disease, and about a week after her arrival here she was taken worse, and all that lovfng hands and medical skill could do was done to arrest the disease and alleviate the suffering of this lovely young woman, but all to no avail. She continued to grow worse until Sunday evening, when she quietly breathed her last, and her pure spirit was wafted on angels' wings to the God who gave it. Her remains were carried to Elyton Monday evening, being followed to the train by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. The following young men acted as pallbearers: A J. Lee, L. W. Bowdon, S. S. Allen, S. P. West, A. B. Little and W. B. McCluney. The funeral was conducted from St. John's Episcopal church, Elyton, Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock, and the interment was at Elyton cemetery.

The deceased was a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. N. Hawkins, who have many friends here who sympathize with them in the loss of their lovely daughter.

Mrs. D. W. Shivers and children left yesterday for Gallion, Ala., on a visit to Capt Henry A. Tayloe, father of Mrs. Shivers.

Mr. James McDonald came near happening to a serious accident several days ago. While engaged in stacking hay, he accidentally fell from a stack, and in the fall the prongs of a pitchfork came near penetrating his abdomen, The wounds were painful. but not serious. Mr. McDonald was able to be in town Tuesday.



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DRUMMED OUT OF CAMP.

WHAT THE ORDEAL TO THE TUNE OF THE "ROGUE'S MARCH" MEANS.

It is One of the Severest of Army Punishments—An Account of a Dramatic Episode of the Civil War Related by a Drummer Boy Who Participated.

"I experienced a time of reminiscence when I read of the Seventh Illinois boys at Camp Alger," said a Washington man who seemed to be young for a veteran of the civil war. "Why, four eventful years of my life were spent with the Seventh Illinois, which I entered as a drummer boy. But my Seventh Illinois passed out of existence soon after it marched down Pennsylvania avenue in the grand review just a third of a century ago. Its ragged flag, bearing the names of the leading battles of the West, was rolled up and put away among the treasures of the State. By right it should have been the First Illinois, but as there had been six regiments in the Mexican war, the numbers began with seven.

"What makes my recollection of the old Seventh more vivid is the suggestion as to this punishment of the deserter, who left camp without leave to visit his girl at home. It is thought by many that when he is arrested and tried he will be sentenced to be drummed out of camp. Several officers have intimated that this, instead of the death penalty, is likely to be his unhappy fate. It happened that one of my first experiences as a drummer was to aid in the drumming out of a man who had twice fallen asleep on sentry duty. The punishment is much more severe than persons will think, unless they have witnessed such an event. I have seen men bucked and gagged, tied up by the thumbs and the like for showing disrespect for shoulder straps or some other breach of discipline, but cruel as they seem these inflictions are really mild by comparison.

"We were then in the three months' service and stationed at Mound City, about six miles above Cairo, on the Ohio River. No enemy had disturbed us, and it was not thought there was any danger of attack, but sleeping on sentry duty is everywhere and always regarded as a grave offense. The first offense of the young man was passed over with a repremand and a warning, because the regimental surgeon expressed a doubt as to his mental responsibility. He had always been rather queer. The second time the officer of the day made a great stir about it and the good discipline of the regiment required that something should be done, regardless of the doubt as to the mental condition of the offender. After long deliberation, it was resolved to carry out the sentence, which was that he be drummed out of camp.

"The young man took it very seriously and added to the dramatic effect, if he did not save a part of the proceedings from being serious, by the bearing of a man about to be hanged. His head was shaved and he was dressed in a shabby suit of civilian clothes. He lost all self-restraint before he was brought out of the guard house, and his moaning could be heard all over the camp. The regiment was brought out as if for dress parade, and then formed in two lines facing each other. There was a space of about twenty feet between the two lines. Down this space came the poor wretch, bareheaded and hardly able to walk. His face was white and his eyes wild. On either side of him was a soldier with his gun and immediately at his heels the drummers and fifers playing the "Rogue's March." Back of these came an officer with drawn sword. As the party started the regiment came to a charge of bayonets, in such an oblique direction that every bayonet pointed at the condemned man. As he passed the guns were moved so as to continue to point at him. When they reached the limit of the camp the officer solemnly charged him never to enter the lines of the army again, and he was allowed to go on his solitary, melancholy way. The utter depression of the man made the event impressive and a lesson in military discipline. The doubt whether he was wholly to blame turned the sympathy of the regiment to him.

"Anybody who has read, as most people have, the story of the 'Man Without a Country,' will understand why this punishment is severe. It cuts a man off from his kind, marks him as unfit to associate with his fellows, drives him from his natural society, and declares him to be particularly and hopelessly obnoxious. Few men can be so hardened as to bear it lightly. The victim of ordinary punishments, even of the humiliating buck-and-gag, is till one of his kind and is able to restore himself in the general esteem. For the drummed-out man there is no restoration. He is virtually affirmed to be beyond redemption, not fit to be imprisoned, worthless material to be cast away once and forever.

"There was comparatively little of this kind of punishment in the civil war. Indeed, there was little punishment of any kind, except confinement in the guard house, after the first few months. Either the soldiers learned obedience or else the officers found that punishments of the brutal kind were not profitable. The practice of tying men up by the thumbs was a favorite mode of discipline for awhile, but finally it was abandoned altogether. As a lesson in the case of a deserter at this time, drumming out of camp would be about as effective as hooting to all who could witness the proceedings.

"This was certainly the most disagreeable duty I had to perform in all my four years' service. There is a popular idea that the drummer boy is often called on to lead an assault. But in time of battle he is attached to the hospital corps. Sometimes in a pause in an engagement that has tried the nerves of the men martial music may enliven their drooping spirits, but as a rule the drum is dropped for the stretcher in a serious fight. In many engagements my days were spent in carrying canteens of water to the wounded, who were not able to leave the field, and in guiding the stronger stretcher bearers to those who needed the first attention, and my nights in giving chloroform at the amputating tables or attending to the wants of the wounded.—New York Sun.

Why We Get Tired.

It is the general impression among athletes that exhaustion and "loss of wind" are due to the inability to consume sufficient oxygen and exhale rapidly enough carbon dioxide. When the muscle is moving rapidly and forcibly it is true that it demands more oxygen, and gives off to the blood more carbon dioxide than when at rest. When a man is running as fast as he can make his limbs move he is able to keep up the pace but for a short distance unless, like a hunted hare, he runs to his death. On account of the forced, vigorous and rapid muscular action in this case, the poisonous materials are thrown into the blood, to be carried to all parts of the body—muscles, nerves, brain. The heart is affected by this poison through the nerve cells controlling that organ; the muscles of respiration are similarly disturbed. The panting, distressed efforts of breathing, sidelong tumbling, anhelation and final semi-consciousness of the hunted stag or hare are good examples of acute auto-intoxication ending in death. This latter deplorable condition is not unknown among the annals of human strife for athletic honors, even with our present advanced knowledge of physiology.—Popular Science Monthly.

Ambition of an Illinois Tar.

Before Assistant Paymaster W. H. Doherty, U. S. N., started for Key West to join his ship, he told the following incident, which occurred at the Norfolk Navy Yard: A member of the Illinois naval militia passed an examination successfully and was appointed Assistant Paymaster in the volunteer service, a rank which in the regular service pays about $1,700 a year. The next day the Illinois man walked up to the commander of the ship to which he had been assigned and said:

"Say, what do I do?"

The commander, overlooking the informality of his address, said: "Why you make out the pay rolls and pay off the men."

"Well, don't I fight?"

"Oh, no, you don't fight."

"Well, to thunder with this job," said the Illinois man. 'I want to fight."

He was thereupon made a petty officer at about $30 a month with a chance of unlimited fighting, and he accepted the change joyfully.

HOW MEN DIE IN BATTLE.

Bravely, Invariably, Though Regulars First Examine Their Wounds.

"If you want to know how men die in battle, ask some of those who have been at Wilson's Creek, on one side or the other," said Judge David Murphy of the Criminal Court.

"I was in Totten's Battery, and I saw them, wounded and dying, falling thick and fast around me. You may say that I saw not one man flunk in the face of death on that terrible day of fight and bloodshed. While I was firing my gun from Bloody Hill a youngster, not more than 20 years old, suddenly jerked his leg. He uttered a sharp, quick cry, then bent down and tore the trousers away from the place on his shin where a minnie had struck him. He looked up with a smile, patted the wound with his hand, pulled the torn trousers down and went on shooting. Five minutes later he yelled again, and his hand went up to the fleshy part of his left arm. 'Hit again!' he said, sat down behind the battle ranks and examined his arm. The wound was only skin deep, and that seemed to please him hugely, for he tied his handkerchief around it, and again went forward into the ranks with his musket.

"You're fighting in bad luck today, Pete," said a comrade. The youngster turned his face to answer back, and by the snapping of his eyes it could be seen that his mind framed a saucy, defiant reply. Just then his jaw dropped. A ball plowed its way through his mouth, leaving nothing but a bloody, tongueless cavity. With a hoarse gurgle the fellow threw his gun on the ground and fled back of the lines. He was found in a hospital afterward, but never recovered.

"On that same day I encountered three men under a tree. Their faces were ashen gray, showing that they were mortally wounded. I asked them why they were not attended to, and one of them said that as it was all over with them they wanted the surgeons to attend first to those who could be saved. One of them was smoking a short briar-wood pipe.

"What are you doing, my friend?" I asked.

"'Taking my last smoke,' he answered, his glassy eyes looking steadfastly at me. Another was reading a letter. He held it up to his face, but I could see that he was not making any headway. His eyes were growing dim, and his weak, trembling hands folded the missive and thrust it into his breast pocket. He was perfectly resigned to his fate, and had not a word to say. When I returned in the evening, after a lull, I found the three men dead. Their faces were white and set in the shadow of the tree under which they lay. By the placidity of the features I knew that they had met death without flunking.

"That's all bosh about men raving about mother, home and heaven. All the men I have seen die, or near death, were quiet and perfectly rational. They made no fuss. Those that did were usually delirious, entirely out of their minds. The faces of these were frequently distorted, and gave every evidence of the mental and physical agony they had endured.

One thing struck me as peculiar. Nearly all the regulars exhibited an instant desire to examine their wounds when they were hit, and the expression of their faces indicated in a moment whether they wer slightly or mortally wounded. They seemed to know with unfailing certainty. If the wound was slight and in a place where they could tie it up conveniently, they did so, and then went back into the fighting lines. If it was mortal, their grave, pale faces betrayed their knowledge. The volunteers were not so well posted, but they were brave as lions, and seldom gave up unless seriously hurt."

Coffee in the Philippines.

Coffee was introduced in the Philippines, probably in the latter part of the eighteenth century, from Brazil. The first large plantation was established in 1826, and the production began to extend actively fifteen or twenty years ago. Latterly the export has decreased very greatly. It used to average 2,500 tons a year, but has recently sunk to only 300. This is probably due to the revolution, for the coffee is of good quality, some of it excellent.

Unlike Manila hemp and tobacco, the coffee requires some capital on the part of those who undertake it. It takes the tree four or five years to begin to bear. Those who are able to make the necessary advances have prospered greatly, and, especially about Manila, have become rich.

The exported coffees formerly went exclusively to France, but are now scattered well over Europe, usually through Singapore. They are of two sorts, the Manila and the Zamboanga. The first is grown about Manila, chiefly to the south and east of Manila Bay. It has a small berry and is more highly prized than the other. The Zamboanga coffee is produced in the south, principally on Mindanao and the Sulu Islands. The berry of this variety is larger, but less care is used in its preparation. It goes directly to Singapore.

Falls That Shake Two Cities.

The Lewiston Falls have reached the flutter point. When the day is done and darkness falls from the wings of night, and far and wide over the city falls the hush of sleeping thousands, then the falls gets in its work.

Men awake with a start to find that all things are a-trembling. The old window sashes that have stood to the angry hows of a hundred northeasters now tremble and flutter when no breath of air is moving. Men who are nervous reach spasmodically under their pillows to see if the revolver is there, and women awake and demand that the cat be let out.

If you happen to know what it is that makes the noise, it is'nt so bad—but there are many who do not know, and "speerits" and gnomes and shadowy ghosts are suggested. Every year when the falls reaches a certain indefinite point on the ledge the two cities are set a-shaking like aspen leaves. Then it is that we rise in the night and stick burned matches into the jamb of the window and push the door latch back, so that we can sleep.

Languages That Will Die.

An eminent Russian linguist, in a work recently published on the different languages spoken throughout the world, avers that in 200 years from now there will be only three living languages—Russian, English and Chinese. All other languages and dialects, of which there are at present 3,000, will have fallen into disuse.

During the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, according to the Russian authority, tne whole of continental Europe and of Asia, with the exception of China, will have adopted the Russian language, and Chinese will be the language of the Celestials and the Oceanic, 417 American, while in the Russian empire alone sixty different tongues are found.—Pearson's Weekly.

A Precocious Child.

What a pity that every preacher cannot have just such a little daughter as one we know of. The four-year-old daughter of a clergyman, after listening to her father preach one Sunday morning for quite a while, finally became restless, and, climbing up, on the seat, she exclaimed: "Come on, papa, you've said enough; let's go home!"—

The largest history ever published is "The War of the Rebellion," issued by Uncle Sam in 120 huge octavo volumes, of 1,000 pages each, with a gigantic atlas in thirty pages.

OUR ARMY PUTS ON ITS NEW UNIFORM.

IDEAL SUITS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR A TROPICAL CAMPAIGN.

Despatches from Cuba tell how the soldiers of our army, burdened with hot flannel uniforms and heavy outfits, are throwing away everything they can on the march, even their coats. In the terrible heat every ounce of weight adds to discomfort while marching, and, regardless of the future, men are casting aside blankets, extra clothing, tin plates and other articles in their Merriam kits, caring only to lighten their burdens.

Men in regular marching order who have been sent to Cuba, volunteers as well as regulars, carry in all nearly sixty pounds, including their rifles, enough to stagger a man in a cool climate. This casting away of every superfluous article is not a new practice, for it was done by tens of thousands of men in the Civil War and has been done by soldiers in almost all other wars.

Recognizing the unfitness of the regulation uniforms for the tropics, the Government is having 40,000 cotton drilling and duck uniforms made, which will greatly add to the comfort and general appearance of the soldiers. Already 4000 of these suits have been completed and shipped to Tampa to be forwarded to Cuba for General Shafter's command.

The new campaign uniform for infantry is made of canvas duck or drill. Its distinguishing feature is a Norfolk jacket, or blouse effect with a box plait down the back. There are four pockets in the front and five buttons. The two upper pockets are faced with blue cloth, the epaulet straps, cuffs and collars being of the same material and color.

The uniform is made with felled seams. Brown canvas leggings somewhat darker than the uniform are used. A web cartridge belt, blue woolen blanket, haversack to contain tin plate, knife, fork and spoon and rations, a water bottle and tin cup complete the equipment. No knapsack is used.

The trimmings of the cavalry uniform are yellow and of the artillery red.

Regulation army uniforms now in use are lined and weigh about eight pounds, being better suited for use in the Arctic regions than in a climate where the sun's rays are as hot as the blasts from a furnace. The lining carefully sewed inside the coats makes them doubly warm, and officers do not wonder that the men under them cast the garments aside in disgust.

Different from any uniform ever before worn by any United States troops are the new styles adopted, and they are as attractive looking as they are durable. The cloths used in the suits for the Cuban campaign are what are known to the trade as drill weave and duck. Housewives would call the first named material cotton drilling.

Suits of these materials weigh less than half as much as the uniforms now in use, and because of their looser weave are much cooler. The cotton drill uniforms, which are of a light buff color, weigh just two pounds and fourteen ounces, while the duck, which are light reddish tan, weigh four ounces more.

No colors could be found better adapted for service in a country where the men are exposed to dust and dirt in all kinds of weather, and even after a hard, long campaign it is expected the uniforms will still present a fairly respectable appearance.

In style the coats for all departments of the service, infantry, artillery and cavalry, are like the once popular Norfolk jacket, with a belt of the same material. The trimmings are of the same style, but of different colors, blue for the infantry, red for the artillery and yellow for the cavalry.

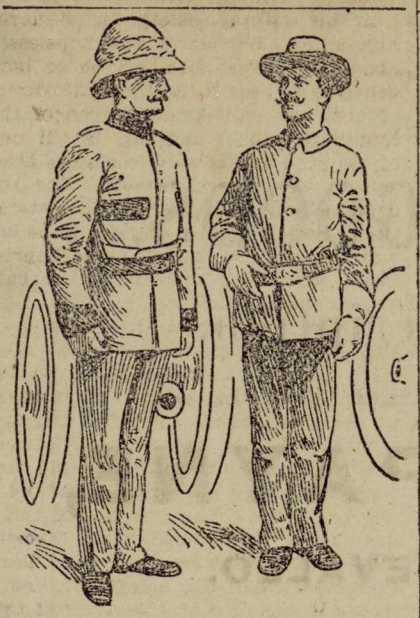
This trimming, which lends an attractive bit of color to the uniforms, consists of a deep facing at the ends of the sleeves, over the lapels of the two upper pockets, shoulder straps and around the low cut military collar. The trousers are perfectly plain.

The uniforms of privates and noncommissioned officers are worth about $3 each. Four big pockets are made in the coats.

Dressed in these suits, with the light under-wear being provided by the Government, the soldiers will feel like new men. No attempt probably will be made to carry the kit on forced marches, except when absolutely necessary.

Officers will wear uniforms of finer, but no more comfortable, material. The cloth is known as kahke in India, where it comes from, and is like brown linen. Uniforms of this cloth cost about $25.

In addition to the canvas and drill uniforms, which will be sent to the camps in the South as well as to Cuba, the Government is providing a blue flannel suit, unlined, which weighs only a few ounces more than three pounds.



ASTOR BATTERY IN AN IDEAL TROPICAL UNIFORM FOR SERVICE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Clothing the army and navy is one of the most important problems presented to the War and Navy Departments for solution. The quartermaster-general performs the task for the army and the paymaster-general for the navy. In time of peace the duty involves considerable labor. In time of war, and especially at the beginning of hostilities, when the public are crying for a million men to be enlisted, clothed and put at the front in a minute, the task assumes the proportions of a mountain in a fog.

Take the quartermaster-general, for instance. It is his duty to see that the big army which the President has called to give battle to the Spanish is clothed at the very earliest possible moment. His usual sources of supply are quickly exhausted. Others must be found. The clothing must be made. The first thing the quartermaster-general does is to ascertain, as nearly as possible, the exact number of suits required, the kind of suits, the number of shoes and underclothing, also hats. The exact kind is then specified in detail, and bids for the whole or part of the clothing needed. Accompanying every bid is a check to guarantee that the terms of the contract will be carried out to the letter.

These bids are submitted, together with samples of the goods required. The bids are carefully examined and compared and the lowest bidder (the quality of goods being satisfactory) gets the contract. The goods contracted for must be ready on time and delivered to the Government. When they are delivered they are inspected by Government officials and, if all right, accepted. Then they are forwarded to the store house of the army at Philadelphia to await orders.

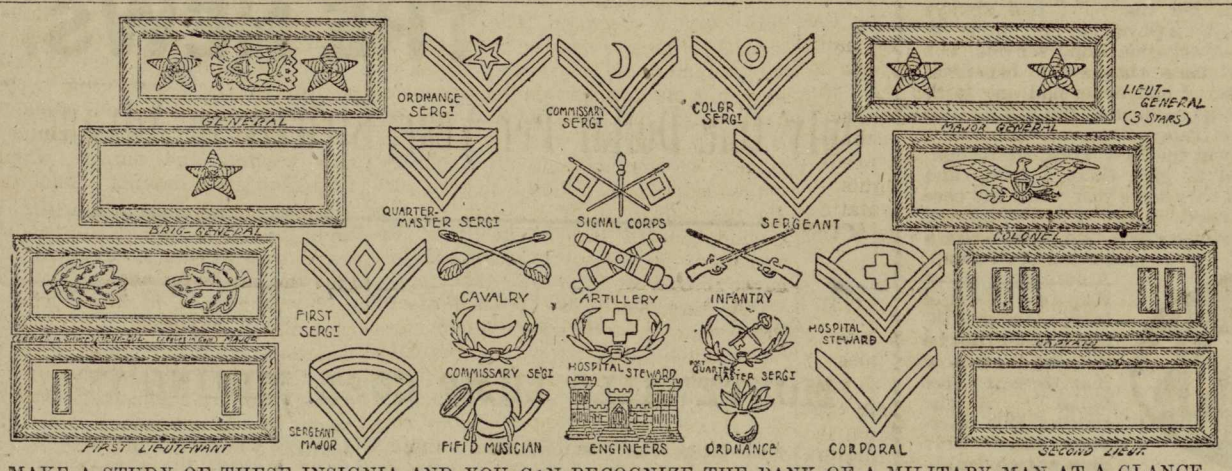
NEW U. S. ARMY UNIFORM—LIGHT AND HEAVY MARCHING ORDER.

When a regiment is recruited and sworn into the United States service, the captain of each company makes out a requisition for the number of uniforms needed and forwards the requisition to the quartermaster of the regiment. The colonel approves of the requisition, and then it is forwarded to the brigade quartermaster, who, if he has not the clothes required on hand, makes a requisition on the corps quartermaster. The latter, when uniforms are needed, makes a requisition on the quartermaster-general, who draws the supplies needed from the depot at Philadelphia.

Upon the delivery of the clothing to the regimental quartermaster, the captains of the several companies are notified. The captains march their men to headquarters and there they receive the clothing apportioned to them and for which the captain gives a receipt to the regimental quartermaster, who keeps it for his voucher. The same formula for the issuing of clothing is followed in the navy.

The army and navy uniforms are made in nearly every large city of the Union, and the cost of those for the privates is about $5, and those for men before the mast is about $8 per man. The officers' uniforms range in price from $50 to $75. A bullet will, however, pierce the one as quickly as the other. The uniform of the general officers of the army is a double-breasted blouse of dark blue cloth or serge, with four outside patch pockets with flaps, a rolling collar, with two rows of buttons, grouped according to rank, of the same kind as those worn on the dress coat. For all other officers a single-breasted blouse is worn, of dark blue cloth or serge, with four outside pockets with flaps, falling collar, with five buttons in front of the same kind as those worn on the dress coat. The skirt of the dress coat extends from one-third to one-half the distance from the hip joint to the knee.

Chile is a Peruvian word, denoting "land of snow."



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Sales Increasing.

The largest retail drug store in America is that of Hegeman & Co. on Broadway in New York City. A reporter who went there to learn how Ripans Tabules were selling bought a five-cent carton and asked: "Do you have much call for these?"

He was referred to a gentleman who proved to be the head of the department. He said: "The sale of Ripans Tabules is constant and is increasing, due especially to the influential character of the testimonials in the daily press, and growing out of these, through the recommendation of friend to friend. Satisfaction with them is very general. When once they are begun I notice that a permanent customer for them is made. This, I believe, is through their intrinsic merit, which proves the bona fide character of the advertising. I think them specially useful in the general run of stomach troubles."

An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

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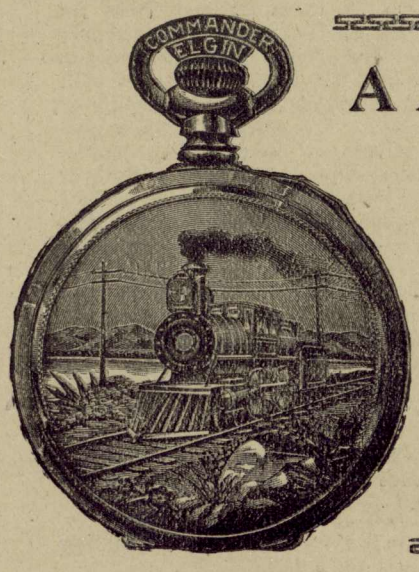
A new style packet containing TEN RIPANS TABULES packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some drug stores—FOR FIVE CENTS. This low-priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen of the five-cent cartons (12 tabules) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. 10 Spruce Street, New York—one single carton (TEN TABULES) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABULES may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. One gives relief.



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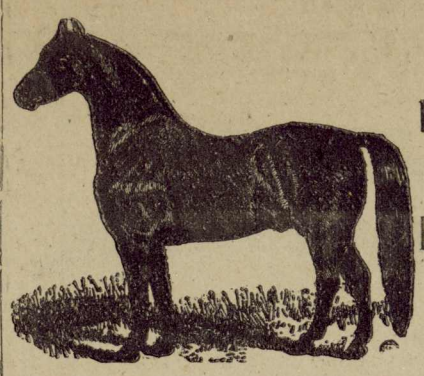

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GOING HOME TO LITTLE BEN.

The soldier had kissed his wife at parting,
And the sleeping babe in the cradle nest;
But so short the time he had for starting,
He must miss the one his heart loved best.
His four-year-old, a child so tender,
Was in the garden and dreaming when
The father left, to be a defender,
Without one kiss trom his little Ben.

When far down the road he heard Ben weeping,
And turned to look back on his darling child;
His curly head above the gate peeping,
Each curl a-tossing in the breezes mild.
"Come back, my papa!" the child was crying;
And the father's heart was throbbing when
He gazed on the child, with his dear curls flying,
And pleading: "Come home, papa, to Ben!"

For many a day, awake or dreaming—
Ah, many a day he heard that plea,
And saw those curls in the breezes streaming,
And the child-voice crying, "Come back to me!"
And, oh, the letter that came soon after,
From the wife at home, this news to state:
"Our home is silent. No merry laughter;
No curly head at the garden gate!

"In a little grave where the clay is mellow,
Ben sleeps, with his hands on his silent breast;
And the daisies nod with their crests of yellow,
And the soft winds whisper their songs of rest."
No wonder that father, when wounded, dying,
Said to the silent and watching men:
"I heard the voice of my darling crying,
'Come home, papa, to your little Ben!'"

Around his grave on that Summer morning,
His comrades stood with heads bowed low;
And silence told how they were mourning
For the comrade they had all loved so.
And, as they turned from his place of sleeping,
A voice was heard 'mongst those silent men;
A voice so mellow with tears and weeping:
"Gone home at last to his little Ben!"

—Faraway Moses.

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE CUBANS

Since the Santiago campaign has developed the real character and disposition of the Cuban insurgents, there is a general tendency to discredit our allies in the war against the Spanish. The press despatches from the front state plainly that the Cubans have been more of a handicap than a help during the recent operations; that their principal activity has consisted of vigorous attacks on the American commissary, in return for which they have refused to render any notable assistance to our soldiers in front of Santiago. During the first minor engagements following the landing of our marines, they were of considerable assistance in keeping off the Spanish guerrillas and in the sacking of Baiquiri, Siboney and El Caney they displayed pernicious activity and enthusiasm. But during the two days' heavy fighting they were rather in the way of the American troops than of any assistance. They refused to aid in the menial but necessary task of road building, and while they were loitering in the rear our surgeons sought their assistance in vain, for they would not even cut poles for improvised litters for the wounded. It was not expected that they would take a leading part in the assaults, but even in the capacity of guides and skirmishers they proved unreliable. When they were denied the anticipated pleasure of sacking Santiago and probably massacreing the Spanish prisoners, even General Garcia showed his resentment by refusing to attend the ceremony of surrender, since which time the Cuban Achilles and his forces have been sulking in their tents, only coming into the American camp for their daily distribution of rations. In short, the relations between the American soldiers and their so-called allies are very much strained.

This disclosure of plain and disagreeable facts about the little, half-savage bushmen who have been persistently represented as veritable paladins of chivalry and daring is naturally disappointing to many idealists. The sudden dissipation of their dreams has caused a sentimental reaction, and they are disposed to regard their erstwhile heroes with contempt. The mere fact that a Cuban should prefer hardtack and bacon to death and glory in the trenches, knocks the poetry all out of the patriot business, and the impulsive are disposed to regret that the United States ever undertook the task of freeing the island.

As a matter of fact the Cubans are neither as heroic nor as worthless as they have been painted. While among them are doubtless men of undaunted bravery and devotion to the cause they have fought for so many years, the masses of the Cubans are not as advanced in morale as the American negroes before the war. They are merely what their Spanish masters have made them, and too much should not be expected of them. It would be strange if, after the treatment they have received for centuries, they should not be savage, merciless and revengeful, and their principal idea of the results of victory is the opportunity for plunder, rapine and slaughter.

It is difficult for the blunt and determined Anglo-Saxon to understand the vagaries of the volatile Latin. He is virtuous or vicious, lively or lazy, brave or brutal, according as his good or evil genius is uppermost. Spain's legacy to the island is a strain of Latin blood, mingled with negro, Indian and other nationalities, resulting in a nondescript race that is sadly lacking in many of the higher elements of civilization. In short, the Cuban problem presents more difficulties the closer we become acquainted with it, but that is no reason why we should throw up the job we have undertaken. Common sense only is required to solve it.

It is generally admitted now that the United States made a grave mistake in admitting the Southern slaves to citizenship immediately after their emancipation, and it will hardly be repeated by throwing the responsibility of self-government upon the Cubans as soon as they are freed from Spanish rule. They must be led gently and gradually out of the atmosphere of feudal depotism in which they have existed all their lives, and instructed in the ways of civilized democracy before they will be fitted to hold the reins of government unaided. The United States is responsible before the world for the establishment of a stable government, and having undertaken the task, we must carry it out in an enlightened and charitable spirit.—Washington Post.

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A Negro Private's Feat.

Wandering about the post in a suit of pink pajamas is a Titanic negro, six feet tall and of like proportions. His name is Americus Johnson, and he is a private in the Tenth regular cavalry. This "Buffalo," as the colored soldiers of the army are familiarly called, "sought the bubble reputation at the cannon's mouth" at El Caney and single-handed succeeded in overcoming a squad of the enemy and capturing a six-pound rapid fire gun, shot three Spaniards, knocked four senseless with the butt of his carbine, and the rest ran away in terror. Johnson was twice wounded, one ball passing through his left shoulder and another through his left leg, but neither remained in his body and no bones were broken. He speaks of his wounds contemptuously as "pin holes." They are healing rapidly, and he will soon be able to return to his home in Texas and receive the honors due the brave. He has already received a great deal, and I grieve to relate that glory and admiration are confusing Johnson's memory. He is becoming somewhat inaccurate and inconsistent in his statements. He sits all day long under the shade of a tree clad in his pink pajamas like the sultan of Senegambia, and relates the story of his achievements over and over again to throngs of colored people and straggling whites, who stand with both their ears and mouth wide open, paralyzed with awe. Like the editors of the yellow journals, Mr. Johnson has discovered that the public taste demands something hot and bloody, and he does his best to gratify their craving. By the time he gets to Texas, Johnson will have captured an entire battery; perhaps captured Morro itself.—Fort Monroe Telegram to Chicago Record.

An Iowa clergyman who has lost his pulpit for engaging himself to several young women at the same time, pleads that while he loved all the damsels because they are children of God, in promising to marry them he simply meant that he would perform the ceremony when called upon to do so. The spinsters had no such understanding of the arrangement, and they made things warm for the preacher when he was found out.

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FINGER NAIL BITING HABIT.

There is Only One Sure Way to Stop the Practice.

"Non-believers in the doctrine of the transmission of hereditary instincts are brought to a standstill when they are confronted with such an indisputable fact that the finger-nail-biting habit is, in nine cases out of ten, handed down to the children of those addicted to it," said a Washington physician. "I have for nearly ten years watched this thing carefully, and in almost every case where a parent, either father or mother, has been a finger nail biter, I have found that the children have at a very early age naturally fallen into the same practice. The chief finger nail biters of the world are the French, and it was recently stated, upon reliable authority, that nearly two-thirds of the French school children are addicted to the habit. French specialists who have made a carefuly study of the matter maintain that the finger nail biting habit is a sort of nervous disease, and the French educational authorities are about to take steps to stop the habit among French school children. I haven't heard yet what they are going to do about it, but I am certain that they have a big contract on their hands. Even for grown people there is hardly any habit, aside from the confirmed abuses of narcotics, more difficult to overcome than the habit of biting the finger nails. It requires a strong mental effort and onstant vigilance to do this, for once a person has become thoroughly addicted to the habit he does it unconsciously, and is only reminded that he is marring himself when he gets one of his nails gnawed down to the quick. All manner of remedies have been advanced for the cure of the finger nail biting habit, including the placing of injurious and bitter compositions on the ends of the fingers, but none of these remedies amounts to much.

The only way to stop biting the finger nails is to stop, which is the only way to stop drinking liquor, by the way. The Americans are next to the French in the finger nail biting habit, probably because the Americans, as a whole, are an exceedingly nervous people. A man who accomplishes his determination to knock off biting his finger nails may, by incessant manicurger nails is to stop, which is the only a year or so, but finger nail biting, if long persisted in, ruins the shape of the ends of the fingers, and the nails can never be brought to look as well as those of the persons who permit their nails to grow as they were intended to grow."—Washington Star.

Science Troubled by Railway.

The observations of earth currents at Greenwich observatory have been made practically useless for several years by the electric railway from Stockwell to London, modern instruments being so sensitive that indications of this railway have been detected more than one hundred miles away. An early effect of the railway led to a funny experience. The generating station was visited by the magnetic superintendent of the observatory, and on his return to work the tracings of his magnets showed a curious deflection, which continued day after day—but only during the hours of his attendance. The idea that he was magnitized was a startling one! But one day he left his umbrella at home, and there was no disturbance, the umbrella having been a permanent magnet since the visit to the power station.

A Three Mile Bridge.

The proposed iron bridge over the Amu-Daria river, on the Central Asian railway, would replace a wooden bridge built when the Transcaspian Railway was built. The site is about 130 miles northeast of Merv. As the river overflows its banks, the new bridge would be 13,887 feet, or almost three miles long, and seventy-two feet above the normal water level to keep clear of the drift coming down. The estimated total cost of the bridge is $2,500,000, and a Russian firm has secured the contract for the metal work.

Audibility of Thunder.

While lightning may be see an its illuminating of clouds and mi. m y be recognized when it is even 00 iles distant, thunder is rarely audble nore than ten miles. The thuner rom very distant storms, therefor, se dom reaches the ear. The reason o this great uncertainty in tne audbi y of thunder is not difficult to uder and. It depends, not merely on tie itial intensity of the crash, but qui as much on the surroundings of th ob- server, even as in the quiet c ntry one will observe feeble sounds th es- cape the ear in a noisy city. Pe haps the most curious and important con- dition of audibility is that the th nder wave of sound shall not be ref cted or reflected by the layers of war and cold air between the observer an the lightning or by the layers of ind. swift above and slow below, so en- tirely to pass over and around th ob- server. Sound, in its wave-like s pro- gress obliquely through layers air of different densities, is subject re- fraction, and this refraction may ccur at any time and place. Thus, obs vers at the topmast of a ship frequently hear fog whistles that are inaudible at sea level; those on hill-tops hear thunder that cannot be heard in the valley; those in front of an obstacle hear sounds inaudible to those behind it. The rolling of thunder, like that of a distant cannonade, may be largely due to special reflections of sound. Again, the greater velocity of air at considerable altitude above the ground distorts the sound-wave and shortens the limit of audibility to the leeward, while increasing it to the windward.—Industries and Iron.

Fate of Beardsley Poster.

The late Aubrey Beardsley little suspected what the fate of one of his curious, weird pictures would be. According to a contemporary, one of these bizarre posters was purchased by an American in London for the modest sum of twenty-five cents, and sent to a friend in America as a specimen of the latest thing in English art. The friend's appreciation of English art was such that he used the poster for wrapping up some linen that was sent to a Chinese laundry kept by Sam Li. Sam's eyes brightened as he smoothed out the crumbled paper, and he fastened it on the laundry wall and invited his compatriots to come and look at it.

They came by twos and threes until the fame of the poster spread abroad; then they came in crowds. One of the visitors, Wan-fo-Li, director of the Chinese theater in Canton, bought it for $100 and soon made $400 by charging a small entrance fee for seeing the poster. Finally, a rich Chinaman of San Francisco bought it for $500 and to-day it decorates the palace of this millionaire, and before it burns, day and night, a lamp, as before some domestic divinity.—Chicago News.

Japan's First Skyscraper.

Over in Japan the people never have dared to build their houses or stores or office buildings more than two or three stories high. If they did the next lively earthquake that came along would tumble them all down. And yet Japan has recently made long strides toward civilization and is introducing many of the wonders of human industry which have characterized the civilization of America and Europe.

Recently an architect has drawn plans for a fifteen-story "skyscraper" to be built in the city of Tokio, and the money has been secured to complete the work. It will have the usual steel framework and its architect thinks that no earthquake ever will shake it down. No doubt when it is completed it will be a remarkable sight standing, as it will, among the low buildings of the city. It will be provided with elevators, and the Japanese will have an opportunity for the first time of experiencing the sensation of falling ten or fifteen stories and landing safely.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

A silver coin is usually in currency for twenty-seven years.

Evidence Produced.

"Prisoner," said the court, "you have been arrested as a suspicious character. You appear to have no visible means of support." Then his wife stepped forth and held up her hands, after which there was nothing to do but to discharge him.—Chicago News.

What will Become of China?

None can foresee the outcome of the quarrel between foreign powers over the division of China. It is interesting to watch the going to pieces of this ancient but unprogressive race. Many people in America are also going to pieces because of dyspepsia, constipation, blood, liver and stomach diseases. We are living too fast, but strength, vigor and good health can be retained if we keep off and cure the above diseases with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

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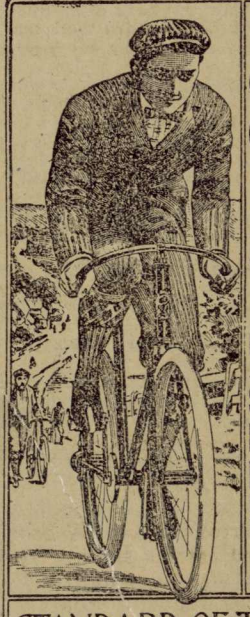

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Schley's Rescue of Lieutenant Greely.

In 1871, while a lieutenant-commander on the Asiatic station, Commodore W. S. Schley took part in an attack on the forces defending the fort on the Salee river, in Korea, wherein the Koreans were taught a lesson in regard to the power of the United States that they have not forgotten. Schley's services in rescuing the survivors of Greely's Arctic expedition in 1884 are a matter of history. He was chosen for the work because his fearlessness, self-possession and determination were recognized a just the qualities required for the emergency. He left his desk in the department at Washington on a day's notice, set out with the expedition, sailed straight to the polar regions and arrived at Cape Sabine in the nick of time. Had he tarried twenty-four hours on the way, he would have been two late; for Lieutenant Greely and his six companions were at the point of death from starvation and cold. He was in command of the Baltimore in the harbor of Valparaiso in October, 1891, when the sailors of his ship were set on by a Chillian mob ashore; one Yankee bluejacket was killed, and five others were badly hurt. Throughout the trying times which followed, Schley carried himself with a dignity and courage that commanded the admiration of the country.—McClure's Magazine.

Wanted to Surprise Him.

A thrifty man went to an auction to bid for a bookcase which he was sadly in need of. In due course the thing was put up, and there were several bidders for it.

The man continued to bid, but he was harassed by some woman who was bidding against him. The woman was in the crowd on the other side, and he could not see her, but he was determined to have it, and he bid up pretty high.

Finally it was knocked down to him, and the auctioneer asked his name. He gave it, and arranged to have the case sent home.

Just as he started out of the door some one tugged at his sleeve. He turned, and there was his wife.

Knowing that he wanted a bookcase, she had come down to buy one cheap and surprise him, and it was she who had been bidding against her husband. —Spare Moments.

Towed Twenty Miles by His Fish.

Clifton R. Scudder, who went to Catalina Island a few weeks ago in company with Samuel Cupples, had a thrilling experience with a big tuna the other day. He started fishing at three o'clock in the morning. At seven o'clock the fish struck his hook, and for seven hours afterwards there was an almost even struggle for the mastery. The strike occurred near the little town of Avalon, California, and at two o'clock, when the fish was finally brought to gaff, the boat had been towed fully twenty miles. The big fellow weighed one hundred and thirty pounds. It was found to be hooked in the back, which explained the vigorous and protracted fight it made. The time required to land this tuna exceeded by two hours and one-half any former record.—St. Louis Globe-

A Family of Sixty-two Children.

The Italians are discussing the advisability of pensioning Mrs. Maddalena Granatta, a lady of 57, who lives near Nocera, 12 miles from Naples. Her husband has been dead ten years, but during the 19 years they lived together as man and wife they had 62 children born to them, 59 of the lot being males. Eleven different times in nine years triplets were born, and on three different occasions four boys were announced, and once there were four boys and a girl.—London Times.

War correspondents were at it as far back as the time of Edward II. Scribes, specially commissioned, were sent up with the English army which invaded Scotland at that time. Incredible as it may sound, not one of the London newspapers was specially represented at the battle of Waterloo.

A Wonderful Clock.

In one of the town halls in a Japanese treaty port there is a remarkable time-piece. It is contained in a handsome frame, three feet wide and five feet long. It represents a noonday landscape, very cleverly carried out. In the foreground plum and cherry trees appear in bloom, while in the rear a hill is to be seen, from which flows a pretty cascade, imitated in crystal. From this cascade flows a tiny stream, which wends its way between rocks and islands and finaly loses itself in a stretch of woodland. In a miniature sky a golden sun turns on a silver wire, striking the hours on a silver gong as it passes. Each hour is marked by a creeping tortoise. A bird of rich plumage warbles at the close of the hour, and, as the warbling ceases, a mouse suddenly makes its appearance, and, scampering over the hill to the garden, is soon lost to view Altogether it is certainly a wonderful piece of mechanism.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Portraits of Harvard Law School.

After acting and persistent efforts, covering a period of about fifteen years Mr. John H. Arnold, the librarian of the Harvard Law School, has practically completed a very fine collection of portraits of English and American jurists. All of thee portraits, of which by far the larger number are engravings, have been classified and hung on the walls of the lecture rooms in Austin Hall. This collection is held to be the most extensive and valuable in America, and is said to be superior to any public collection in England. With the exception of a very few of the portraits, which have been given, they have all been purchased from the Law School funds, and many of them have been personally selected by Mr. Arnold in America and England.—The Boston Transcript.

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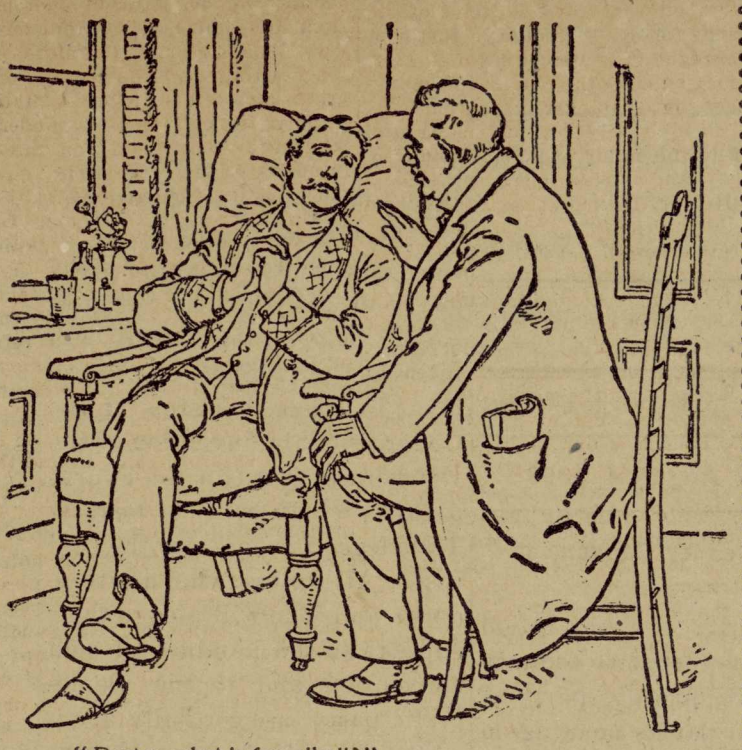

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Thursday, August 4, 1898

Call for County Convention.

By authority of a resolution passed by the executive committee of the Democratic party of Shelby county at its meeting on the 7th of March, 1898, a convention of the Democratic party of Shelby county is hereby called, to be held at Columbiana on Monday, August 8, 1898, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Congressional Convention to be held at Talladega Springs on August 9, 1898, to nominate a Democratic candidate for Congressmen from the Fourth district of Alabama.

Delegates to said county convention will be selected by beat meetings to be held on August 6, 1898.

All voters who desire to do so, and who will pledge their support to the nominee of said convention and to the Democratic party, are invited to participate in said beat meetings. The following is the delegates to which each beat is entitled:

Beat 1 box 1—Columbiana,	9.
" 1 " 2—Shelby,	7.
Beat 2—Spring Creek,	1.
Beat 3—Calera,	10.
Beat 4 box 1—Montevallo,	11.
" 4 " 2—Gurnee,	1.
Beat 5—Tylers,	1.
Beat 6—Helena,	4.
Beat 7—Elliottsville,	4.
Beat 8—Yellow Leaf,	2.
Beat 9—Wilsonville,	8.
Beat 10—Harpersville,	10.
Beat 11—Weldon,	3.
Beat 12—Highland,	2.
Beat 13—Bold Springs,	1.
Beat 14—Vandiver,	1.
Beat 15—Sterrett,	1.
Beat 16—Vincent,	1.
Beat 17—Pelham,	3.
Beat 18—Dunnavant,	1.
Total, - - - - - - - -	85

W. B. BROWNE,
Chairman.

There were 500,000 bushels of wheat raised in Alabama this year. It is now wheat, hogs and hominy.

DEMOCRATIC BEAT MEETING.

There will be a beat meeting of the Democratic party held for Beat 4 in the town of Montevallo on the 6th day of August, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the County Congressional Convention, which will meet at Columbiana on the 8th inst., to select delegates to the Congressional Convention of the Democratic party for the Fourth district, which will be held at Talladega Springs on the 9th inst. All voters who desire to do so, and who will pledge their support to the nominee of said convention aud to the Democratic party, are cordially invited to participate in said beat meeting.

Now for incorporation.

Montevallo needs waterworks badly.

Montevallo will soon be incorporated.

Montevallo is still the banner beat of Shelby.

We will now see whether or not the reformers will reform.

The First Alabama regiment, now at Miami, Fla., has been ordered to Porto Rico.

Some citizen could make himself famous if he would invest a few shekels in a nice school building. That is what we need just now.

The election is so close that it will take the official count to decide. But the indications are that the Fusions have elected most of the ticket.

There is a big demand for houses here. If you are looking for an investment, you can't do better than to build a few neat cottages for rent.

Montevallo is the most enterprising city in the State for its size. Let every one pull together, and in a few years we will have a town that can't be beat.

Montevallo needs a good graded school. Our citizens should make an effort to obtain one. Prof. Ruffin will give us one if he can get the proper encouragement.

Subscribe for the News.

The election on last Monday passed off very quietly. We have been unable to get full returns, but it is conceded that the State has gone Democratic by at least 60,000 majority. Our county has gone Populist by a small majority. Other counties in the State elected a full Populist ticket, while others were divided. In Bibb the Democrats elected two county officers—superintendent of education and representative. The Democrats elected all circuit judges and chancellors.

Win and the folks are with you;
Lose, and they call you snide,
For it's been men's way
Since Adam's day
To flock to the winning side.

Next Monday our county convention will meet at Columbiana to select delegates to the Congressional Convention.

While the delegates to this convention are casting about for a candidate, we would like to suggest the name of one of the purest and best sons of Shelby county—an upright, Christian gentleman, a friend to us all—Hon. E. S. Lyman.

It was thought yesterday that the war was about ended, but to-day's dispatches say another hitch occurs in the peace proceedings. Spain objects to our dictating her policy in the Philippine Islands.

There was a wreck on the Birmingham Mineral road at McAdory, near Bessemer, yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Nobody was fatally hurt, but 16 passengers were more or less injured, two seriously.

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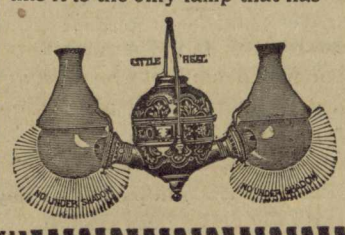

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The editor has an invitation to a banquet of crow up Salt Creek next week.

Mrs. Emma Nash, of St. Louis, is visiting her brother, P. N. Hoskins, at Aldrich.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Mr. John Carlisle, of Talladega, attended the Carlisle-Bryan marriage Tuesday night.

Messrs. Harry Reynolds and Charley Acker returned from Birmingham Tuesday morning

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Misses Ethel Strong and Lucile Fancher left yesterday on a visit to friends at Ashby.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

The young people enjoyed quite a nice sociable at the home of Miss Lois McCauley Tuesday night.

Miss Bessie Hoskins, of Aldrich, has returned from Birmingham, where she has been visiting friends.

Little Miss Ione and Master Frank, children of Dr. and Mrs. F. F. Crowe, are visiting relatives at Blocton.

Quite a crowd of young people came over from Calera to attend the sociable given by Mrs. Payne Tuesday night.

Mrs. C. C. Vandegrift and daughter, Miss Imogene, have returned from their visit to Birmingham and Branchville.

We would suggest that during this wet weather would be a splendid time to sprinkle lime freely about your premises.

Mr. C. C. Vandegrift, general sales agent for the Campbell Coal Mining Company of Imogene, has gone to Demopolis on business.

While passing stock laws, we trust that some of our up-to-date legislators will pass a law prohibiting other folks' dogs from trespassing on other folks' cribs.

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We were glad to see our young friend, Edgar Cary, looking so well. He reports all of the Montevallo boys at Miami in good health and enjoying themselves finely. Edgar will leave to-morrow (Friday) to rejoin his regiment.

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Private Edgar Cary, of the First Alabama regiment, now at Miami, Fla., reached home on a sad mission last Thursday morning. He came in response to a telegram, saying his brother was very ill and not expected to live. He reached home too late to see his brother alive, but in time, however, to attend the funeral.

NOTICE!

A reward of $5.00 is hereby offered for evidence to convict the party or parties who recently castrated my fine Berkshire boar.

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CARLISLE—BRYAN.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bryan, at 8 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday last. Mr. M. W. Carlisle and Miss Florrie Bryan. The beautiful and impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor of the M. E. Church. Only a few intimate friends were invited. The bride and groom have many friends in our town who extend to them their best wishes for a long, happy and prosperous life. Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle left Wednesday morning for Talladega, where they will in future reside.

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CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the good people of Montevallo and Spring Creek communities for their kind assistance and tender sympathy in our sad misfortune on the evening of July 31st. May God send His richest blessings on them all.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Last Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock the young people met at the Methodist church for the purpose of organizing an Epworth League. Twenty-six members were enrolled, and the following officers were elected:

President, W. B. McCluney.
1st Vice President, Miss Bessie Allen.
2nd " " Miss Myrtle Lawrence.
3rd " " Miss Birdie Allen.
Secretary, Miss Imogene Vandegrift.
Treasurer, Miss Kate Reynolds.

TWO INFANTS DROWNED.

Last Sunday Mr. John Allen, a farmer living near town, spent the day with a friend at Aldrich. With him were his wife and four children, and Mrs. Edwards, his wife's sister, and her baby. During the day a very heavy rain fell, which caused a small stream, which they had to cross coming home, to overflow its banks. On their return home about four o'clock that evening, they attempted to cross this swollen stream, and in doing so the wagon became uncoupled, precipitating its occupants into the water. Mr. Allen succeeded in saving three of the children, but his baby and Mrs. [illegible]ds' baby were drowned before help arrived. Had it not been for the timely arrival of Mr. J. D. Farrington, the calamity would have been much greater. One of the bodies was recovered late Sunday evening and the other Monday morning. Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved families in their sad misfortune.

Dr. Henry Backus, for many years a resident of Montevallo, died in Selma on the 2d inst. at the ripe age of 82. He was a native of New York, but came South at the age of 18, thinking he had consumption. He settled in Selma, studied medicine, married and began his practice there. He gained distinction during a yellow fever epidemic there before the war, and advanced some very important theories in the treatment of diseases. He was a man of great intellect. Some of his professional papers made for him quite a reputation as a ripe scholar. His widow is in a precarious condition, both having been invalids for some time. Many friends here extend sympathy to the bereaved ones in their affliction.

E. C. Blanks, of Lewisville, Texas, writes that one box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was worth $50,000 to him. It cured his piles of ten years standing. He advises others to try it. It also cures eczema, skin diseases and obstinate sores. F. F. Crowe & Co.

A SAD BEREAVEMENT.

It is truthfully said, "Death loves a shining mark." It could not have been portrayed more fully than it was on Wednesday night, July 27th, 1898, when the young spirit of Earl Cary took its flight to the God who gave it.

William Earl Cary was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. Cary. He was 15 years and 4 months old at the time of his death. He was taken sick on Tuesday, July 19th, with an attack of bilious-malarial fever. All that loving hands, tender nursing and medical skill could do was done to save this young boy's life. But God knew best. His will, not ours, be done. Earl lingered until 10 o'clock Wednesday night, July 27th, when he gently fell asleep in Jesus.

A short but impressive funeral service was held Thursday afternoon at the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. P. L. Abernethy, after which the remains were followed to their last resting place in the Montevallo cemetery by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives, there to await the resurrection morn.

Many friends deeply sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Cary in the loss of their dear son, it being the first death that has occurred in their family.

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THE LITTLE ARMCHAIR.

Nobody sits in the little armchair,
It stands in a corner dim,
But a white-haired mother, gazing there,
And yearningly thinking of him,
Sees through the dusk of long ago
The bloom of her boy's sweet face,
As he rocks so merrily to and fro,
With a laugh that cheers the place.

Sometimes he holds a book in his hand,
Sometimes a pencil and slate:
And the lesson is hard to understand,
And the figures hard to mate:
But she sees the nod of the father's head,
So proud of his little son,
And she hears the word so often said,
"No fear for our little one."

They were wonderful days, the dear sweet days,
When a child with sunny hair
Was hers to scold, to kiss and to praise,
At her knee in the little chair,
She lost him back in her busy years,
When the great world caught the man,
And he strode away past hopes and fears
To his place in the battle's van.

But now and then in a wistful dream,
Like a picture out of date,
She sees a head with a golden gleam
Bent over a pencil and slate,
And she lives again the happy day,
The day of her young life's spring,
When the small arm-chair stood just in the way,
The center of everything.

MARGARET E. SANGSTER.

Siege of the Wallow.

A Brave Frontiersman's Deed.

The western "bad man" was in a reminiscent mood and he remarked that he knew of no parallel to the heroism of Amos Chapman.

"To fight Indians was bad enough," he continued, "but to be corralled by them in a buffalo wallow and held there by them, and water up to your neck—that is an inferno with the lid off.

"I knew Chapman quite well. He had been on the frontier a long time. He was from the East. He had hunted buffalo, traded with Indians, fought with them in 1868, and finally married a Cheyenne. He was not more than 30 years old, tough, sure shot, good interpreter, fearless rider, and as brave as a man could be.

"It was in September, 1874, that Gen. Miles' command was camped on the Red River, in the Texas Panhandle, where it had followed the retreating Indians, or rather the main body of them, Prairie Dog Dave and I were selected as the two scouts to carry despatches from Gen. Miles to Major Compton, whose command was located on McClelland Creek. about seventy-five miles to the north. Some of the despatches were really intended for Camp Supply, in the Indian Territory, still further north, but our instructions were simlp to deliver them to Major Compton. Dave and I hoped to be sent on to Camp Supply with them, for we needed some new and warmer clothes, as it was beginning to be cold nights.

"We were not clad in buckskin and beads as scouts are usually pictured. Our clothing simply consisted of a pair of cheap overalls, calico shirts, soft hat and a pair of boots. We had lived in them all summer and thought it about time to change them. We reached Compton's camp without incident and cursed our luck when we received return despatches to Miles, while ours were turned over to Billy Dixon and Amos Chapman to take to Camp Supply. Later when we learned what they went through we took it all back.

"It was known that there was a marauding band of the red devils somewhere in the vicinity, but, like the Irishman's flea, it was a difficult matter to put a finger on them. They might be in one spot one day and fifty miles or more away the next. It was considered best to send a sergeant and five soldiers with the scout for greater security, and, as was customary, they took an unbeaten trail to their destination.

"Now, it happened that this roving band of reds, numbering fully 300 warriors, had been laying a five days' siege to Jack Callahan's twenty-five six-mule Government supply train in the sand hills of the Wachita river. The train was bringing supplies from Camp Supply down to Gen. Miles. It was surprised at this bad place for a fight, and was forced to go into corral. This is done by putting two wagons together in A shape, stringing the rest down the sides, and closing them up at the other end V way. The mules and horses are kept comparatively safe in the inclosure made by the wagons, while the teamsters and soldiers get what protection they can from behind the wheels or by digging rifle pits beneath the wagons. They can shoot with little danger of being hit. Such a corral can stand off an army of Indians until the water gives out. The Indians attacked the train for five days, killing one Lieutenant, two soldiers, and some of the animals. Their loss was heavy. Soldiers of Company K. Sixth Cavalry, Capt. Kingsbury, from Camp Supply, had appeared upon the scene driven off the Cheyennes, and relieved the besieged.

"Chapman and Dixon, with their little escort, had crossed the Wachita, some three or four miles below where the pack train had been held up, but, of course, knew nothing of its presence or that of the Indians. On a rolling prairie country such as they were in it is a difficult matter to see any great distance on account of the knolls and hollows. They were coming out of a small draw or canon, when suddenly they espied the savages, who were almost directly upon them. There was but one thing to do, and that was to get out upon the open prairie, where there would be a chance to fight. Temporary protection would be afforded by getting behind things in the canon, but it would only be a matter of a short time when they would be surrounded and shot at from all directions. As experienced men, they knew this. A dash was made for the prairie, and they reached it in a shower of shot. It is impossible to shoot well from the back of a rapidly moving horse.

"It was the plan to find a buffalo wallow, lie as flat as possible in it, and shoot until dead. Before such a place was found the scouts and soldiers dismounted, so as to shoot better and keep the Indians from getting too close before they could get into cover. A couple of dead Indians will stop one hundred live ones from coming too near. One soldier held the bridle reins of the horses while the rest of the men retreated behind them and shot at the advancing host. The Indians likewise dismounted, so that they could also shoot better and not be such good targets. It may seem strange that such la large body of Indians would not make just one charge and overwhelm the white men by force of numbers, but that is not the Indian way. They will not take a risk if they can help it. They will not trade anywhere near even with the white man when life is at stake.

"Before a buffalo wallow could be found the soldier holding the horses was shot and killed and the animals stampeded. Then there was a race for life to the nearest hole. Some thirty feet from one another soldier was shot, but not killed. He lay there and yelled in the agony of fear and pain.

"'Don't let them scalp me, boys! For God's sake don't let them get me!' he shrieked. The rest had safely got into the wallow.

"It was with this appeal ringing in his ears that Amos Chapman, without a word to his mates, but just a yell, 'I'm coming,' sprang up out of the wallow, his six-shooter in hand, ran to the wounded man, seized and sought to drag him back. The Indians fired a volley at him and made a rush toward him. I don't know how many shot were fired at Chapman, but the only place he was hit was below the left knee. The bone was shattered to splinters. Some of the bullets hit the dying soldier and hastened his end. Chapman's leg gave way under him like a piece of rubber, but he never weakened or let go. Reaching ahead with his good leg and the knee of the left, he dragged the soldier along with his left hand, piece by piece, firing his gun with his right.

"The men in the wallow kept up a fusillade and the Indians were held back. Painfully but persistently Chapman dragged himself and the man along. Sometimes he sought to rise hoping that the leg would hold, but it doubled under him. It did not take many minutes for all this to happen. Chapman and the wounded soldier reached the hole, where the latter died in a little while. Now, if that isn't an example of heroic bravery, then I don't know what is. One might criticise his judgment, but not his bravery. He could not and would not see that soldier slaughtered and scalped, and put his own life in peril to prevent it. Had he been killed the lives of all the others would have been placed in still greater jeopardy by the loss of a defender, but those things were not thought of. There was but one idea, and the instant it was conceived it was put into execution. Dixon would have done the same thing had not Chapman been quicker. When I think of such things to-day I believe that men like Chapman should have a monument. He got a cork leg from the government and a second lieutenant's pension when he retired.

"I cannot go into the details of the uneven fight that followed, for I was not there, and only know the story from what Dixon and Chapman afterward told me. The ordinary buffalo wallow, which is made by buffaloes rolling and wallowing around in the soft earth, is about a dozen feet in diameter and perhaps two or three feet deep. The men cut away the dirt from around the edge with their knives and threw the loose material up in front. This afforded greater protection, as only the head was exposed, and then only when firing, which had to be kept up.

"They stood off that big band of cowards all that day, and it must have been something awful. The shooting on the part of the Indians was almost continuous, for there were a lot of them, and they had plenty of ammunition, as they captured a lot of the horses. Three more of the soldiers were killed, the sergeant was shot twice, and, in fact, the only one to escape with a whole skin was Bill Dixon.

"Just to illustrate what curs Indians are, they just camped around that buffalo wallow, hiding behind their horses, shooting, while some of them yelled in English to Chapman to come out and fight. Just think, they wanted him to stand up and be shot at by the 300. They were anxious to kill him particularly, for he had married one of their squaws and was against them.

"That night there was a terrific rainstorm, which filled the wallow to the brim with water. The wounded men had to keep their heads above water so as not to drown, while they had to keep their guns and ammunition dry and be constantly on the watch for an attack. I need not dwell upon the horrors of that night and of the sufferings of these men, who rested their bodies upon those of the dead ones below, and sat through the long hours in the water, thick with the blood that oozed from their wounds and from the remains of their companions. It must have been a fearful experience.

"As Dixon was the only one uninjured, he crawled out of the wallow during the worst of the storm and started south toward Major Compton's command for help. He had no trouble in passing the Indians for they were intent upon protecting themselves from the downpour. Indians do not like water. Dixon traveled fully thirty miles on foot that night in the drenching rain, and as day broke he took refuge in a clump of wild plum bushes. During the forenoon he saw a body of horsemen in the distance, but it was some time before he assured himself that it was a body of soldiers out scouting. He fired his gun and attracted their attention.

"The party at once started back to the rescue, but some precaution had to be taken. Dixon, with remarkable instinct, brought them back to within a few rods of the wallow, but it was dusk and there was danger of being mistaken for Indians, who, by the way, had cleared out, for reasons known to themselves. It was some time before Chapman could be convinced that it was Dixon calling him and not the Indians who had tried to lure him out by talking English.

"All that day the men had been in torture, and still they were a long way from the hospital. Chapman rode seventy-five miles on horseback to Camp Supply, where the leg was amputated below the knee. He was out in a month, but always had to mount his horse afterward with his left leg, as the Indians do. He and Ben Clark escorted Dull Knife's band of Cheyennes down from the Dakotas to the Indian reservation in 1877. Chapman is living with the Indians now, and Billy Dixon has a ranch at the old 'Dobey Walls.'"—New York Sun.

Mammoth Japanese Painting.

What is probably the biggest picture ever painted was the work of Hokusai, the celebrated Japanese artist, who died in the middle of this century.

In 1871, when the artist was in his 58th year, he paid a visit to Negoya, where several of his pupils had settled. At this time his book illustrations were in great demand, and his enemies took occasion to observe that he was capable of nothing more than little drawings of this sort. This irritated Hokusia, who proclaimed, ironically, that if the greatness of a painter were to be measured by the size of his work he could prove himself great indeed. He and his pupils immediately set to work to confound their adversaries, and to make preparation for the drawing in public, by the master, of the largest picture on record.

The paper for the huge masterpiece was specially made, of great thickness, many large pieces being deftly joined to make a sheet of the area of 120 tatami, or Japanese floor mats, Now, as these tatami are invariably of one size —6x3 exactly—it is easy to calculate that Hokusai's big picture was to occupy a sheet of paper of 240 square yards in area. Brushes were made, of which the very smallest were brooms. Ink and color were prepared in barrels, with buckets for convenience of carriage. Upon the vast sheet the master proceeded to paint an immense figure of Daruma, the ancient hermit. The head, from the extreme crown to the lowest of the chin, measured thirty-two feet. Hokusai's signature and the date appeared at the left-hand side, and the whole thing remained suspended on the scaffold till the next day for the wonder and admiration of the crowd, which was vast.—Strand Magazine.

Navy Charts.

No office in the Navy Department has felt the drain upon its stock in trade as has the chartroom of the Hydrographic Office. Chief Craige said recently that almost every ship that is put into commission has gone out with a complete set of maps and charts. "A few of the boats recently commissioned have not received complete sets, and it is all we can do to supply them. The usual number of maps supplied is something less than 300. These are in series and are incased in tin portfolios, each portfolio containing the maps of its especial section of the globe. The department has been working day and night in its printing office rushing out the charts necessary to complete the stock."

Rare Steeple Climbing.

Vienna has been astonished lately by some daring steeple climbing. A steeple jack celebrated the beginning of the festivities for Emperor Francis Joseph's jubilee by climbing in the night to the top of one of the steeples of the Votive Church, 306 feet from the ground, by means of the lightning rods and architectural ornaments, and hanging on it a yellow and black banner twenty feet long. He gave a minute description of the manner in which he accomplished his foolhardy feat to the newspapers. A few nights later some one else imitated him by climbing the steeple and stealing the flag.

Agriculturists in Peru and Chile are paying especial attention to the growing of cotton.

NEXT REUNION IN CHARLESTON

SOUTH CAROLINA METROPOLIS IS SELECTED BY VETERANS.

OLD HEROES PARADE IN RAIN.

Great Demonstration as They Marched Through Atlanta's Streets—Closing Scenes of Reunion.

The next annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans will be held in Charleston, S. C.

By a vote of 1,054 to 870 at Friday's session of the convention of the U. C. V. in Atlanta, the contest between the South Carolina city and Louisville was decided in the former's favor.

The advantages of the two cities and the warmth of the welcomes they held in store for the heroes who wore the gray were pictured in glowing terms by the eloquent representatives which they had sent to capture the veterans.

So deeply impressed were the veterans by the orators from Louisville that the sentiment was expressed that in 1900 they would gather there.

Daughter of the Confederacy.

Shortly before the convention began to act upon the matter of selecting the next place of convocation Miss Winnie Davis was escorted into the hall by members of the Atlanta chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy. No sooner did the old soldiers catch sight of her familiar face than they instantly sent up their hats into the air in rapturous demonstrations of enthusiasm.

General Gordon was specially felicitious in presenting Miss Davis to the veterans. Said he:

"Let me present to you the daughter of President Jefferson Davis, the daughter of the confederacy and the daughter of this organization. Comrades, behold our daughter!"

Immediately after the selection of Charleston as the next meeting place, General Cabell, of the Trans-Mississippi department, stated that as there was no business to be brought before the convention Saturday he did not think there was any necessity for another session.

This announcement was received with approval, and in preparation for winding up the reunion a number of resolutions were passed.

Atlanta was thanked upon the motion of the Washington City delegation for the magnificent reception she had accorded the veterans.

General Gordon was thanked for the able, fair and impartial manner in which he presided over the sessions of the body. General S. D. Lee, and the other officers were also accorded thanks. The closing scene was a magnificent one.

Marched in the Rain.

The parade of the United Confedate Veterans' association, which was one of the grandest sights ever witnessed in Atlanta and which promised to be one of the largest ever seen in the south, was interfered with by a heavy downpour of rain Friday afternoon, which caused more than half of the participants to disperse and seek shelter.

Though the rain fell in torrents and the streets were small rivers, the majority of the grizzled old veterans marched through it as they did in the sixties and seemed to enjoy it. Thousands of Atlanta's citizens and tens of thousands of visitors watched and cheered the mud-bespattered heroes as they marched to the tune of "Dixie" and slowly wiped the water from their faces and wrung it out of their coats.

The sight was a remarkable one and one that will never be forgotten by those who were fortunate enough to witness it. Here were hundreds of old veterans, who have almost reached the limit allotted to each man as a life, marching light-hearted through the streets of Atlanta behind generals and commanders who led them in war, not paying the slightest attention to the sheets of rain which beat against them and remaining utterly regardless of the consequences of the exposure.

The first portion of the parade was a grand success and here the veterans were seen in all their glory. True, a light rain fell from the time the parade began to move, but it was not sufficient to interfere with the movements of the old soldiers. So it was that at the given signal and at the sound of "Dixie" from the Fifth regiment band the parade moved off and started on its triumphal, through peaceful, march through Atlanta, which, on that same day, thirty-four years ago, was being defended by the men in gray.

In honor of these old men, who are an honor to their southland, Atlanta's entire population, in addition to thousands of visitors, stood on the streets through which the parade was to make its way, and nothing daunted by the rain, cheered lustily the old heroes as they marched along.

The most remarkable thing of the parade and the most remarkable scene which has probably been witnessed in the city, was the review of the parade by General John B. Gordon.

QUEEN IS TEARFUL.

To Save the Little King She Implores Ministers to Sue For Peace.

A special dispatch from Madrid gives the following account of the queen regent's daily life during the present crisis:

"Poor queen! This is the exclamation so often heard of late, day after day, as matters grow worse and worse as the Spanish disasters repeat themselves, and as the throne of the little king seems slipping away from her hands, into which it was given trust. I see her majesty looking careworn and anxious. Even her drives are becoming fewer and fewer.

"It would surely appeal to any mother in the world were she to see the way this queen-mother each day seems to cling closer and closer to her boy, as though to shield him from the dangers closing about him with almost fatal force. It is touching to witness it. Her worst enemies recognize in the queen personal qualities worthy of the highest admiration. The queen used every means at her disposal to prevent war. Her great hope lay in Senor Moret (Senor Moret y Prendergast, the former minister of the colonies), and he would have carried his point but for Senor Gullon, the former minister for foreign affairs.

"Today and ever since the war began the great occupation of the queen is to find the quickest way for its termination. At many of the councils of late held at the palace the queen has burst into tears, begging and urging her ministers to seek a solution for the terms of peace, which they seem incapable of materializing. Peace —which the queen with common sense sees to be of such vital importance, and which her ministers keep postponing with the word so fatal to Spain —Manana (tomorrow). The queen has taken every chance offered in the council of putting in a word for peace, and, little by little, she has finally managed to bring the cabinet to her view and to thoughts of peace."

TOWN DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Two Hundred Houses, Twenty Stores and Three Hotels Burned.

A special from Halifax, N. S., says: The town of Pugwash, 1,200 inhabitants, a shipping port of considerable importance on the straits of Northumberland, was wiped out by fire Monday, 200 dwellings, five churches, twenty stores, three hotels and several mills being destroyed. The fire started in a business block through a lamp exploding, and a high wind and the complete absence of water supply or fire-fighting apparatus soon carried the flames beyond control.

The fire swept through whole blocks with lightning-like rapidity, and people fled for their lives, losing everything. The inhabitants are now encamped in the fields; many are reported missing. Relief is being organized in every direction.

HOBSON VISITS PRESIDENT.

MERRIMAC HERO ACCORDED AN OVATION AT THE CAPITAL.

HE IS AWARDED A CONTRACT.

Will Raise the Colon and Maria Teresa. He Will Visit His Mother at Lithia Springs, Ga.

Lieutenant Hobson, after a busy afternoon Friday in Washington, where he was given such a reception as has not been accorded a popular hero in modern times, left again for New York. He is there to confer with a wrecking company as to its ability to send men and machinery at once to Santiago to raise the Maria Teresa and the Cristobal Colon.

The wrecking experts sent from Newport News have reported adversely on the Colon, claiming that it could not be floated. Hobson says it can, and visited Washington to urge the president to take his testimony rather than others, and to give the contract at once to a company to raise the vessel. He succeeded in convincing the president and Secretary Long that his judgment in the matter was correct, and they authorized him to go to New York and make terms with the contractors.

Lieutenant Hobson proposes to pay two visits before he starts again to Cuba. One is to his mother at Sweetwater park hotel, Lithia Springs, Ga., and the other is to Annapolis, where he goes to thank Admiral Cervera for the message he sent to Sampson.

"The relief it must have given my mother alone," he said, "will make me deeply grateful to the admiral forever, and I am going in person to thank him for that simple but thoughtful act."

PRESIDENT THANKS VETERANS.

Sends Message to Gen. Gordon Regarding Reunion Resolutions.

President McKinley is truly grateful for the sentiments of loyalty and allegiance expressed by the message from the confederate veterans sent by Commanding General Gordon during the reunion held in Atlanta and has so expressed himself in a letter.

The letter which the president writes to General Gordon is as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23. To Hon. John B. Gordon, Commander-in-Chief United Confederate Veterans, Atlanta, Ga.— Dear General Gordon: Your recent telegram in behalf of the United Confederate Veterans was very welcome and I would have written to you before in acknowledgement, excepting for the unusual demands upon my time.

The present war has certainly served one very useful purpose in completely obliterating the sectional lines drawn in the last one. The response to the union's call to arms has been equally spontaneous and patriotic in all parts of the country. Veterans of the gray, as well of the blue, are now fighting side by side, winning equal honor and renown. Their brave deeds and the unequaled triumphs of our army and navy have received the gratitude of the people of the United States.

To have such a hearty commendation from yourself and your colleagues of the work of this administration in the conduct of the war and the pledge of whatsoever support may be needed to help in bringing it to a successful completion, is indeed most gratifying, and I thank you especially for the frank and cordial expression of the resolutions passed and forwarded to me. With very kind regards, I am, sincerely yours,

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

The resolutions adopted by the United Confederate veterans, which were telegraphed the president and which were responsible for his letter of thanks, follow:

"Whereas, the United States of America are at present engaged in a war with Spain in the interest of human liberty, and,

"Whereas, our comrades and our sons are members of that glorious army and navy, the achievements of which are now the wonder of mankind; therefore, be it,

"Resolved, "That we, the members of the United Confederate Veterans, pledge our government the support of the organization in this crisis of affairs, standing ready at all times with men and money, irrespective of political affiliation, to support the president of the United States as commander-in-chief of our army until an honorable peace is conquered from the enemy."

The passing of the resolutions was one of the most significant things that the convention of veterans did, and will be appreciated by all patriotic citizens, who love to know that the country is reunited and that the confederate veterans are as anxious to fight for the stars and stripes as they were for the stars and bars thirty-eight years ago.

SONS OF VETS ADJOURN.

Last Day's Session Devoted to the Fair Sponsors.

The final session of the convention of Sons of Veterans was held in Atlanta Friday morning at 11 o'clock in the hall of the house of representatives. It was the occasion of a reception to the sponsors of the camps of Sons of Veterans and a very elegant affair.

Little business was undertaken, as it was not intended to take up any work. A few changes were, however, made in regard to the regular order of business. The most important of these was the election of every sponsor present or any one who represented a camp of the Sons of Veterans at the present reunion as honorary members of the federation.

PRISONERS GREET OUR FLAG.

Spanish Express Gratitude at Their Kind Treatment.

A Portsmouth, N. H., special says: It is learned that a remarkable demonstration occurred at Camp Long, on Peavey's island, where the captured sailors of Admiral Cervera's fleet are confined. As the United States gunboat Froline passed the island on her way to Cuba hundreds of the prisoners greeted the vessel with cheers and waving of hands.

The ovation took the Americans by surprise. The outburst was regarded by those in charge of the camy as a result of good treatment received here by the Spaniards, who took this method of expressing their g:atitude.

BRITISH SHIP CAUGHT.

She Was Taken as a Prize For Trying to Run the Blockade.

The British steamer, Regulus, of about 1,500 tons, was captured by the United States auxiliary gunboat Hawk nineteen miles from Sagua la Grande, province of Santa Clara, and was taken to Key West. She had landed a cargo at Sagua la Grande and was coming out when taken. The Hawk hailed her by megaphone and told her she was a prisoner for running the blockade.

No protest was made to this and Ensign Schofields was put aboard with a prize crew.

EMPLOYMENT OFFERED

In Advance to Officers of the Spanish Army In Cuba.

The Madrid correspondent of The London Observer says: The condition of government is now most critical and the authorities are devoting all their attention to preventing a revolution and safeguarding the dynasty.

The government offers the 8,000 officers of the army in Cuba employment immediately upon their return to Spain, with the object of removing their opposition to the establishment f peace.

MONTEVALLO, ALA., Aug. 3, 1898.

EDITOR NEWS:

My attention has been called to a caluminous report which was, during the last few days of the campaign, circulated in the Dogwood community, to the effect that Rev. N. J. Jarvis had bartered his suppart to me. I ask the privilege, through the medium of your journal, of doing simple justice to Mr. Jarvis by an emphatic refutation of the charges.

Possibly it resulted from some careless expression of a thoughtless and reckless person; but from whatever cause it arose, a man's reputation is too sacred to be so ruthlessly handled. I can not believe that any one who is acquainted with Mr. Jarvis and myself would for a moment credit such a slanderous report. To such as may not be advised of his character, I desire to say that Mr. Jarvis is honest in his convictions on every question and expresses them boldly and fearlessly. Such a man is never susceptible to bribery, and the aspersion will be treated with deserved contempt by those who know him. Mr. Jarvis and I have ever been personal friends. My observation is that he is conspicuously honest and candid in political matters. Four years ago when I was first a candidate, he came to me and expressed regret that he would have to vote against me, which his allegiance to his party compelled him to do. I expressed to him then my appreciation of his candor, and assured him that our present relations would not be the least disturbed. Upon my recent nomination, he came to me and without the slightest solicitation said he had made up his mind to vote hereafter for men whom he thought best qualified for office, and on this ground would support me, but expected to vote the Populist ticket with this exception. He asked me to so inform Judge McMillan, who had solicited his support. Some men who had reached the same determination were lashed back to old allignments by the cry of "traitor," "bribe taker," etc.; but it is only another evidence of the sturdy honesty, independence and courage of Mr. Jarvis that he could not be shaken from his conviction of right. I have too much appreciation and admiration for manhood and integrity to insult such an one by even a suggestion of remuneration for political support. Anything to the contrary is slanderous and basely false.

Yours truly,
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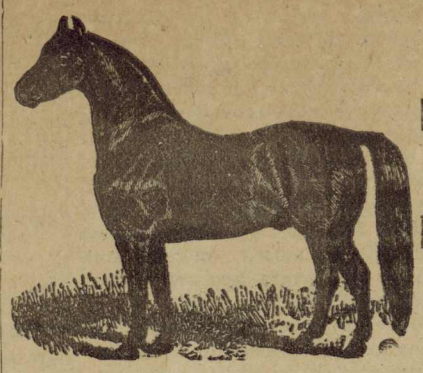

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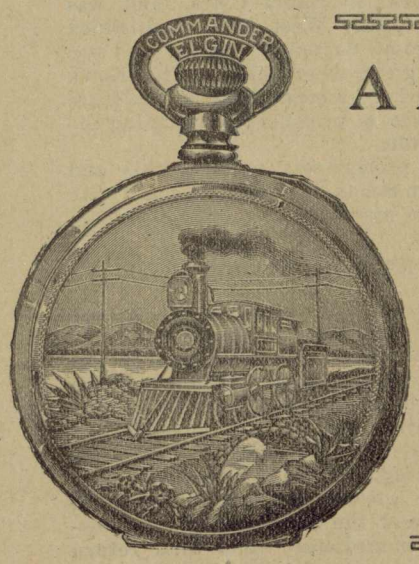

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SOME TIME.

Some time, when all life's lessons have been learned,
And sun and stars forevermore have set,
The things which our weak judgment here has scorned—
The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet—
Will flash before us out of life's dark night,
As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue;
And we shall see how all God's plan's were right,
And how what seemed reproof was love most true.

And we shall see, that while we frown and sigh,
God's plans go on as best for you and me;
How, when we called, he heeded not our cry,
Because his wisdom to the end could see:
And, e'en as prudent parents disallow
Too much of sweet to craving babyhood,
So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now
Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth good.

And if, some time, commingled with life's wine,
We find the wormwood, and rebel and shrink,
Be sure a wiser hand than yours or mine
Pours out this potion for our lips to drink;
And if some friend we love is lying low,
Where human kisses cannot reach his face,
Oh! do not blame the loving Father so,
But bear your sorrow with obedient grace.

And you shall shortly know that lengthened breath
Is not the sweetest gift God sends his friend,
And that sometime the sable pall of death
Conceals the fairest boon his love can send.
If we could push ajar the gates of life,
And stand within, and all God's workings see,
We could interpret all this doubt and strife,
And for each mystery find a key.

But not to-day. Then be content, poor heart;
God's plans, like lilies pure and white, unfold;
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart:
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold.
And if through patient toil we reach the land
Where tired feet, with sandals loose, may rest,
When we shall clearly know and understand,
I think that we shall say that "God knew best."

—May Riley Smith.

THE WORLD'S STOCK OF STATESMEN.

With Gladstone and Bismarck gone, it may be interesting to enquire what is left of the world's tsock of statesmen.

So far as has been demonstrated, there are very few men of Gladstonian or Bismarkian calibre before the public, although there is doubtless plenty of material at hand should occasion call for men of that calibre, for it is true in a certain measure that great statesmen are the product of great occasions. Lord Salisbury, for example, would be acknowledged a great statesman if Great Britain were precipitated into some great foreign war. Then it would be seen that the remarkable care exercised by Salisbury, his minute preparation for that very emergency, the success attending British enterprise, would all mark him as one of the greatest statesmen England had produced. As it is, he passes for a man of affairs, as a careful handler of coalition elements and a wise man in his generation. In popular estimation, he is not a national hero. Balfour, the nephew of Lord Salisbury, rests in the same disadvantageous position, but it is generally said of him that he is unusually strong, and has in him the making of a statesman of the first class. Jeseph Chamberlain, the Liberal leader, is likewise a prominent feature, a man with a future, and of George Curzon, the under secretary for foreign affairs, it is truly said that he understands foreign politics better than any one else in Great Britain. He has travelled much, has been intimately associated with national affairs, and has a natural turn for statistics. The smartest diplomat in the British service is undouhtedly Lord Dufferin, ambassador to France, and sometime governor-general of Canada and viceroy of India. However, his age precluded the idea of his being a future leader of British affairs.

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France offers us literally nothing. It is impossible for any one to be a statesman under the French constitution. That instrument seems to have been designed for the purpose of keeping out the "man on horseback," in other words, to prevent the rise of any one to popularity in the public service. If such is its design, it fulfills it well. Faure the president, comes as near being a popular idol as any person in France, yet he is far from reaching the pinnacle of greatness. He sprang from the ranks and has worked himself up to great wealth and to political prominence, and he is doing the best he can under the constitution to give France a good government, but of greatness in him we see no sign.

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The passage of Prince Bismarck through German history was like the flight of a meteor, so brilliant as to obscure all other stars of the heaven, and the glamor left behind prevents our seeing clearly what remains. William the German emperor remains, it is true, with talents hidden by his unfortunate mannerism. Like Martha, he is busy in many things, but the occupation is not as creditable to him as to the saintly character of the New Testament. In fact, he does so many things and such little things that it is extremely difficult to see that he has any merit; yet, if we study the results, we will have to give him a high rank among modern statesmen. He has virtually been his own premier since Bismarck retired eight years ago, and as a rule he has succeeded in forcing through his measures. He has not kept down socialism, but even Birmarck could not do that: and he has failed in some of his efforts to bring Germany up to his military standard, but, taken as a whole, he has pushed his country forward. German interests have not lost anything while in his hands. Wait until he works down to his bearings, as engineers say, and possibly we have a man that will challenge the world's admiration. We notice that he hae begun to explain himself, and that is a good sign. In his neighborhood we observe no one but Count von Waldersee, Von Moltke's chief of staff, a man of high purpose and great experience, but who will hardly emerge from the background as long as William holds the centre of the stage.

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In Russia, there is Podobenowszew, high procurator of the holy synod, an office equivalent to a minister of public worship for the state church. Under Alexander II, who was too much of a European to like him, he had but a secondary position, but under his pupil, the present emperor, he has become all-powerful, the more so because his orthodoxy wears the national garb, and he insists that the break down of the Nicholas I system was caused by the attempt to govern with ministers of German origin. He, seconded by Count Tolstoi, has been the originator of the dreadful persecutions for religion's sake that have disgraced recent Russian history. He initiates foreign policy, also, which is ostensibly under the control of Baron de Giers, the only influence of the latter being to mitigate the decrees of the actual foreign minister. If tolerable relations with England, Austria and Germany have been maintained during his regime, this is for the most part the merit of De Giers, the foreign secretary, whose influence with the czar lies in the cleverness with which he appears not to exercise any. Of Podobenoszew, backed by the powerful influence of an automatic czar, we are likely to hear more in future.

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Austria since the union of 1867 has produced no great men. It may be said that men who conduct compromise governments cannot become great, since they cannot advocate or follow any policy but that of concession. In Italy's political world we find no truly great men to-day. Those whom we thought great are tainted with the scandal of corruption in office; they have fallen from the pedestal upon which popular favor placed them. There is, however, one great man in Italy, one worthy to stand side by side with Gladstone in personal purity, and by the side of Bismarck in firmness of purpose, namely, His Holiness Leo XIII. Successor of a similar pope, he has become a conqueror by following a different policy: neglecting none of the interests confided to him, abandoning none of the claims of his organization, holding firmly to his temporal rights, he has yet so measured his powers against his opponents as to win in every contest, and to gather strength with each winning. Under his sway the church has become plainly manifest to all as first and foremost, not as a political entity, but as the loving mother; and he has made his religion respected even by its enemies. Personally he has refused to have enemies, his towering intellect commands the admiration of the world's thinkers, while his nobleness of soul marks him as one of the finest specimens of manhood. In the moral world he has achievod greater victories than the conquests that have crowned the banners of military heroes.—Mobile Register.

TEACHER: "Who discovered America?" Street Gamin (after deep thought): "I disremember his name, but he was a Dago."—New York Weekly.

Lost his Life Saving Others.

A country boy visiting New York stopped a frantic runaway team that was about to dash on the sidewalk where there were hundreds of women and children. He saved their lives, but lost his own. Hundreds of lives are saved every year by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. People who are fast going to their graves with disorders of stomach, liver, bowels and blood are brought back to good health by it. All the sick should try it.

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AN old peasant woman in Cuckinghamshire, extolling the merits of her favorite curate, said to the rector, "I do not say that Mr. Woods is quite an angel in sheep's clothing."—Collections and Recollections.

RELIEF FROM PAIN.

Women Everywhere Express their Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. T. A. WALDEN, Gibson, Ga., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before taking your medicine, life was a burden to me. I never saw a well day. At my monthly period I suffered untold misery, and a great deal of the time I was troubled with a severe pain in my side. Before finishing the first bottle of your Vegetable Compound I could tell it was doing me good. I continued its use, also used the Liver Pills and Sanative Wash, and have been greatly helped. I would like to have you use my letter for the benefit of others."

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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—For two years I was troubled with what the local physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure anyone, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write to you in regard to my case, and can say that by following your advice I am now pefectly well."

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THE LADRONE ISLANDS.

Resources Are Considerable, but the Natives Are a Lazy Lot.

The Ladrone group comprises about twenty islands, only five or six of which are inhabited, the rest being mere dots on the ocean, the tips of volcanoes which have sunk beneath the sea as the crust of the earth at this point subsided. The principal islands of the group are Guahan, Rota, Aguijan, Saypan and Tinian; but the largest, Guahan, which has an area of only 200 square miles, forms nearly one-half the land area of the entire group. Lying as they do, almost under the equator, they have every variety of tropical product, and under proper conditions their population might become wealthy from agriculture alone, for no finer cotton, coffee, sugar or tobacco can be grown in the world than are raised in the Ladrone Islands, but the curse of Spanish rule has blighted every industry. The people labor no more than they are obliged to, and in the tropics no one is really obliged to work, for an abundant supply of food grows without cultivation, and clothing and shelter are almost unnecessary.

The present islanders are mostly descendants of settlers from Mexico or from the Philippine Islands. The people do not differ materially from the natives of the Philippines, and although the islands have several good harbors, the Spaniards have done little or nothing for their improvement. The most considerable town on any of the group is Saypan, on the island of the same name, the houses of which are elevated on piles from two to four feet above the ground. There are few Spanish settlers on the islands, and the hold of Spain upon the group has been for the most part nominal.

It is a singular fact, discovered by Anson, that there are evidence on several of the islands of a former civilization. Cyclopean ruins exist, the architecture and dimensions of the stones closely resembling the great ruins found in the islands of the Greek archipelago. These lonely isles must therefore, at one time, have been a seat of civilization. Perhaps it was before they became islands, for the Ladrone Islands are the remains of a mountain chain, which traverses the Pacific from north to south, having branches to the east in other scattered groups which here and there dot the surface of the sea.

To the United States the value of the islands is at present principally military, as furnishing harbors and coaling stations, but under an enlightened government there seems to be no reason to doubt that with proper cultivation the cotton of the islands would equal that produced along the coast of South Carolina, the sugar would rival that of Cuba and Porto Rico, and it is said that the tobacco of the Ladrones has a flavor equal to that of Vuelta Abajo Valley. Any development within the limits of climate and soil is possible under a civilized government, and the Ladrones may have before them a future as great as that which lies before Porto Rico.

How He Built the Road.

A Washington man who put in ten years of soldiering in the regular army of the United States, five years of it on the frontier with the cavalry in Indian campaigning and the other five in the heavy artillery, was recently appointed a captain and Assistant Adjutant-General in the volunteer service, and he is now attached to the staff of Gen. Miles. He is a man of ability and great unpretentiousness. A few days before he donned his uniform he went over to Fort McHenry, Baltimore, on official business. A War Department clerk went along with him. When the two men arrived at Fort McHenry the new captain pointed to a long shell road that runs through the post.

"Do you see that road?" asked the captain.

"Yes."

"Well, I made that whole road myself. It was as tough a job as I ever performed, and as bitter a period, but it did me a heap of good. I was serving with an artillery regiment, part of which was stationed here, and one night when I was on guard the officer of the day crept up on me unawares and found me sitting down on a pile of gunny sacks, neglecting my post. I got a general court-martial for neglect of duty on post, and was sentenced to six months in the guardhouse. My sentence tickled the old provost sergeant mightily, for he was in need of a steady prisoner to build that road. I built it, and crunched many a million oyster shells building it. I never feel myself feeling chesty and high and mighty, and all that sort of thing, that I don't shut my eyes and think of this shell road over in Fort McHenry."—Washington Star.

Red and Yellow Snow.

An interesting report has been issued by the officials of the Grand Ducal Observatory at Heidelberg concerning recent red and yellow snow falls in Germany. A fall of yellow snow occurred in the Engadine on March and red snow fell to the depth of eight centimetres on the same day at Kardi in Kaernten province, also all over the plateau on which the Konigsstuhl stands; on the Odenwald, too, colored snow fell, the wind driving it into every nook and corner, so that the drifts presented a color varying from rosewood to that of brown. An examination showed that the tint exhibited was due to mineral dust, and the latter has not been finally investigated, it reveals the presence of chalk elements—this, too, notwithstanding the fact of there being no chalk in existence for a long distance from the place where the snow fall was deepest. Of course, this phenomenon is well known to naturalists, snow of a really red color having been found occasionally in polar and Alpine regions, some of the chemical experiments revealing the presence of a certain vegetable substance, like the pollen of a plant.—The Pathfinder.

The Nose Lasts Longest.

Bone and cartilage enter so largely into the structure of the nose and determine its characteristics, that it undergoes little perceptible change, as a rule, with the lapse of years. The brow becomes wrinkled, and crows' feet gather round the eyes, which themselves gradually grow dim as time rolls on; cheeks lose the bloom which cosmetics cannot replace, and lips their fullness and color.

The chin, dimpled in youth, develops angularities or globularities, as the case may be, and the eyebrows become heavy with the crop of many years' growth. The nose shows no mark comparable with these familiar facial indications of the approach of old age, and practically enjoys immunity from the ravages which time makes on the other features of the face. Next to the nose, probably the ears, as a rule, show the fewest and least obvious signs of old age.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Remunerative Chimney Sweeping.

A new tenant, designing to fire his chimney and save the expense of a sweep, hoisted a bundle of burning straw at the end of a pole. A moment later he was startled by a golden tinkling, and glancing down, saw that the old-fashioned hearth was literally covered with gold pieces. Further examination revealed the charred fragments of a leathern bag suspended by a hook in the chimney, while the windfall itself totalled up to nearly $1,500.—Tit-Bits.

British Navy Salutes.

A salute in the British navy between two ships of equal rank is made by firing an equal number of guns. If the vessels are of unequal rank the superior fires the fewer rounds. A royal salute consists of (1) in firing twenty-one great guns; (2) in the officers lowering their sword points, and (3) in dipping the colors.

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It is but little known to the outside world that both France and Italy have adopted the mountain battery as an integral part of the home defenses. When, in 1887, it became uncertain that Italy had joined the Triple Alliance, the then Minister of War in France determined that something must be done to defend the Alpine boundary from even the possibility of invasion in the event of hostilities by the new coalition. For that purpose he organized a perfect system of mountain artillery on the model of the British Indian force, and manned it with specially selected mountaineers. Italy, in turn, was compelled to provide a similar corps for the defense of her side of the range, and soon the two regiments, begotten in haste, began to fraternize and banquet one another. The same amicable relations have existed ever since, and the batteries have established a friendly rivalry that animates both parade and carousal.

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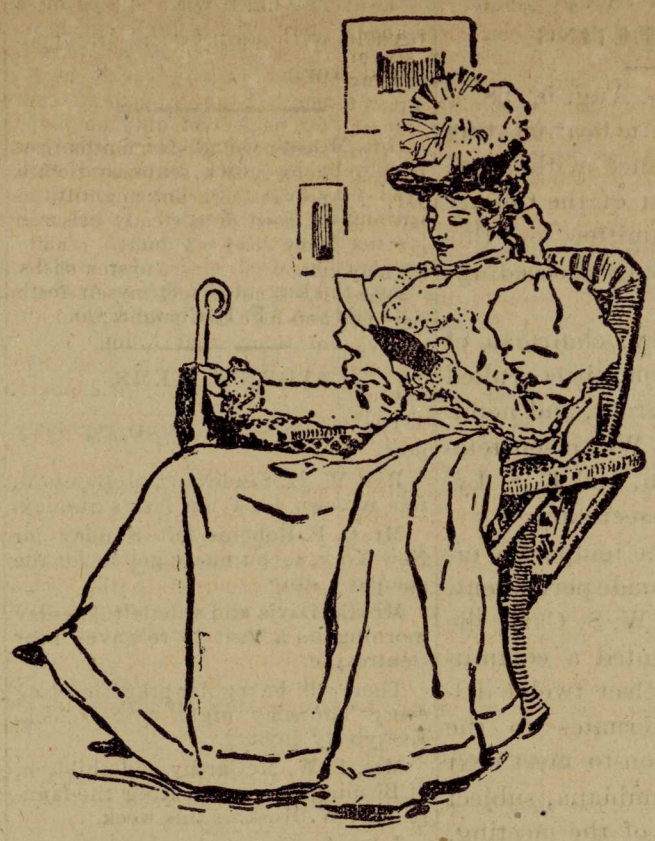

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Thursday, August 11, 1898.

Whoop up the incorporation.

War is still going on, and peace has not been declared yet.

If you are not in favor of incorporation, move to Lonesomeville. Montevallo don't need you.

Hon. Gaston A. Robbins, of Dallas, seems to be the coming man for the next congressman from this district.

We find that it is impossible to even advocate anything one wants. Some of our citizens have become very wrathy at us because we want the town incorporated. Some even accuse us of not owning corner lots.

Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Merrimac fame, has again made himself famous, by having the nerve to accept the kiss publicly tendered him by a pretty girl. We consider this a true test of heroism, and invite the attention of all pretty girls to this fact. We would like to display our heroism in this line.

COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Democratic County Convention was held at Columbiana on the 8th inst. The convention was called to order at 12:30 p. m. T. J. Martin was elected chairman and J. R. White secretary. Most of the beats were represented. The following delegates were appointed to the Congressional Convention which met at Talladega Springs Tuesday: W. T. Smith, J. E. Ruffin, F. W. Gist, T. J. Martin, L. J. Bristow, L. O'Neal and W. H. Bell. Robbins captured the convention. Capt. Plowman's friends were very much surprised. They thought he certainly would carry this county. Shelby will likely give Robbins the nomination.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BEAT MEETING.

MONTEVALLO, Aug. 6, '98.

At a Democratic beat meeting held in accordance with a call of the Chairman of the County Executive Committee, on this day, the following proceedings were had:

C. L. Meroney, chairman of the executive committee, called the meeting to order, and nominated Dr. D. L. Wilkinson temporary chairman, and E. S. Lyman temporary secretary.

On motion, the temporary organization was made permanent.

On motion of W. S. Cary, the chairman appointed a committee of three to select twelve delegates and alternates to the county convention to meet next Monday at Columbiana, subject to the approval of the meeting. Said committee was composed of the following: W. S. Cary, C. L. Meroney and J. D. Farrington.

The committee reported the following names of delegates and alternates, which report on motion was adopted:

Delegates.	Alternates.
E. S. Lyman,	Ben Cunningham
Dr. D. L Wilkinson,	S H. McCauley,
J. D. Farrington,	R. O. Camp,
W. S. Cary,	R. L. Killough,
George Kroell,	M. N. Alexander,
Clifton Newton,	Thos. Randall,
Burgess Little.	A. J. Gentry,
W. B. Reynolds,	James Harris,
Wm. Thompson,	C. B. West,
Frank West,	C. C. Vandegrift,
R. E. Woolley,	R. T. Newton,
Geo. T. Peter.	C, L. Meroney.

Dr. E. G. Givhan moved that the delegation be instructed to vote as a unit for Hon. Thos. S. Plowman, but accepted the following substitute offered by W. S. Cary, which was unanimously adopted by the meeting:

Resolved by the Democrats of Beat 4 in beat meeting assembled, That in recognition of the distinguished services rendered to this community by Hon. T. S. Plowman, and of the injustice done him by a partisan majority in congress, it is the sense of this meeting that he should be renominated by the approaching convention; and the delegates from this beat to the county convention are hereby instructed to use every honorable means to select a delegation to the Congressional Convention favorable to Capt. Plowman's renomination.

There being no further business before the meeting, it was on motion adjourned sine die.

D. L. WILKINSON,
Chairman.

E. S. LYMAN, Secretary.

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ALDRICH ITEMS.

The mines are working regularly now.

Rev. W. H. Studevant, of Bamford, was in town for a few hours Sunday.

Mr. C. F. Robbins left Sunday for New York, to purchase goods for the company store.

Mr. Ed Davis and wife left Tuesday morning on a visit to relatives near Centreville.

There will be regular prayermeeting every Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Everybody invited.

Mrs. F. W. McCarthy and children, of Birmingham, are visiting the family of P. W. Hoskins this week.

John Lewis, a colored miner, was seriously but not dangerously hurt in the mines Tuesday by falling slate.

On Friday night, Aug. 12th, at the hall, there will be held an Epworth League. Montevallo, Brierfield and other points will be represented. Dr. Culm, of Birmingham, is expected to be present, and other speakers will also be there. Let everybody that can, come out and help in the good work.

The protracted meeting, conducted by Rev. P. L. Abernethy, assisted by Bro. Henry Fancher, was brought to a close Sunday night. Notwithstanding the rains, the church was crowded every night, and a great deal of interest was manifested by all who attended. While there were but few additions to the church, the good accomplished will be seen in the future. One result of the meeting was the renewal of vows by the cold and indifferent members, of not only the Methodist, but other churches. At the love feast held on Sunday afternoon, nearly the entire congregation pledged themselves anew to work for God, sparing no effort to advance his cause here upon earth.

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Notice of Incorporation Election

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } Office of Judge of Probate.

A PETITION HAVING BEEN FILED with me by the requisite number of adult male inhabitants of Montevallo, in said county, praying that said town be incorporated for a distance of three-fourths of a mile in every direction, from F. W. Rogan's storehouse, in said town: Notice is hereby given that an order has this day been made by me directing an election to be held in the said town of Montevallo, on

Saturday, the 20th Day of August, 1898

at the usual place of holding State and County elections, and between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 3 o'clock P. M., to ascertain whether or not a majority of the inhabitants of said town are in favor of incorporating the same. Every qualified elector who has resided within the boundaries of the proposed town for three months next preceding the election, may vote at such election.

Done at office on this, the 8th day of August, 1898.

D. R. McMILLAN,
Judge of Probate.

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

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Pastor.

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Mr. C. E. Johnston, of Jones' Switch, was in town Monday.

Mr. A. V. Welsh, of Birmingham, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. George Kroell is having his wagon scales repaired.

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Miss Kate Reynolds is visiting friends in Birmingham.

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Miss Ethel McMath is visiting the family of Mr. Sam Curry, near town, this week.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Rev. M. P. Reynolds went up to the Magic City Monday evening on a visit to his family.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Dr. E. G. Givhan attended the Congressional Convention at Talladega Springs Tuesday.

Mr. Wm. H. Abernethy, of Birmingham, is visiting his brother, Rev. P. L. Ahernethy.

Mr. Frank Kroell went to Birmingham Saturday evening, returning on Sunday morning.

Quite a number of Montevalloites went to Columbiana Monday to attend the convention.

Mr. T. W. Rogan, of Greenville' Miss., arrived in town a few days ago on a visit to his mother.

Miss Realy Sessions is visiting friends at Bismark this week. We wish her a pleasant trip.

We call especial attention to the new legal ad, "Notice of Incorporation Election," on our editorial page.

Mr. Isham Arnold will please accept our thanks for a nice watermelon presented the News force last Friday.

One of Mr. Kroell's cows came near eating one of our merchants last week, because he is so green. He is opposed to incorporation.

Bullbat shooting is engaging the attention of quite a number of sports every evening. A heavy firing is kept up, but few birds fall.

Prof. W. H. Geisler, who has been spending several days with Mr. J. W. Martin, returned to his home at Greensboro Tuesday.

Mr. Vandegrift returned Saturday evening from his trip to Demopolis. He informed us that he sold about 600 tons of coal an this trip.

Major Alex. A. Wall, the clever proprietor of the St. George, will leave next week for Oakman, Ala. We are sorry to lose the Major.

We will give one year's subscription to the News to the person who will kill the Jonah owl that screeches every night in the Holbrook lot.

Work on the new Kroell building is progressing, despite the wet weather. It is to be finished and ready for occupancy by the first of October.

There are a few people who do not take the News, but borrow it from their neighbor. They are actually too stingy to spend two cents a week.

Mrs. Thos. J. Williams, of Selma, a former resident of Montevallo, is visiting her many friends here. She is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Crabbe.

Mr. Henry Lyman, of Birmingham, is visiting relatives here. He comes to Montevallo for his health. We hope he will be benefited by his visit.

Messrs. G. W. Morgan and Walter Cary played with the finny tribe in Killough's pond Tuesday afternoon. We haven't heard yet what luck they had.

W. E. Harrison, of Centreville, was in town Saturday. We are glad to know that he is succeeding in his livery business. He returned to Centreville Sunday morning.

Mrs. Pat Kroell left a few days ago for Shelby Springs, for her health. We hope the change will prove beneficlal, and that she will soon be restored to her usual good health.

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Mrs. M. P. Reynolds and children are visiting Mr. Henry Lyman's family at Birmingham. Mrs. Reynolds has gone for the benefit of her health, which we hope will soon be restored.

Prof. J. E. Ruffin will make his future home at Union City, Tenn., where he has a position in the public school. Prof. Ruffin is a good teacher, and we wish him success where'er he may go.

Our wide-awake merchant, Charley Meroney, left Tuesday afternoon for Cincinnati to buy his fall stock of up-to-date goods. Our readers will hear from him through our advertising columns when he returns.

We notice that there are some people here who prefer to patronize out of town job offices when they want work done. Such people ought to be at some cross roads, where they would have to send off. They are not fit to live in town.

Mr. Thomas B. Ballard, of Marion, Ala.. was in town yesterday, and gave the News a pleasant call. He is representing the Marion Democrat, a free silver paper recently started at Marion. We wish Mr. Ballard much success in his new venture.

Miss Kate Schuford, one of Oxford's most beautiful and fusome young ladies, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. A. Best. Miss Schuford will spend quite a while in our city, and some of our young men are going to try to persuade her to remain here permanently.

Prof. James Moore, of Chilton county, who has many friends in Montevallo, is now book keeper for the well-known firm of Morgan Bros., having succeeded C. N. Pritchard. We are glad to weleome Prof. Moore as a citizen of our town.

While shooting bats Monday evening, the gun in the hands of Jim Perry, colored, bursted. A piece of the cap struck him over the eye, causing the blood to flow freely, but didn't hurt him much. Had it been Jim's heel instead of his head, Rogan might have had a job.

Mr. C. N. Pritchard, for over eighteen months book-keeper for Morgan Bros., resigned his position on the 1st inst. and left on the 2nd for Pontotoc, Miss., where he will visit relatives. He will return about the first of September and take up a school at Belle Ellen. Mr. Pritchard taught school at Aldrich for six years, prior to his coming to Montevallo. He had three other positions offered him besides the one he accepted. Charley Pritchard has many friends in Montevallo and Shelby county, who regret to see him leave, but they wish him unbounded success in "teaching the young ideas to shoot."

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The following young people attended a social function at Mr. Sam Curry's Tuesday evening: S. S. Allen with Mrs. Lawrence; Harry Reynolds with Miss Eunice Latham; Charley Acker with Miss Della Latham; Pat McConaughy with Miss Rhoda Latham; Edgar Allen with Miss Mattye Barker; A. J. Lee with Miss Bertie Allen; Cassie Fancher with Miss Mary Kroell; Burgess Little with Miss Katie Kroell; L. N. Bowdon with Miss Florence Farrington.

Mr. Curry has a spacious residence five miles out from town, and he turned over the entire premises to his friends on this occasion.

NOTICE!

A reward of $5.00 is hereby offered for evidence to convict the party or parties who recently castrated my fine Berkshire boar.

Some party has the 37th volume of my Columbia Encyclopædia. They will greatly oblige by returning.

D. L. Wilkinson, M. D.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted by the M. E. Sunday-school August 7, 1898:

Whereas, Inasmuch as our Heavenly Father has deemed it wise to transfer from our Sunday-school our beloved Earl Cary to a home above, we shall miss him, but must yield to the mandates of Him who doeth all things well, and will lovingly cherish his memory and try to emulate his virtures. Therefore be it

Resolved 1st, That in his death we have lost one of our best and most consecrated members.

Resolved 2nd, That we tender his devoted parents, brothers and sisters our heartfelt sympathy and prayers in this sad hour of bereavement, and commend them to Him who doeth all things for our eternal good.

Resolved 3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his bereaved family, and a copy sent to the Christian Advocate and Montevallo News for publication.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. P. L. Abernethy,
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THE MAKING OF A SOLDIER.

Joe Jerry hoed in a stony field,
Under a sweltering sun.
The boy and the rock and the native weed
Fought for the life in a battered seed,
And the struggle was just begun.

"Get out of the mud and follow me,"
Said the man with the better clothes.
"Against you are vermin and drought and frost;
You will anger nature with labor lost—
Come where a fair wind blows."

But the boy digged on in the stony field,
With the struggle barely begun.
"I put the seed in this ground," said he,
"I think I had better stay and see
Whatever may be done."

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Joe Jerry quarried and placed the stones,
And fitted the timbers true.
Then his neighbors came, with fevered eyes;
"Gold!—pans of gold—just where it lies!
Shall we wait a day for you?"

A soft voice rifted the evening calm,
Singing the death of day.
A tired child came and went with a kiss,
"I have a wife and a home—and this;
I think I had better stay."

"War! On to war!"—and the cry came near—
"There is honor, or fame, for all!"
"I have a dying wife and these;
I shall stay with them if God so please."
But he went at the second call.

"Come on!" they cried. "It's death to wait!"
His face was bleeding and grim;
He picked a rifle out of the dirt
And answered simply: "The Captain's hurt;
I think I'll stay with him."

The Gold of Silence.

An Army Tragedy.

More harm has been wrought in this world by the gold of silence than by the silver of speech. Especially is this true of matters of the heart.

Farland came to realize it in the end; but as he left the commanding officer and walked in his deliberate way across the hop-room to where Miss Cameron stood, he was priding himself upon his ability to hold his tongue, and, with a wretched sort of vainglory, nerving himself to hold it for seven hours longer.

Miss Cameron was talking to the regimental quartermaster, and when she caught sight of Farland, she grew radiant. The regimental quartermaster observed this, and was, of course, annoyed. He went away and left her with the lieutenant.

It is the fate of a woman to be forever smiling. Few men have learned to distinguish that eternal smile. Those who have, have observed the subtlest tragedies of life.

Farland was not one of them. He was too distinctly manly to understand women. He was, therefore, strengthened in his resolve to keep silence when Miss Cameron's expression in nowise changed as he told her that she must excuse him from the next dance.

"I have just seen the colonel, and he has been pleased to inform me that I must leave at reveille."

"For what portion of the globe?"

She gazed over his shoulder in apparent absorption in something at the other side of the room. If Farland had been a student of the sex he would have known that this was overacting. It was one of the many of Miss Cameron's charms that she usually fixed her entire attention upon the person at hand.

"Where are you going?" she repeated.

"To join Blake's command. After that, wherever the will of heaven and the craft of the Apache may lead me."

For just one instant her expression changed. But Farland was not acute.

"Upon a scout, then?" she asked.

"Upon a scout, yes. And as I have to leave before reveille, and, as it is now eleven o'clock, there is no time to be lost."

Miss Cameron was smiling again.

"You will not sleep much to-night. Things must be serious."

"They are," he told her.

There was a pause—one of those intervals when the gods benumb our mental powers that instinct may have fair play. But we defeat their ends. We have trained instinct to lie quiet.

The lieutenant moved uneasily. Miss Cameron, with the delicate much-sung discernment of woman, thought him restless to be gone. She drew herself up to her full height, determined that she was indifferent and hard, and his resolution was enforced.

"You must not let me keep you," she said.

Farland was too well trained to allow his anger and unhappiness to appear in more than an exaggerated unconcern. He took her extended hand.

"Shall you be here when I return?" he asked. His resolution was near to breaking. If her tawny eyes had grown ever so little soft, he would have flung his golden wealth of silence to the winds. But her pride was mighty, and it was aroused.

"My visit comes to an end this week," she said.

"We shall probably meet again," he ventured.

She shrugged her shoulders negligently.

"Probably. One can never be sure that one has seen the last of anybody, in the army." And then she added: "Good-by."

She would have been glad to bow her head upon her arms and to have kept her heartache in silence. Instead, she gave the dance which was to have been Farlands to a married captain, and succeeded perfectly in her effort to appear to enjoy it.

And Farland went out, morally and bodily, into the night. His was the code of honor—which considers not the woman—that holds that if a man may not ask a woman to marry him then and there, neither may he tell her of his love. He thought he was doing right, and he was not one to rail at Fate. A little tempest of temptation had ruffled the deep waters of his conscience for a time. But they were calm again. He remembered with resentment the haughtily poised head, and the placid smile, and the last glimpse he had caught of her through the hop-room window—a yellow-gowned figure, swaying to the music in full enjoyment of life.

Well, she would have gone back to Bayard by the time of his return, and one could never be sure one would not forget—after years. He went into the barracks and gave his orders.

When the brass mouths of the bugles pealed their reveille welcome to the sun, as it shown above the mountains, far across the prairie, Farland and his command were trotting toward Mount Graham, and Miss Cameron, still in the yellow gown, stood at her window with her hands clasped before her, and watched the line of the receding column.

Farland stopped at Bayard two months later. The scout was over, and he was taking his command back to Fort Grant. They were to strike the railroad at Silver City, nine miles away, upon the following day.

He meant to see Miss Cameron. There was no longer a reason for silence. He waited with impatience while the commandant arranged for the disposition of the men. Then he walked with him across the parade. The primroses of the evening were opening, a great, pale flower bursting out here and there in the grass, until, even as he went, all the ground was starred with them, and the children from the officers' line and the laundresses' row were running, laughing, and screaming, and calling out, to gather the handfuls of fragile bloom that would be wilted before tattoo.

Upon occasions of necessity the commandant's long, lank body could bestir itself; but there was no such occasion now, and Major Cameron resented Farland's haste.

"I say, Farland," he protested, "slow up. What is your hurry. You will not get dinner before retreat, anyway."

Little the lieutenant recked of dinner. But he obliged himself to walk more reasonably. Major Cameron talked of the scout and its outcome. Farland tried to listen and to answer. In his joyful anticipation he forgot that he was a sorry-looking sight to go a-wooing, that his face was burned, his nose peeling, and his hair half-cut, and his clothes ragged and dusty Self-consciousness was not one of his faults. The major broke off suddenly in the midst of a tirade against Indian agents, those pet aversions of the line.

"I suppose you are about worn out," he said.

"No," said Farland; "not in the least. Why?"

"You appear not to be able to keep your mind upon anything. You have no notion of what I said last."

"You said 'Mescaleros' last."

"But you have no idea whatever what I said about the Mescaleros."

"I am afraid that's so," Farland admitted.

"And over there at the coral you answered three questions that I hadn't asked."

Farland apologized civilly. But he had seen, through the window, Miss Cameron standing with clasped hands and head thrown back, before the open fire. It was a favorite pose with her, and it recalled so much. The major might as well have addressed his concluding remarks to the flagstaff.

They went into the hall, and the commandant opened the door. "There is Clare," he said; "I believe you know each other. I will go and get Mrs. Cameron." He went away and closed the door again.

Farland was not demonstrative. But neither was he one to delay in carrying out a resolve. He took the hand that the girl held out to him, and then went to the fire-place, and rested his arm upon the mantel and looked at her speculatively.

"I am going to be very rash," he said, "and very precipitate."

She smiled incredulously. "How unlike you!" she said.

"Perhaps; but it is not unlike me to go straight to the point, I think."

She vouchsafed no encouragement. "It is not," was all she answered. She had long since determined that he was an unscrupulous flirt—worse than that, indeed, because he made more pretensions than most men. Now, when she looked into his keen gray eyes, that consoling fiction vanished. She wondered why he did not speak at once of the one thing that might reasonably be expected to be of interest—to herself, at least. But she folded her hands in front of her again, and stood very erect.

When I saw you last in the hop-room at Grant," he said, "I was to all intents and purposes upon half-pay. My mother was alive then, and I was supporting her."

She looked at him, puzzled. Why should he tell her this now? While there had yet been time he had been chary enough of his confidences. While there had yet been time——. She looked at him as he stood there before the fire, young and strong, with his pistol-belt showing beneath his faded blouse, the kerchief knotted around his neck, the dusty boots with their spurred heels, his face so absurdly sun and wind burned, glowing with blonde redness in the fire-light. While there had yet been time——. She checked an inclination to throw out her arms and cry aloud.

"That is why," he went on, "I did not feel justified in telling you—though you might, I should think, have seen—that I loved you."

She went up to him and put her hand upon his shoulder, and tried to speak.

"Well, what?" he asked. He was submitting dully to some blow which he saw, in her hardening eyes, was going to fall.

"I"—she was forcing the words from her throat with a harsh, dry sound—"I married Captain Whitcomb three weeks ago, because—I did not know."

Farland turned away and drew a chair near to the fire. The movement was quite natural, quite free from any gesture of tragedy. He was too stunned to feel the pain at once. That would come afterward, and stay through many years. He sat down in the chair and watched the flaming mesquite-root. It was a little hard for him to draw his breath, and the pain was beginning now, too.

Clare stood upon the other side of the hearth, and looked dully ahead of her. Then she draw her hand, slowly, across her eyes.

"I must go home," she said.

Farland did not answer her, and she went out and closed the door.—Gwendolen Overton, in the Argonant.

Rioters Become Soldiers.

Colonel Anderson, commanding the Second Tennessee Regiment, which is stationed at Camp Alger, was talking with a group of gentlemen from his own State recently.

This gallant officer has already gone through as interesting an experience as he will ever be likely to figure in, whether he joins the Spaniards in deadly combat on the soil of Cuba or in the far-off Philippines. He commanded a force of State troops in the famous Coal Creek strike in East Tennessee, six or seven years ago, and it is almost a miracle that he is alive now to tell about it. The rioting strikers, it will be remembered, burned the stockade and freed a lot of convicts who had been employed in the coal mines. Their desperate conduct necessitated calling out the militia, and Colonel Anderson went to the front to help put a quietus on the rioting.

In some way he became separated from his men and was captured by the strikers, who imprisoned him and came very near shooting him. He was in no wise daunted by his captors, and when they spoke of killing him he defied them to fire. A peremptory demand for his release, accompanied with a threat of wholesale hanging, caused his liberation.

The most curious part of the whole affair is that there are now in the regiment which Colonel Anderson leads a half dozen of the very men who participated in the Coal Creek strike, and who were present when he was captured. They are now, however, on the best of terms with their commander, and are willing to follow him wherever he leads. They are great, big fellows, fine specimens of physical manhood, and are eager for a chance to spill Spanish gore.—Washington Post.

Early Dictionaries.

The first dictionary recorded in literary history is the standard Chinese dictionary, compiled by Pa-Out-She, who lived about 1100 B. C. It contained 40,000 characters, each of which stood for a word, mostly hieroglyphic or rude representations resembling our signs of the Zodiac. This was four centuries before writing was employed by Western people. Anticlides, a contemporary of Alexander the Great, published a Greek dictionary of the words in ancient writings 336 B. C. Another Chinese dictionary was produced about 150 B. C., and Varro's Latin compilation dates back to 116 B. C. The earliest attempts at the compilation of an English dictionary were made by Bullokar in 1616, and by Cockerham in 1623, although a glossary of old English words was prepared in or about 975.

England has obout 150 packs of fox hounds and about 15,000 horses are kept specially for fox hunting.

The effort to make sugar from beets dates back as far as the year 1747.

A SWEET LITTLE IDYLL.

How the Birds Dropped a Wedding Ring Into Janie's Lap.

It was a time for reminiscing, and it was the reminiscence of love instead of war.

"When I was twenty years old," said a veteran of many dollars, "I was working on a farm in Massachusetts not far from Springfield, where lived a pretty little girl as poor as I was, the daughter of a Methodist minister, with whom I was desperately in love. One day, under the shade of a big tree in the churchyard, I told her how much there was in my heart and how little there was in my pocket, and asked her to marry me. She was seventeen and silly, and she consented on the spot. For an hour or more after that we sat under the tree talking over the fair and foolish things that lovers dream, when it occurred to me that an engagement ring was the correct thing for such an occasion, and I began bemoaning the poverty which prevented me getting one for the dearest hand on earth. It was absolutely true, too, for I really did not have enough money to buy a tin ring, much less the only kind I thought Janie ought to have. But Janie didn't care for the ring. She said we ought to thank Providence that we had each other, and let the old ring go. She was on the point of saying more, when she stopped suddenly, gave a little scream and pointed to something bright in her lap. I looked, and there lay a pretty gold ring with a small diamond flashing a greeting to us. At first we were afraid to touch it, but we soon got over that, and as we looked it over we wondered where it had come from, and though we knew that the day of miracles had passed we were both inclined to think it was a blessing from Heaven on our sweet and pure love.

"There was no one in the tree to have dropped it as a joke, but as it could not have reached us by any other way than from above we proceeded to search the tree. Nothing could be seen from the ground, and I climbed up, and there, over in the fork above us, high up, I found a birds' nest building, and knew that the builders had picked the ring up somewhere, for various bits of colored ribbon and rags fluttered about the nest. One of these pieces of silk Janie recognized as the trimming of a lady's gown who came to see her mother, and we decided at once that it was right to see if it belonged to the lady. Thither we went, happy as two children, and Janie went in and I waited outside. Presently she called me in, and when I had, with many blushes, told the story of the ring, the lady gave it to me, and said that it was now mine, to with as I pleased. She hoped I would not forget those who had been my friends when I had no diamonds, and then, right there before the lady I had never seen before, I slipped the ring on Janie's finger and kissed her. As soon as I had done that the lady kissed Janie, and I'll be shot if she didn't kiss me, too, and as we went out there were tears in her eyes glistening like the diamond on Janie's finger."

The English Attack on Cadiz.

Cadiz has been considered the key to Spain. It is one of three cities which Charles V. recommended Philip to keep an eye on. Once upon a time the latter prepared a fleet there. Its destination was England. Its object was to punish Elizabeth for her wicked refusal to marry. But the lady was highly strategic. She knew a trick worth two of that. Raleigh, Essex, gentlemen adventurers and choice persons were sent in advance to argue. They took with them over seven thousand pikemen, more than six thousand cannoniers, and a hundred and fifty sail. When the fleet reached Cadiz the harbor was found fully furnished with men-of-war, galleys, galleons, merchantmen and caracks. Then the historic fight was pulled off. There was the punshing of the galleys, the hulling of the men-of-war, the scurrying, the scuttling, the attack by land and sea, the storming of the citadels, a fall which followed, a sack which ensued and the reduction of Cadiz to a heap of cinders on a wreck-strewn shore. Many choice persons were knighted on the spot. Others were allowed to ransom their prisoners for all they were worth. Those were the good old days. But not for Philip. His part of the entertainment cost him twenty million ducats and a great deal of his desire to punish the contumacious queen.—Collier's Weekly.

Long Terms of French Premiers.

Of the French Ministries called into existence during the Third Republic, the Meline Cabinet, which after a critical delay has been succeeded by M. Henri Brison and his friends, broke the record by one day. The Meline Ministry dated from April 29, 1896, and lasted until June 15, 1898, covering a period of two years, one month, and seventeen days. Up to this time the record had been held by M. Ferry's second Ministry, which existed from February 21, 1883, to April 6, 1885, an existence of two years, one month, and sixteen days. The Ministry with the shortest record is that of Rochebouet, which entered into office on November 23, 1877, and left it December 13 of the same year. A peculiar comparison is offered if one places side by side the long term Premiers of the Third Republic with those former Ministries of France in the time of royalty. Richelieu was premier for eighteen years. Mazarin held office for nineteen years, and Colbert for twenty-two. While over in Spain, Ximenes maintained the Chancelerie at absolute power for twenty-one years. Among the Ministers who have served the greatest number of times in the French Cabinet of the Third Republic, M. Hanotaux is the only one who has always held the same portfolio—that of Minister of Foreign Affairs. He has presided over the destinies of the Quai d'Orsay under four Ministries, his time of office lasting three years, six months and fifteen days. After M. de Freycinet, he has served the longest period. M. de Freycinet has been in the Ministry nine times and has exercised the functions of his office during eight years six months and twenty-seven days. Jules Ferry was Cabinet Minister for three years and five months, M. Constans for three years, four months and six days, and M. Bourgois for three years and two months.—New York Times.

Can an Oil Lamp Explode?

The inquest in the case of Lucy Smith, the thirteen-year-old colored child who was burned to death a few days ago, was re-opened. It was in evidence at the first hearing that a coal oil lamp had exploded and set fire to the girl's clothing.

J. W. Daniels, an expert, testified that he had examined the oil of the same kind as that which is said to have exploded, and found it above the test required by law, and further declared that it was impossible for a coal oil lamp to explode. "It is my opinion," said the witness, "based on years of experiments, that it is an absolute physical impossibility for a lamp filled with coal oil to explode. I have made the tests in every possible way that could be suggested. Lamps have been filled to every degree of fullness and emptiness in these experiments. The wicks have been turned down until they have fallen into the oil in the lamps. Lighted matches have been thrown in and red-hot oil run down into the oil, but no explosion has ever followed.

"In order to have an explosion there must be a vaporous gas generated within the tank. The line is so finely drawn that if there is any oil at all in the lamp it is absolutely safe. Twenty-four drops of oil placed in a one-gallon can will generate enough of this vaporous gas to cause an explosion, but if forty-eight drops are introduced into a can of the same size there will no harm result."—Philadelphia Record.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

There can be little doubt that, if the blessing of good government can be secured to Cuba, the development of the country and the increase of the trade will be very rapid, and nearly with equal step. It will furnish a great field for the development of American capital and for the employment of such labor as can adapt itself to the climate.

Germany has two Frankfurts. The city on the river Main is so much better known than Frankfurt on the Oder (though that has 60,000 inhabitants) that letters from London and Paris are very apt to lose time by being misent. To obviate this difficulty it is recommended, in addressing a letter to Frankfurt an der Oder to write below "bei (near) Berlin."

John Gubbins the owner of Galtee More, the winner of last year's Derby, has just sold the horse to the Russian Government for $125,000. Great pressure was brought to bear on Mr. Gubbins not to let the famous animal leave England, but he replied that he was in the business for a purpose that had nothing to do with his health, and if any British turfman wanted his horse more than the Russians did, there was a way to get it. Then the pressure relaxed.

Some idea of the extent of this country's commerce may be gathered from the statement that the value of exported manufactured articles in the nine months ended March 31 was $208,788,036 or $8,779,348 more than the preceding like period. But the increase of exports of the agricultural products was so much greater that the percentage of manufactures is this year but 23.9 per cent of the whole, against 24,8 per cent in 1897. The export of manufacturers in March were worth $28,214,250, the largest figure ever recorded in any single month.

W. H. Wheeler draws attention in Nature to the effect of gales on tideless lakes and seas, which he says is at times so marked as to cause considerable inconvenience and anxiety to mariners. Thus in the Caspian Sea a gale will raise the water on one side six feet and depress it on the other as much, making a total difference of level of twelve feet. In the Baltic easterly gales will alter the level upward of eight feet. In Lake Erie depressions and elevations of from two to four feet are common, while occasionly heavy gales have produced a difference of level of upward of fifteen feet.

Russia, France, and other European powers, which have suddenly conceived great affection for the United States, are probably no more friendly than they were when they were trying to persuade Great Britain to join in a concerted effort to browbeat us into receding from our demands upon Spain. The change that has come over them is the discovery that the United States is fully able to take care of itself, both at sea and on land, at home and abroad. This is something that always commands the profound respect of the powers. Incidently, they have no desire to be at enmity with the possessor and disposer of the Philippines, muses the New York Commercial Advertiser.

The volume of United States' trade in China now amounts to one-seventh of the foreign trade of that empire, and is swiftly increasing. It is fifty per cent. greater than that of Germany, and is surpassed only by that of Great Britain. Last year nearly one-half of the $17,000,000 in cotton goods exported by the United States was taken by China alone, and American petroleum, wheat, flour, iron and steel and railroad materials are steadily increasing in favor with the Chinese. It is this growing trade of the United States which Russia, Germany and France in part seek to secure by division of China into spheres of influence. Their aim is to monopolize the foreign trade in their respective spheres by closing the door upon all competing nations.

A London paper says that the boy King of Spain amuses himself by drilling a company of guards in the ground of the palace, and in one of the apartments are toy models to the extent of a hundred or more of men and officers of the various regiments of the Spanish forces. These are placed in formations by two or three veteran officers, detailed to impress the delights of warfare upon the young monarch, and often they are presented as fighting troops, and practice various manoeuvres and perform sham battles against another crowd of toy soldiers supposed to be Americans, and which, of course, have to suffer defeat at the hands of the boy King. He has also models of different warships floating in one of the palace lakes, and, in fact, every possible means is being taken to instill into the mind of the royal child that his mission is to defend, and some day if possible, avenge his country. When the little King becomes fractious—and even royal boys can be naughty—by being forced to witness the American dummy soldiers inflict a thrashing on the Spanish, carefully arranged, of course, by the aforementioned veterans in attendance. The little King also likes to trot at the head of a company of boy soldiers sent from time to time to play with him in the palace grounds, and he his happiest when permitted, as a special concession, to beat a drum as they march past.

An Aged Scottish Order.

The Scottish Order of the Thistle is another aged order, but it is at least 370 years younger than the Order of St. Constantine. With commendable discretion, it says it dates only from 787. It must have been founded by Solvathius, King of Scotland, who died in that year, or by Achaius, King of Scotland, who ascended the throne in that year. At all events, 900 years afterward, in 1687, James VII., King of Scotland, re-established it. It is the only one of the higher orders of knighthood that has at present among its members a person not a noble; this person is John D. S. Campbell, commonly called the Marquis of Lorne, son of the Duke of Argyll.

Besides these two ancient orders even the Spanish military orders of St. James of the Sword, 1175, of Alcantara, 1156, and of Calatrava, 1158, seem young, and the Danish Order of Dannebrog, 1219; the Portuguese Order of Christ, 1318; the Swedish Order of the Seraphim, and the English Order of the Garter, 1350, seem quite childish.

A Municipality's Restaurant.

The city of Grenoble, France, has been running a restaurant and kitchen for fifty years. Meals are supplied at cost in the restaurant, or delivered at residences, as may be desired. The food is of the best quality, the cooks are as skillful as any in Paris, and the service is excellent. The dining-rooms are of several grades, according to the attendance, so that all classes and tastes may be suited. One may dine there for three cents on bread and soup, and have his hunger thoroughly appeased, or one can pay twelve cents and enjoy a full course dinner. The best rooms are marble-floored and prettily decorated. There is no financial profit whatever to the city of Grenoble in operating this huge restaurant, which serves from 15,000 to 20,000 meals a day. The charges are based on the cost of the materials used, help, and keeping utensils and buildings in repair.—American Kitchen Magazine.

The Hawaiian Isiands.

The total area of government lands in the Hawaiian Islands is fixed at 1,782,500 acres, divided as follows: valuable building lots, 145 acres; coffee, 76,270 acres; cane, 25,626 acres; rice, 977 acres; government interests in homesteads, 20,000 acres; grazing, 451,200 acres; high forest lands, 681,282 acres; rugged mountain tracts, 227,000 acres; barren lands, 300,000 acres.

Curious Facts about Trees.

It is a curious fact that the roots and branches of a tree are so alike in their nature that if a tree be uprooted and turned upside down the underground branches will take to themselves the functions of roots, and the exposed roots will in time bud and become veritable branches.

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Sales Increasing.

The largest retail drug store in America is that of Hegeman & Co. on Broadway in New York City. A reporter who went there to learn how Ripans Tabules were selling bought a five-cent carton and asked: "Do you have much call for these?"

He was referred to a gentleman who proved to be the head of the department. He said:

"The sale of Ripans Tabules is constant and is increasing, due especially to the influential character of the testimonials in the daily press, and growing out of these, through the recommendation of friend to friend. Satisfaction with them is very general. When once they are begun I notice that a permanent customer for them is made. This, I believe, is through their intrinsic merit, which proves the bona fide character of the advertising. I think them specially useful in the general run of stomach troubles."

An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

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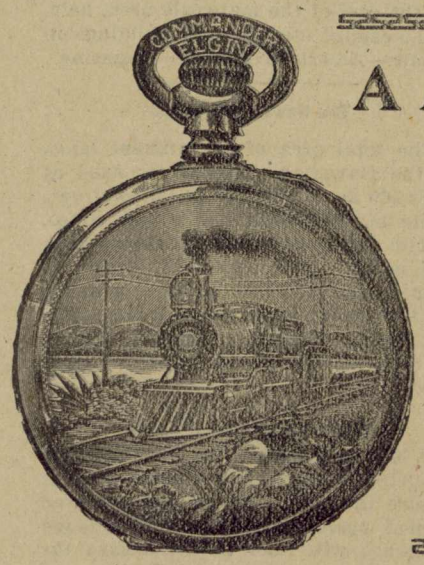

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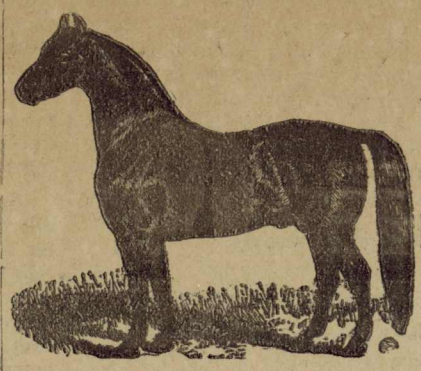

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SOME TIME.

Some time, when all life's lessons have been learned,
And sun and stars forevermore have set,
The things which our weak judgment here has spurned—
The things o'er which we grieved with fruitless wet—
Will flash before us out of life's dark night,
As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue;
And we shall see how all God's plan's were right,
And how what seemed reproof was love most true.

And we shall see, that while we frown and sigh,
God's plans go on as best for you and me;
How, when we called, he heeded not our cry,
Because his wisdom to the end could see:
And, e'en as prudent parents disallow
Too much of sweet to craving babyhood,
So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now
Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth good.

And if, some time, commingled with life's wine,
We find the wormwood, and recoil and shrink,
Be sure a wiser hand than yours or mine
Pours out this potion for our lips to drink;
And if some friend we love is lying low,
Where human kisses cannot reach his face,
Oh! do not blame the loving Father so,
But bear your sorrow with obedient grace.

And you shall shortly know that lengthened breath
Is not the sweetest gift God sends his friend,
And that sometime the sable pall of death
Conceals the fairest boon his love can send.
If we could push ajar the gates of life,
And stand within, and all God's workings see,
We could interpret all this doubt and strife,
And for each mystery find a key.

But not to-day. Then be content, poor heart;
God's plans, like lilies pure and white, unfold;
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart:
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold.
And if through patient toil we reach the land
Where tired feet, with sandals loose, may rest,
When we shall clearly know and understand,
I think that we shall say that "God knew best."

—May Riley Smith.

THE WORLD'S STOCK OF STATESMEN.

With Gladstone and Bismarck gone, it may be interesting to enquire what is left of the world's stock of statesmen.

So far as has been demonstrated, there are very few men of Gladstonian or Bismarkian calibre before the public, although there is doubtless plenty of material at hand should occasion call for men of that calibre, for it is true in a certain measure that great statesmen are the product of great occasions. Lord Salisbury, for example, would be acknowledged a great statesman if Great Britain were precipitated into some great foreign war. Then it would be seen that the remarkable care exercised by Salisbury, his minute preparation for that very emergency, the success attending British enterprise, would all mark him as one of the greatest statesmen England had produced. As it is, he passes for a man of affairs, as a careful handler of coalition elements and a wise man in his generation. In popular estimation, he is not a national hero. Balfour, the nephew of Lord Salisbury, rests in the same disadvantageous position, but it is generally said of him that he is unusually strong, and has in him the making of a statesman of the first class. Joseph Chamberlain, the Liberal leader, is likewise a prominent feature, a man with a future, and of George Curzon, the under secretary for foreign affairs, it is truly said that he understands foreign politics better than any one else in Great Britain. He has travelled much, has been intimately associated with national affairs, and has a natural turn for statistics. The smartest diplomat in the British service is undoubtedly Lord Dufferin, ambassador to France, and sometime governor-general of Canada and viceroy of India. However, his age precluded the idea of his being a future leader of British affairs.

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For Leaders in Low Prices!

France offers us literally nothing. It is impossible for any one to be a statesman under the French constitution. That instrument seems to have been designed for the purpose of keeping out the "man on horseback," in other words, to prevent the rise of any one to popularity in the public service. If such is its design, it fulfills it well. Faure the president, comes as near being a popular idol as any person in France, yet he is far from reaching the pinnacle of greatness. He sprang from the ranks and has worked himself up to great wealth and to political prominence, and he is doing the best he can under the constitution to give France a good government, but of greatness in him we see no sign.

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The passage of Prince Bismarck through German history was like the flight of a meteor, so brilliant as to obscure all other stars of the heaven, and the glamor left behind prevents our seeing clearly what remains. William the German emperor remains, it is true, with talents hidden by his unfortunate mannerism. Like Martha, he is busy in many things, but the occupation is not as creditable to him as to the saintly character of the New Testament. In fact, he does so many things and such little things that it is extremely difficult to see that he has any merit; yet, if we study the results, we will have to give him a high rank among modern statesmen. He has virtually been his own premier since Bismarck retired eight years ago, and as a rule he has succeeded in forcing through his measures. He has not kept down socialism, but even Birmarck could not do that: and he has failed in some of his efforts to bring Germany up to his military standard, but, taken as a whole, he has pushed his country forward. German interests have not lost anything while in his hands. Wait until he works down to his bearings, as engineers say, and possibly we have a man that will challenge the world's admiration. We notice that he hae begun to explain himself, and that is a good sign. In his neighborhood we observe no one but Count von Waldersee, Von Moltke's chief of staff, a man of high purpose and great experience, but who will hardly emerge from the background as long as William holds the centre of the stage.

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In Russia, there is Podobenowszew, high procurator of the holy synod, an office equivalent to a minister of public worship for the state church. Under Alexander II, who was too much of a European to like him, he had but a secondary position, but under his pupil, the present emperor, he has become all-powerful, the more so because his orthodoxy wears the national garb, and he insists that the break down of the Nicholas I system was caused by the attempt to govern with ministers of German origin. He, seconded by Count Tolstoi, has been the originator of the dreadful persecutions for religion's sake that have disgraced recent Russian history. He initiates foreign policy, also, which is ostensibly under the control of Baron de Giers, the only influence of the latter being to mitigate the decrees of the actual foreign minister. If tolerable relations with England, Austria and Germany have been maintained during his regime, this is for the most part the merit of De Giers, the foreign secretary, whose influence with the czar lies in the cleverness with which he appears not to exercise any. Of Podobenoszew, backed by the powerful influence of an automatic czar, we are likely to hear more in future.

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Austria since the union of 1867 has produced no great men. It may be said that men who conduct compromise governments cannot become great, since they cannot advocate or follow any policy but that of concession. In Italy's political world we find no truly great men to-day. Those whom we thought great are tainted with the scandal of corruption in office: they have fallen from the pedestal upon which popular favor placed them. There is, however, one great man in Italy, one worthy to stand side by side with Gladstone in personal purity, and by the side of Bismarck in firmness of purpose, namely, His Holiness Leo XIII. Successor of a similar pope, he has become a conqueror by following a different policy: neglecting none of the interests confided to him, abandoning none of the claims of his organization, holding firmly to his temporal rights, he has yet so measured his powers against his opponents as to win in every contest, and to gather strength with each winning. Under his sway the church has become plainly manifest to all as first and foremost, not as a political entity, but as the loving mother; and he has made his religion respected even by its enemies. Personally he has refused to have enemies, his towering intellect commands the admiration of the world's thinkers, while his nobleness of soul marks him as one of the finest specimens of manhood. In the moral world he has achieved greater victories than the conquests that have crowned the banners of military heroes.—Mobile Register.

THE WHISTLING BOY.

Is there a sound in the world so sweet,
on a dark and dreary morn,
When the gloom without meets the
gloom within, till we wish we'd not
been born,
As the sound of a little barefoot boy
gayly whistling in the rain,
As he drives the cows to pastures
green, down the path in the muddy
lane?

The joy of a boy is a funny thing, not
dampened by autumn rain;
His clothes and his hands and his
sturdy feet are not spoiled by grime
or stain;
The world to him is a wonderful place
that he means some day to explore;
If there's time to play and plenty to
eat who cares if the heavens pour?

Oh, that cheery trill of a heart as
fresh as the drops that clear the air,
Brings a smile to our lips, and clears
the soul of the gloom that brooded
there;
And we bless the boy as he spats
along through rivers of rain and
mud,
For the hope and cheer in that whis-
tled note would rainbow the sky in
a flood.

—Celia S. Berkstresser in Ladies' Home Journal.

The Ring and the Glove.

I felt like Cortez upon a memorable occasion when the jeweller's glass door swung behind me, and, marching up to the counter, I asked for a ring.

"A ring, sir?" said the attendant, a Cockney to his finger tips. "What sort of a ring?"

"An engagement ring," said I valorously.

"What size, sir?" demanded the man, docketing me mentally.

"Five and a half," I replied, thinking of the glove.

"That's rather an unusual size," he remarked, rubbing one eyebrow, "unless it's a bangle the lady wants."

"I'm not sure that she wants it at all," I murmured, producing the little sandalwood-scented bit of silk; "but that is the size, I think."

"Oh—it's the size of the lady's 'and," he observed with mild toleration, unrolling it. "Well, sir, ladies' fingers vary in girth, and it's more usual to fit them with a piece of cardboard; but we'll go our best."

"Could not the member be reconstituted?" I asked impressively.

That knocked the conceit out of him; he stared at me helplessly.

"Fill it with powder or something," I explained.

It took him five minutes' self-discipline to grasp the startling novelty, but he did, and, under my direction, filled the third finger sheath with plate powder, which I rammed home with my pencil-case. Then, producing a miniature calliper, he took measurements and began to search his scintilating stock, displaying a reverent familiarity most impressive to behold. Cleopatra, how they dazzled! Pearls, rubies, emeralds, diamonds, each challenging the admiration, but checking the desire by the narrow parchment slip attached setting forth the price. Two hundred dollars, $300, $500, it was a charmed place, where money lost its everyday significance, for what man of spirit would be content to offer the girl of his heart a thing costing a miserable tenner when close beside it twinkled a rose diamond worth a king's ransom? I felt almost pauperized, recollecting that I had only $400 available.

"Now, sir, what do you think of this?" asked the shopman patronizingly, as he displayed an opal changeful as the shifting sunlight on a misty sky. "It's exactly the lady's size, making allowances, for, of course, she won't want to wear it over 'er glove."

"Are not opals unlucky?" said I, endeavoring to decipher the price.

"Oh, we don't hold with such superstition," replied the jeweller, loftily, "but they do say one will keep you from being poisoned."

"Then I shall leave it for the next rich widow," I answered. "But what is the cost of this?"

I alluded to an emerald set amid pearls, which I already saw glittering on the loveliest hand in the world. He extracted it with a silent respect he borrowed from my eagerness, and made a measurement while I watched him, my heart beating madly. The size was exactly the same; the price—but that is a detail. I decided upon it. The shopman thanked me perfunctorily, and I leaned against the counter, feeling like one who had received a great favor. But when I fumbled in my pocket for the notes and heard their crisp crackle my confidence returned, and then as I watched the splendid thing flashing in its violet bed I believed I must after all be a rich man, unknown to myself, so great was the suggestion of unlimited wealth thus conveyed.

"I should like a piece of glass on the inside of the case lid," I observed carelessly. "Is it usual?"

"That's looking glass?" queried the lapidary, glancing up from a surreptitious examination of the notes.

I nodded. I knew I must be getting red.

"Well," he remarked, tolerantly, "it is not exactly usual, but it's a pretty idea—'ightens the attraction of the gem, makes the lady see the present from two points of view."

"Hardly an advantage sometimes," I observed, "but can you do it?"

"Well, yes, I should think," he replied condescendingly.

"Then get it done, and I shall stand the racket," I answered magnificently.

He hurried away to effect the alteration, his place being taken by a bald headed salesman who wore spectacles and talked to me over them soothingly, as one would to a person of weak intellect, while I formulated piratical schemes and asked him puerile questions with a gravity equalling his own.

When I left the shop I headed straight for Bloomsbury square, but remembering that she might be just then occupied by domestic duties, decided to call later in the day. Even the ring in my pocket gave me no additional courage, and presently I began to think it was not quite royal enough. Edging my way to Regent's Park I hunted out a quiet spot and sat down to examine it at leisure. It was glorious still, but somehow not so glorious as I would have wished, and I was actually questioning the wisdom of my choice when an approaching footfall made me close the case. It was light, though firm, and the everlasting flint would have worn well beneath it. Something, more of the intellect than of the sense, made me look up, and I saw her.

The sensation of being shot through the heart has not, I believe, received adequate literary expression, those who experience it being usually preoccupied at the exact moment with other matters; but I think I know what it means. She stopped and we gazed at each other. She was in deep black, but the pallor had gone from her oval cheeks. She made a half tentative bow. I sprang to my feet.

"I am so glad to see you," I cried, "because—I want to restore something you forgot in the restaurant yester—a few weeks ago."

"How kind of you," she said, coming near.

"Oh, not at all," I replied; "but I hope you were not inconvenienced. I should have sent it, but I—I didn't."

I put my hand in my breast pocket hurriedly and extracted my handkerchief, which in turn brought to light a sheaf of letters and memoranda I shook out at her feet like a skillful conjurer. Then I tried the other pocket, but vainly. "It's a glove,' I said weakly, gathering up my belongings, "one of yours, don't you know."

"I recollect—I missed it," she said coldly.

"But the cab went so quickly," I pleaded; "ah, do sit down until I find it."

She did so. I was in a gentle perspiration.

"Pray do not take so much trouble," she murmured plaintively.

"Hurrah, I have it," I cried, and I extracted the wisp of silk from my watch pocket, where I had thrust it on leaving the shop.

"So kind of you," she observed, taking it. Then the powder ran out over her dress.

"How stupid," I gasped, completely demoralized now, and retaking the glove I shook it vigorously until I had created a miniature dust storm. She sneezed. I devoutly wished that the flying machine was an accomplished fact.

"It's ruined," I muttered wofully, for it certainly presented a piebald appearance.

She smiled. I sat down saying desperately:

"Would you allow me to keep it? The thing is of no use now."

"Why?" she answered quietly, but the voice was low.

"To remind me of that happy day," I replied, shying.

"Indeed? I am glad you think of it as a pleasant one," she said graciously. "Mr. Turnbull was declaiming all the way back in the cab. He seemed prejudiced against you."

"He may be described as a man who means well," I observed severely. "I hope he said something actionable."

"Oh hardly that!" she answered laughingly; "but he seems to have changed his opinion lately. Your name happened to come up in conversation to-day and he said—"

She paused! a sudden flame leaped into her cheeks.

"What did he say?" I demanded, trying to look away.

"He said you were an honorable man," she replied, the point of her parasol tracing a lop-sided isosceles triangle in the dust, "but—"

"Ah, there is much virtue in that 'but,'" I observed bitterly.

"That you ought to settle down," she continued, tossing her head and rising.

"So I shall," I cried, "but it depends upon my lady. I have her portrait here in this case. She is the only girl I shall ever care for in that way," I added, because a little qualification does no harm at even the most exalted moments. "By the way, she is an acquaintance of yours, too." And, pressing the spring, I handed the casket to her as the lid flew back. She glanced at me curiously, very pale now. I, weak about the knees, watched a child trundle a hoop past us.

She uttered a little cry that sank into a sobbing laugh. Then she sat down beside me and put one of the hands I hope to hold when death beckons me down the last dim turning of life's road, into mine.

"I trust she will make you a good wife," she said gravely. And— Well, surely man born of woman can guess the rest.—London Black and White.

The Ancient City of Barcelona, Spain.

The ancient city of Barcelona, Spain, is very admirably situated on the shores of the Mediterranean, from which it is separated by its harbor of some 300 acres, which is larger than the three harbors of Marseilles put together. Round this old town, which dates from the time of the Romans, and which is rich in antiquities of every description, including a very early Gothic cathedral, the undulating plain is covered to right and left with wide-spreading modern suburbs. Though the old town can still lay claim to half the entire population, the suburbs exceed it tenfold in area. These extramuros, with their very numerous factories, often of considerable size, are also well furnished with modern public buildings and country houses, as well as with artisans' dwellings. At the back, some five miles from the sea, the town is enclosed by a range of high hills, which do much to shelter it from the cold winds of winter, and to provide it with a healthy, equable climate.

Despite its advantages of situation and its commercial importance, Barcelona has always been famous as a turbulent town. Revolutions, combined with barricades and fighting in the streets, it has seen many. It is indeed, still looked upon as a hotbed of sedition.—New York Commercial

At a convenient fighting distance a ship like the Indiana looks about one inch long.

The Oldest Volunteer.

A New York State doctor, aged 109, volunteered his services to the President recently and expressed a desire to enter the army as a surgeon. Even at his advanced years he can readwithout glasses, and walk 10 to 15 miles a day. The oldest standard medicine is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which has no equal for indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, fevers and bad blood. It strengthens, purifies and vitalizes. One bottle does much good.

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Facts About Great Britain.

Great Britain has forty colonies.

There are 230 British millionaires.

The British have 689 ships-of-war.

They could fire 7,530 guns at once.

The British Empire, if cut into strips a mile wide, would reach around the world 450 times.

Half the exports from the United States of America are brought to England and for all this food $425,000,000 is paid yearly.

A LIVING WITNESS.

Mrs. Hoffman Describes How She Wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for Advice, and Is Now Well

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Before using your Vegetable Compound I was a great sufferer. I have been sick for months, was troubled with severe pain in both sides of abdomen, sore feeling in lower part of bowels, also suffered with dizziness, headache, and could not sleep. I wrote you a letter describing my case and asking your advice. You replied telling me just what to do. I followed your directions, and cannot praise your medicine enough for what it has done for me. Many thanks to you for your advice. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured me, and I will recommend it to my friends.—Mrs. FLORENCE R. HOFFMAN, 512 Roland St., Canton, O.

The condition described by Mrs. Hoffman will appeal to many women, yet lots of sick women struggle on with their daily tasks disregarding the urgent warnings until overtaken by actual collapse.

The present Mrs. Pinkham's experience in treating female ills is unparalleled, for years she worked side by side with Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, and for sometimes past has had sole charge of the correspondence department of her great business, treating by letter as many as a hundred thousand ailing women during a single year.

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WARD ROOM CATERER.

One Feature of Life in the Navy That Is Distasteful.

If there is any one feature of life aboard ship that a ward room officer of the navy particularly dislikes, it is his election as caterer of the ward room mess. All of the ward room officers have to take their turn at this job. When the catering of an officer proves especially satisfactory to his messmates, he is often elected over and over again, to his deep disgust. His frequent re-election, however, does not serve to make him remiss in his duty to the mess, in order that he may be displaced as caterer. This would be too obvious, and would cause criticism. The ward room caterer does all of the buying for the mess through the ward room steward, who is an enlisted man. Some ward room officers are eminently successful as caterers, and others make a very bad fist of it. It is a principle among ward room officers to ridicule the mess caterer and pour contumely upon his efforts, no matter how successful he may be, and the caterer is always the butt of all hands aft at meal times. Everything that he sets before his messmates is pronounced villainous, and he is made as unhappy as possible, even though he knows the officers of the mess are only guying him. At the end of the month, the expenses of the mess are divided up among all of the officers of the mess, each paying his portion.

Lieutenant Victor Blue, the nervy young officer who recently performed the feat of getting a good view of the Spanish fleet in Santiago harbor by making a daring detour of seventy-five miles or so on Cuban soil, was attached to the Bennington, which was lying in Honolulu harbor, about three years ago. He was then an ensign, and he had not up to that time been a ward room caterer. So he was unanimously elected almost as soon as he was attached to the Bennington. Lieutenant Blue is a giant of a young man, and exceedingly good natured. But he made a sad hash of the caterer's job. He got his accounts all mixed up before he had served as a caterer for a week, and he had to pay a lot of seignorage out of his own pocket. The meals he placed before his messmates were satisfactory enough, but the caterer's job wore on Lieutenant Blue a great deal. He figured on how to get his conge. When a new caterer is elected it is the custom of the ward officers to weigh themselves every day, in a spirit of fun, in order to weigh the caterer, and to make it appear by their solemnly averred loss of weight, that they are being half starved. Lieutenant Blue went down to the engine room one day, after he had been worried over the caterer's job for a week or so, and dug out a big drop-scales. He tinkered with it for a while. Then he rigged a bo'sun's chair to it, carried it aft, and suggested to the officers that when they wanted to weigh themselves thereafter they use those scales of his. The officers didn't suspect anything, and after dinner the same day several of them weighed themselves. They had all lost a pound since the day before. They said the scales were wrong and Lieutenant Blue admitted that perhaps they were. They all weighed again the next day. Each of them had lost another pound, and they began to feel of their waistbands wonderingly. All of the officers of the Bennington's ward room went on losing flesh, according to Lieutenant Blue's scales, for ten days or so. Then a meeting of the ward room officers was called, and Lieutenant Blue was dropped as caterer, as being "incompetent" and "no-account anyhow." Lieutenant Blue didn't have to serve as caterer for the rest of that cruise, and he wore a smile of deep content every time he looked at a weighing apparatus.

A Monkey Cyclist.

There is a very popular monkey in the Zoological Gardens of the Prater at Venice just now, and she is very much admired. "Miss Maja," has an exquisite bicycle which she rides to perfection, imitating to a nicety all the movements of cyclists. She jumps into the saddle without touching the pedals, kisses her hand to everybody while she waits for the signal, then flies off at a splendid pace. From the wheel she jumps on a trapeze and then on the wheel again before it can fall. When she has shown all her arts and graces she claps her hands, calling upon the public to applaud. She thanks prettily for applause by bowing and putting her hand to her heart. The monkey has not been trained at all—only made to look on while men and women cycled. She has taught herself everything without any one's help. When money is given to her she runs to her nurse, takes her purse and puts it in. It has been proposed to let her have one of the many cycling medals distributed in Vienna, but the societies refuse to give it to her.—London News.

Snakes Pick Hops.

Hop picking is one of the principal industries of the Deer Lick bottom district in Indiana, and gives employment to several hundred persons each year. In 1896 the employers had considerable trouble with the pickers over the question of wages. The pickers wished to be paid by the hour, but the hop growers wished to maintain the present scale by the piece. The matter as a general proposition is still unsettled except by one hop grower, Jacob Presley, on Deer Lick bottoms. He did not hire any pickers at all this year, and yet his hops are all picked and cured. The story is a curious one, and begins in 1895, when Mr. Presley first noticed two yellow snakes in his hop field. His first impulse was to kill them, but their actions were so odd that he stopped to watch them. The snakes would climb the hop poles and pick every blossom, throwing them upon the ground. Then they would extract a certain amount of hop from the stalk and pass on to the next one. This set Mr. Presley to thinking if the snakes could not be utilized instead of men and women.

In the spring of 1896 he found a nest of thirteen yellow snakes down by the creek, and, capturing them alive, he took them home. In the fall he tried them, and with such success that he determined to use them this year. Accordingly he hired no hands, to the great surprise of his neighbors. Instead he turned the snakes loose, putting 150 baskets on the ground to catch the hops as they fell. The experiment was a great success.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The First Public Library.

Libraries instituted for research in all branches of knowledge existed in remote antiquity. According to Prof. Sayce, such a one was founded by Sargon I., the Semitic ruler of Akkad, about 3800 B. C. Here was deposited the great work of Babylonian astronomy, the "Observatiois of Bel," and the name of the keeper of this library has been handed down to us on his seal.

Similar libraries were founded in the chief cities of Babylon, the contents of which—either the original works or copies of translations of them—were drawn upon to enrich the famous Assyrian library of Nineveh, founded, it is stated, by Assurbanipul (Sardanapalus) from political motives. That it was a public library is indicated by a remark of the king at the end of a treatise—"I have placed it in my palace for the instruction of my subjects."

According to a writer on the subject, the volumes were all numbered, and any one who wished to consult a book wrote the number of it on a ticket and handed it to the keeper. The library founded at Athens by Pisistratus about the year 540 B. C. is often stated to be the first that was opened to the public. The more famous Alexandrian Library takes the next place in point of time.—New York World.

Quick Wit Saves from Failure.

The faculty of keeping one's head in an emergency is not too common. A young Philadelphia elocutionist has it to perfection, and a few days ago it neatly saved her from an embarrassing situation. She was reciting professionally, and her work had called forth wild applause. She was warm and tired, however, and when just a few lines into an encore number, she knew that a certain place her memory would fail her, and that she would stumble and fall. Her wits answered quickly. Before coming to the breaking point, she suddenly stopped and addressed her auditors. "I see by your faces that many of you have heard this piece before. I do not like to repeat, so, with your permission, I will try another number." Some magnanimous persons answered: "No, no. Go ahead." But the young lady was obdurate, and the people of that audience now consider her the queerest of all elocutionists."—Philadelphia Record.

AN ISOLATED RACE.

Ainos of Japan, Who Had Never Seen a Foreigner.

Mrs. Mabel Loomis Todd writes for the Century, from personal observation, an article entitled, "In Aino Land." Mrs. Todd says:

In the summer of 1896, as a lay member of the Amherst College expedition which visited northern Japan to view the total eclipse of the sun, I had the rare opportunity of seeing the absolutely primitive "hairy Aino" of that region.

In the southern portion of the island, near Hakodate and Sapporo, and about Volcano Bay, travelers have visited these shy and silent people. But several hundred miles north are many Ainos, who, until the summer of 1896, were strangers to the members of any race but their own or the few fishing villages along the coast. The dwellers in the province of Kitami are too distant to be sought by visitors; and a foreign woman, the Japanese officials informed me, had never before reached Kitami.

Skirting the rough western coast by steamer, and rounding Cape Soya, the eclipse party located at Esashi, which must not be confused with another town of the same name near Hakodate. The news of the arrival of strange white foreigners spread quickly among the neighboring villages. Walking with stately tread, bushy-haired and bearded groups of Ainos often passed the expedition headquarters, apparently looking for nothing unusual, and giving no evidence of curiosity, yet never failing to see every foreign figure within their range. Humbly accompanying their lords, women and children frequently followed, far less imposing than the men. Somewhat larger, and apparently stronger, than the Japanese, although not taller, the older men are actually patriarchal, with long beards, and masses of thick hair parted in the middle. Many faces have a benign and loftly expression.

Driven gradually through ages from the south to Hokkaido, the Ainos are among the few races yet retaining, in this over-civilized world of ours, an utterly unspoiled simplicity. Their origin has never been satisfactorily traced, but they were certainly in Japan long before the present race of Japanese had arrived, and names clearly originating in the Aino tongue are still retained all over the empire. Gentle and subservient to the conquering race, it is evident that they formerly held more egotistic views than now, even fancying themselves the center of the universe, as is shown perhaps by an old national song:

Gods of the sea, open your eyes divine,
Wherever your eyes turn, there echoes
the sound of the Aino speech.

Uncle Sam's War Month.

April is the month made notable by great events in American history. The first great struggle for American liberty broke into hostilities at Lexington and Concord in April, 1775; the war between the Confederate States and the United States began in April, 1861; in April of 1862 Farragut captured New Orleans, and in April, 1865, came the surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia at Appomattox Court House.

Big gold nuggets are extremely rare. The biggest on record was found in Australia in 1852, weighed upwards of 223 pounds, and was worth $55,000.

She Meant Well.

He was a young soldier and she an admiring girl.

"Of course," he said, in response to her sympathetic suggestions, "there are hardships connected with this life."

"It's too dreadful," she murmured, "to think of what you will have to go through."

"The only thing to do," he answered, "is to go through them without thinking about them."

"I can see you now," she proceeded, with half-closed eyes and outstretched hand, "leaping into battle."

"Oh, no," he interrupted, somebody has been misleading you. We don't leap. It's not a swimming bath or a gymnasium, you know. We just form into straight lines and go into battle the same as we go anywhere else."

"I can hear you shouting defiance to the foe," she persisted.

"I don't think I'll show any defiance," he returned with some hesitation. "You know, the foe don't speak any English. And anyhow, I have an idea I'll feel like keeping my mouth closed and squinting along the gun barrel most of the time."

She made one more effort.

"Don't you feel some tremor when you think of how you will be where the fire is hottest and the bullets thickest?"

"No," was the reply. "To tell you the honest truth, I don't. It's time enough to put your mind on such things when the emergency comes. It's trouble enough to think of going where the coffee is coldest and the soup thinnest."—Washington Star.

The Poisonous Laurel.

Among the most poisonous of plants native to the United States are various laurels. One of these is the common broad-leafed laurel, which is a handsome shrub from ten to thirty feet high. Its leaves are thick and shining, and its flowers appear in showy pink clusters. This kind of laurel grows abundantly on rocky hillsides. Its poison is a peculiar crystalline substance, easily dissolved out of the plant by cold water, and more dangerous even than strychnine. Great numbers of cattle and sheep are destroyed annually by eating the shrub, and children sometimes mistake the young shoots for wintergreen. Occasionally the leaves are used criminally to increase the intoxicating effects of liquor. The symptoms are persistent nausea, frothing at the mouth, grating of the teeth, dizziness, loss of sight and feeling, and coma. Among other poisonous laurels may be mentioned the narrow-leafed laurels, otherwise known as "lambkill" or "lamb laurel." It is much like the broad-leafed plant, but smaller. The so-called "stagger bush" is a species of laurel. Its more common name is "kill lamb." It is a small shrub, with showy clusters of tubular white flowers, and is frequent in low, damp soils along the Atlantic coast.—New York Sun.

The Paris Bill Poster.

The bill poster of Paris is a more picturesque personage than his brother of New York. He plies his trade in all winds and weather, and he is nothing daunted by an assignment of a bleak suburban district on a rainy day.

He ties his posters—incased in a waterproof cover—across his back. He fastens on his paste pot. He mounts his bicycle. Then he opens his umbrella—for he is an expert wheelman, and can manage it and his wheel at once. All over the umbrella are advertisements in little form of the article or the event which he intends to advertise in large by his posters. So his entire route is placarded, and he himself is a living advertisement.

Fifty years ago the population of Europe was about 250,000,000; it is today considerably over 360,000,000.

About one-third of the streets of Paris, France, are ornamented with trees.

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The cotton crop this season is estimated at 10,000,000 bales.

Keep your eye on the fellow that tells those big spook tales about incorporation.

The News has recieved a copy of New Era, it is a live up-date Women paper, edited by Mrs. G. C. Ball of Birmingham.

War is a thing of past the white wings of peace have taken the place of the War Horse.

Montevallo is Incorporate.

Mr. E. S. Lyman after a full investigation says that the old incorporation is still good, therefore there is no need for an election.

Election for Officers.

In the near future an election will be ordered for city officers.

No Election.

The election for incorporation is off, as Montevallo is alread incorporated.

Hon. Gaston A. Robbins, of Dallas, seems to be the coming man for the next congressman from this district.

Montevallo will soon put on city airs, Mayor, Aldermen and Marshall.

The streets will soon be put proper condition.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BEAT MEETING.

MONTEVALLO, Aug. 6, '98.

At a Democratic beat meeting held in accordance with a call of the Chairman of the County Executive Committee, on this day, the following proceedings were had:

C. L. Meroney, chairman of the executive committee, called the meeting to order, and nominated Dr. D. L. Wilkinson temporary chairman, and E. S. Lyman temporary secretary.

On motion, the temporary organization was made permanent.

On motion of W. S. Cary, the chairman appointed a committee of three to select twelve delegates and alternates to the county convention to meet next Monday at Columbiana, subject to the approval of the meeting. Said committee was composed of the following: W. S. Cary, C. L. Meroney and J. D. Farrington.

The committee reported the following names of delegates and alternates, which report on motion was adopted:

Delegates.	Alternates.
E. S. Lyman,	Ben Cunningham,
Dr. D. L Wilkinson,	S H. McCauley,
J. D. Farrington,	E. O. Camp,
W. S. Cary,	E. L. Killough,
George Kroell,	M. N. Alexander,
Clifton Newton,	Thos. Randall,
Burgess Little.	A. J. Gentry,
W. B. Reynolds,	James Harris,
Wm. Thompson,	C. E. West,
Frank West,	C. C. Vandegrift,
R. E. Woolley,	R. T. Newton,
Geo. T. Peter.	C. L. Meroney.

Dr. E. G. Givhan moved that the delegation be instructed to vote as a unit for Hon. Thos. S. Plowman, but accepted the following substitute offered by W. S. Cary, which was unanimously adopted by the meeting:

Resolved by the Democrats of Beat 4 in beat meeting assembled, That in recognition of the distinguished services rendered to this community by Hon. T. S. Plowman, and of the injustice done him by a partisan majority in congress, it is the sense of this meeting that he should be renominated by the approaching convention; and the delegates from this beat to the county convention are hereby instructed to use every honorable means to select a delegation to the Congressional Convention favorable to Capt. Plowman's renomination.

There being no further business before the meeting, it was on motion adjourned sine die.

D. L. WILKINSON,
Chairman.

E. S. LYMAN, Secretary.

Don't you forget it, Montevallo will soon be an incorporated town.

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I was in favor of incorporation.

I was oppose to incorporation.

Many a person is starving with a full table before them. Appetite gone! Ambition gone! Life a burden!! What is the matter? The liver has ceased to do its proper work. The life channels are clogged. Poisonous fluids are thrown back into the blood, which should be thrown out. SMITH'S BILE BEANS will surely stimulate the liver to do its work well, and headache, sallowness and bad breath will flee away. Price, 25 cents per bottle. All Druggists

A stubborn cough or tickling in the throat yields to One Minute Cough Cure. Harmless in effect, touches the right spot, reliable and just what is wanted. It acts at once. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Notice of Incorporation Election

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } Office of Judge of Probate.

A PETITION HAVING BEEN FILED with me by the requisite number of adult male inhabitants of Montevallo, in said county, praying that said town be incorporated for a distance of three-fourths of a mile in every direction, from F. W. Regan's storehouse, in said town: Notice is hereby given that an order has this day been made by me directing an election to be held in the said town of Montevallo, on

Saturday, the 20th Day of August, 1898

at the usual place of holding State and County elections and between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 3 o'clock P. M., to ascertain whether or not a majority of the inhabitants of said town are in favor of incorporating the same. Every qualified elector who has resided within the boundaries of the proposed town for three months next preceding the election, may vote at such election.

Done at office on this, the 6th day of August, 1898.

D. E. McMILLAN,
Judge of Probate.

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METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. L. SINNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M.
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

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Don't advertise, you can't afford to waste money that way, let those big companys that don't know any better keep up the newspapers.

Don't forget that Morgan Bros. are the people who advertise.

Mr. A. J. Lee, is off on a vacation trip.

Montevallo needs a good school building.

The young people, spent a very enjoyable evening at Mr. Oxley's Monday.

Follow the crowd, and vote for incorporation.

Mr. Hum of Birmingham will be the new hostess at the Hotel St. George. The guest will have ham three times aday.

☞ When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Mr. Hinton, former post master of Longview, has accepted a position as clerk with S. A. Latham & Co.

FOR SALE.—A good typewriter for $25.00. Apply at the News office.

Try a bottle of V.V.V. for that tired feeling. F. F. Crowe & Co. keep it.

Mr. Mitchell our printer left Thusday for Blocton we have not heard from him since he may be in Cuba.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

We are

Editor, Printer and Devil this week, so please excuse our short-comings.

We call especial attention to the new legal ad, "Notice of Incorporation Election," on our editorial page.

Mr. Rip Van Wrinkle, of sleepy hollow, was in town Saturday he was very much surprised when we informed him that Montevallo was not incorporated.

Wanted, a position by a young man to teach music, reference furnished as to ability.

Apply to A. A. Roebuck.
Aldrih, Ala.

Mrs. T. M. Allen, is sick with a fever we hope she will soon be well again.

☞ Are you the person that induced my printer to leave?

Mrs, Wilson has returned from her summers vacation.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Drummer galore.

Mis. Linnie Curry, of Dry Valley is visiting Miss. Ethel McMath.

Miss. Beulah Harris, of —— Tenn. is visiting Mrs. C. L. Meroney.

Miss. Hattie woods, of Birmingham is visiting Mrs. C. L. Meroney, this week.

Mr. Bur McMath, want to borrow ten Dollars.

Miss. Leeper, of Columbiana is visiting Mrs. Wilson.

Dr. Wilkinson returned with his better half Tuesday, they have been visiting Mrs. Wilkinson father at Bolling Ala.

Col. Murfree, president of the Marion Military Institute, was in town Wednesday.

For Sale.—We have for sale a good organ, in good order, which will be sold at about one third of origional cost.

Mr. W. E. Perry. came down from Birmingham Wendesday on his wheel, he expect to be with us this fall.

Mr. B. G. Lindsay, the champion Book Agent of the south, was in town Tuesday, he is stopping at Bismark.

Miss. Alice and Maud Woodword, of Yazoo City, Miss. are visiting thier grand mother Mrs. M. A. Nabors who lives about three mile south of town.

Mr. Vandegrift returned Saturday evening from his trip to Uniontown. He sold 1000 tons of coal Friday, that make Friday a lucky for Imogene mine at least.

Rev. P. L. Abernethy, is at Brierfield this week conducting a protracted meeting, we hope the meeting will be a grand success.

Dr. Hargrove, of Maylene was in town Monday.

The St. George, will closed untill the 1th of September, then it will be open under a new management.

The Magnolia, is open again Mr. Shivers, is entertaining the Knight's of the Grip.

Major Alex. A. Wall, the clever proprietor of the St. George, left Monday for Oakman. Ala. where he will make his future home, his many friends wish him much success in his new home. We are sorry to lose the Major.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandegrift.

Mr. King's family is visiting relative in Carlton, Ga.

WANTED.—Two mules four feet six inches high, weighing about 850 pounds, from five to seven years old. Will buy or trade for larger mules. Address G. F. Peter, Maylene, Ala.

Dr. Wilkinson will build a fine residence on the lot next to the Methodist Church in the near future.

Mr. Fred Reynolds, has returned from a wild goose chase, ask him about it.

Mrs. C. C. Vandergrift entertained the Epworth League royally Tuesday evening.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

On July 31st, 1898 at 4:30 O'clock P. M. in the Methodist Church at Montevallo, there was organized an Epworth League: Its object being promotion of loyalty and piety to the Church amoung the young people for their education and encourgement in Bible and Christian literature, and for their encourgement in works of grace and Charity.

The pastor being unavoidably absent, Mr. W. B. McCluney was elected by the house as President of the League (having been previously nominated for the office by the pastor.) The president taking the chair the following officers were nominrted.

1st Vice President, Miss Bessie Allen.
2nd " " Miss Myrtle Lawrence
3rd " " Miss Birdie Allen.
Secretary, Miss Imogene Vandegrift.
Treasurer, Miss Kate Reynolds.

After approval by the pastor officers shall be elected by ballot at the next business meeting of the League which shall be Tuesday Aug. 16th 1898 8 P. M. President proceeded to enroll members and twenty four were admitted membership. First devotional service was announced for Sunday Aug. 21st. After song and prayer the meeting adjourned.

At the business meeting of the League Tuesday night the following committees were appointed.

Department of Worship.
Miss Bessie Allen.
" Bessie Steele.
" Boziman.
" Ollie Bryan.
Mr. A. M. Cross.

Department of Literary Work.
Msss Birdie Allen.
" Lois McCauley.
" Realy Session.
Mr. W. S. Cary.
" Clifton Newton.

Department of Charity and Help.
Miss Myrtle Lawrence.
" Kate Reynolds.
Mr. S. H. McCauley.
" C. C. Dill.

Look Out Committee.
Mr. C. C. Vandegrift.
" George Allen.
" Richard Dill.
Miss Leta Ozley.
" Imogene Vandegrift.
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NOTICE.

I would like to swap or sell 80 acres of land for 20 acres of land with a good house on it. Said land is four miles from Montevallo, in a good neighborhood, and near two churches. There are 35 acres cleared and 45 in timber, all lying level. There is lasting water on the place. Within one-half mile of Dogwood station. For further particulars, apply at the News office, or address J. A. Roebuck, Montevallo, Ala.

NOTICE!

A reward of $5.00 is hereby offered for evidence to convict the party or parties who recently castrated my fine Berkshire boar.

Some party has the 37th volume of my Columbia Encyclopædia. They will greatly oblige by returning.

D. L. WILKINSON, M. D.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted, by the M. E. Sunday-school August 7, 1898:

WHEREAS, Inasmuch as our Heavenly Father has deemed it wise to transfer from our Sunday-school our beloved Earl Cary to a home above. we shall miss him, but must yield to the mandates of Him who doeth all things well, and will lovingly cherish his memory and try to emulate his victures. Therefore be it

Resolved 1st, That in his death we have lost one of our best and most consecrated members.

Resolved 2nd, That we tender his devoted parents, brothers and sisters our heartfelt sympathy and prayers in this sad hour of bereavement, and commend them to Him who doeth all things for our eternal good.

Resolved 3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his bereaved family, and a copy sent to the Christian Advocate and MONTEVALLO NEWS for publication.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. P. L. ABERNETHY,
MRS. C. C. VANDEGRIFT,
MISS BESSIE ALLEN,
LEWIS BOWDON,
Committee.

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After years of experimenting, the process by which natural color photographs are produced has at last been perfected, and all of the materials necessary for this work are now obtainable. The ground plan of the process rests upon the combination of the three primary colors, blue, green and red. A single glass plate is provided with a series of triple parallel colored lines on the surface. A red line, a blue line, a green line, then the red, blue and green again, and so on until the whole plate is colored with these lines, which are 1-225th of an inch apart. Special plates of this sort are used by being placed in the plate-holder, with a hinge back, with the ruled side upward, and in close contact with the film of a pan chromatic sensitive dry plate. The holder containing the two plates is put into the camera with what is known as an ortho-chromatic intercepter. This consists of a sheet of glass coated with a very thin yellow film, which checks the too rapid action of the violet rays. This is put into the camera just back of the lens. The exposure varies according to the usual conditions. The plate is developed in an exceedingly dim ruby light, and a perfect monochrome negative is the result. This is mounted with one of the ruled red, green and blue glasses, so adjusted that the lines of the cover glass rest exactly over the corresponding lines of the transparency. Then the two glasses are firmly attached, and the result is an exquisite photograph, which by transmitted light shows all the natural tints and graduations of color.

Olives a Spanish Product.

The bulk of the edible olives come from Spain, the olives raised in other Mediterranean regions being used chiefly in making oil. There are imported into the United States about 5000 casks of Spanish olives annually. They are imported in brine. The olives vary in size from about 210 to the kilo, which is 2 1-5 pounds, up to olives as large as sixty to seventy to the kilo.

A steamship bringing olives to this port is likely to include in her cargo almonds and corkwood, a valuable freight. In one shipment lately received here there were several hundred casks of olives. When the casks have been hoisted out they are rolled along on the wharf, a cooper starts the bung, and a number of olives are taken from each cask for inspection. The olives are taken out with a pair of tongs a foot or more long, made of two slender strips of wood, which operate like sugar tongs.

The man who takes the samples from the casks carries in one hand a small white china platter, using the tongs with the other hand. He thrusts the tongs through the bunghole into the cask and nips one or more olives at every dip until he has a platter full.

These sample olives are inspected on the spot by the representatives of the importer, who sees that they correspond with the invoice and that the brine is of sufficient strength to keep them. They are then removed to the warerooms to be sold in the original packages or repacked in kegs and bottles.—New York Sun.

Express Company Bars Babies.'

A South Sider yesterday afternoon called up the American Express Company by telephone and wanted the agent to make a contract to bring a precious package from Northern Michigan. When asked the character of the package, the man at the telephone said it was a six-months-old baby. The person in whose care the child had been left, the mother being dead, had wired that she could no longer take care of the little one. General Agent Nosler told the anxious father that he could do nothing for him, whereat the latter seemed greatly disappointed. Mr. Nosler said that twenty years ago the company accepted charges of that character, but the carriage of men, women and children became risky and undesirable and finally had been abandoned by all the express companies.—Chicago Tribune.

Fan and Programme.

A London theater manager has found a new way to make his summer playhouse attractive. He has his programmes made so that they may be folded into the form of good, serviceble fans. They cost the users a penny apiece, but are eagerly bought up, not only for use but as souvenirs.

An Immense China Closet.

The czar of Russia probably owns a greater quantity of china than any other person in the world. He has the china belonging to all the Russian rulers as far back as Catherine the Great. It is stored in an immense closet in the Winter palace at St. Petersburg.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

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The officer immediately became all attention, for he now knew that the victim was a member of the strategy board.—Judge.

JACK FIANCE: "Pardon if I am somewhat cold and drawn away from you tonight." May Whiff: "Why, Jack, you said I might eat onions if I wished." Jack Fiance: "Yes, but I didn't say that you were to eat Spanish onions."—Judge.

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There is a fetich that is worshipped in the army and navy, and that is early rising. In the piping times of peace it is very difficult for the officers to find enough work for the men to do to keep them out of mischief. The forts and ships are all so painfully clean that even a Dutch housewife could not unearth a speck of dust, but the men are required to wash and scrub and polish as if cholera were coming. With all that, there are many hours in the life of a soldier or sailor when he is put to it to kill time.

He must get up early, with the sun if possible, unless the sun rises after six, and then he gets up earlier. Of the 100,000 volunteers there are hardly 100 that have ever got out of bed before six, that is, willingly, and they are going to have a time getting used to being routed out before daylight.

In addition to systematically getting up at a beastly hour, the soldier will soon notice that when the regiment goes anywhere it always starts about 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning, just when a man would give a leg for a snooze.

Sailors can be chased to bed at 9 P. M., but soldiers will skip the guard and make a night of it, with no chance to sleep it off. Then will come the time when they will ask each other what in the mischief is the sense starting off at 3, to march somewhere and then stand around two or three hours waiting for the wagons to come up.

It is an established fact that very few soldiers fear a battle, but many feel like deserting after a campaign of early rising. The days of surprises and ambuscades are over, and the only effect of depriving men of sleep is to make them discontented. Nobody can explain this mania, except that it dates from England or Russia, where the sun rises in summer at 3 A. M.—

The Saffron City.

Havana is bounded by beauty on one side, by ignorance on the other. The approach to it, particularly in the early morning, is exceeded in loveliness by perhaps two or three ports. There are many exquisite things in the world, and among them, near the head of the list, stands dawn in the tropics. It is sudden as love and just as fair. Dawn in the Havanese harbor is a foretaste of what paradise may be. The tourist who has sailed that way passes a night beneath stars that are larger and more neighborly than our own. The water, too, is different. At Key West it looks like a lawn in May. It has the same asparagus green. Then it changes. It becomes seamed with phosphorus. As the stars disappear it changes again, and very suddenly, into a sirup of opals. At the horizon is a tender pink. Overhead is a fusion of salmon and of blue. Just beyond, within rifle range, is an amphitheater of houses parti-colored as rainbows, tiarred with the pearl points of a cathedral, girdled with the yellow walls of a crumbling fort. Every city has an aspect and an odor of its own. Paris, for instance, has a white sky and smells like a pretty woman. The aspect of Havana is saffron. It smells of rancid oil. In addition it suggests Seville. Though the Moors have never been there, it looks as though they had. There is a saying which runs: "Que no ha vista Sevilla no ha vista maravilla"—not to have seen Seville is not to have seen a marvel. In view of recent events it is proper and pertinent to give the saying a twist: "Que no ha vista Havana ha vista nada." It does not rhyme as well, but as nada means nothing it ought to pass in a crowd.—Collier's

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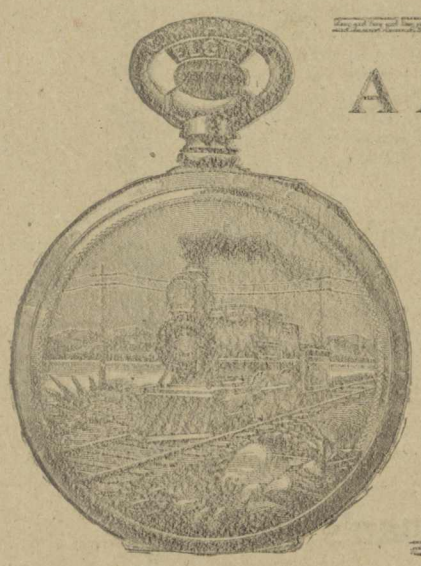

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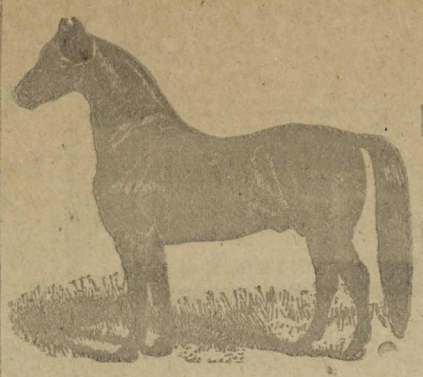

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At Twilight.

I've been listing all day to the rain
beat on the clover,
I've heard all day the wind, as it set
the leaves astir,
And a sparrow feebly piping, ere yet
the rain was over,
And a fragrance from the meadow
came sweeter far than myrrh;
But the rain, the wind, the clover had
one song, one cadence only,
It entered my heart and filled it
with a pain I never knew
Till I sat there in the darkness, growing
still and sad and lonely,
Till my heart began to clamor, crying
hopelessly to you!
I am longing for you, sweetheart, for
the voice that makes my heaven,
I am yearning for the touch of that
hand I love so well,
And my heart would bridge the distance and would bid each bond
be riven;
How it hungers for your presence
there,s no tongue can ever tell!
Ever longing, till no other in my sight
finds aught of favor,
Ever yearning it in the gloom. till the
stars glide into view,
And aweary with a love that cannot
fail and cannot waver—
'Tis a woman's way of wanting-longing-aye, of loving you!

Margaret E. O'Brien

WHEN WILL THE HARD TIMES END?

David H. Mason in The Chicago Record.

It is a remarkable fact that, ever since the American people became an independent nation, all the periods of hard times have been about the same length, So uniform has been the occurrence as to indicate some undiscovered natural law govering the circumstances and fixing their termination. The most disastrous hard times in this country began in 1783. at the close of the revolutionary war. Distress took on its darkest forms. Only depreciated paper money was in ciaculation. Everywhre the people were in debt beyond their ability to pay. Property, when brought to sale under execution, sold at so low a price as frebuently ruined the debtor without paying the creditor. Laws were passed making property of specific kinds a legal tender in the payment of debts. Other laws installed the debt, so that only a third or a fifth was annually recoverable in the courts, although past due. So dreadful were the scenes of bankruptcy, ruin and demoralization that even respect for liberty and independence was diminished; that many berson regarded goverment itself in the nature of oppressor and enemy; and that disiniegrftion became the threatened fate of the union. Yet with in six yerrs a radical change had taken place for the better. At the close of one year more, or seven in all, agriculture, shipping navigation, the fisheries, foreign and the coast wise trade, manufactures and commerce among the states had become thrifty beyond precedent, showing a marvelous recuperation.

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The next periods of universal distresi, both public and private, made itself distinctly felt in 1818. Banks, merchants and manufactures were alike prostrated. Coined money disappeared from the pockets of the people. Mechanics were everywhere throughout the country suffering for want of food. Property was brought to force sale at one-fourth its value, and struck off to sheculators, leaving honest creditors unpaid and families reduced to peggary. The government at Washington had to resort to loans in order to provide for its ordinry expenses in time of peace. Yet, when six years had rolled away, a signal improvement was manifested. At the end of another year, or in 1827. thrift had superseded adversity.

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Some persons now living remember the panic of 1837. Its destructive energies brought quick destruction to a multitude of people. At its touch the bottom suddenly fell out of business all over the union. Bankruptcy and repudiation extended even to cities and states. The credit of the national government sank so low teat the small sum of 12,000,000 could not be borred, either at home or abroad. So empty become the public treasury that the warrants for instalment of the president's salary could be turned into cash only at a discount, py resorting to the Washington brokers Yet, the six years which ended in 1843. brought at their close a marvelous rvival of industry and commerce. When an additional year had elapsed general prosperity was at its flood.

Another distressful period followed the panic of 1857. Thousands of commercial houses were reduced to insolvency many of them going out of existence. Manufactures establishment were suspended on every hand discharging their employees into chronic idleness. Private enterprises of different kinds were abandoned. Public works were retarded, and the national coffers had to be replenished by the negotiation of loans at an exorbitant rate of interest. A multitude of industries and useful laborers were precipitated into privation and wretchedness. Yet, by the end of six years, or 1863. all evidence of hard times had disappeared thaoughout the north; and despite the civil war then waged the highest degree of material prosperity was brought to pass after the japse of another year.

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The fifth periods of collapse was introduced by the panic of 1873. In the shrinkage of value which took place thousands of millions of dollars were lost irretrievably to the owners. Our manufacturing industry had been so widely diversified and develosed that the very vastness of its extent made it the more vulnerable to the destructive shock, so that a great number of establishments were tumbled to bankruptcy. Many financial institutions were obliged to close their doors, once for all. The country swarmed with tramps when investigation discovered were mainly workmen, clerks professional men and others, who, having lost employment or patronage at home, had wandered away in a vain search for work and wages, until they had become demoralized by constant disappointment and loss of self-respect. Yet in 1879. of six years after the beginning of the collapse, plentiful signs of business revival gladdened the hearts of the people. In 1880. one year later, full prosperity had become a generall reconized fact.

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Does not the extraordinary uniformity of the outcome in these five periods indicate more than mere coincidence-does it not suggest some natural law governing the circumstances and fixing the limit of hard times? If so, the revulsion which began in 1893, should be declining now in its forces and may be expected to be grertly mitigated, or preparing to depart, in 1899, when the six year period is to terminate. Twelye month later, or 1900 the evidence of high-grade prosperity should be visible on every hand.

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The Watch.

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AT EVENTIDE.

The tired breezes are tucked to rest
  In the cloud-beds far away,
The waves are pressed to the placid breast
  Of the gleaming, dreaming bay;
The shore line swims in a hazy heat,
  Asleep in the sea and sky,
And the muffled beat where the breakers meet
  Is a soft, sweet lullaby.

The pine-clad hill has a crimson crown
  Of glittering sunset glows,
The roofs of brown in the distant town
  Are bathed in a blush of rose;
The radiant ripples shine and shift
  In shimmering shreds of gold,
The seaweeds lift and drowse and drift,
  And the jellies fill and fold.

The great sun sinks, and the gray fog heaps
  His cloak on the silent sea,
The night-wind creeps where the ocean sleeps,
  And the wavelets wake in glee;
Across the bay like a silver star
  There twinkles the harbor light,
And faint and far from the outer bar
  The sea-birds call "Good night."

The Saraband's Skipper.

The last half-hour of the steamship Saraband had come. All day she had lain in the pitiless bay, crouching under the fierce blast of the northeast gale, the seas sweeping her decks, and now all on board knew that she had but a short time to live.

She had had her day. Built to carry one hundred and twenty passengers, she had once been one of the popular boats going through the newly opened canal to the east, and her long, flush deck had been the scene of many a gay gathering when her passengers had assembled under the awnings to laugh, flirt and talk after dinner. But larger and faster boats had come and her glory had departed, so that after many vicissitudes here she lay, her passenger accommodations taken out and the space filled with grain from the Black Sea ports, sinking.

Her decks were slanting at an angle of forty-five degrees, for the wheat had shifted, and she lay nearly on her beam ends; every movable thing had long been washed away, and one structure which should have been immovable--the engine hatch--had also been smashed in.

That was the immediate reason why she was going to founder; the engine-room plates were awash and the fires in the stokehole were out, and for the last two hours she had only been kept head to sea by means of a sea anchor made of the derricks and spars. A portion of every sea that came on board found its way through the makeshift contrivance of spars and tarpaulins nailed over the gaping chasm in her deck that marked the former position of the engine-hatch, and each found her a little lower in the water.

In the shelter of the bridge-deck--the only structure which had been strong enough to resist the remorseless violence of the seas--clustered her crew some thirty hands, hard faced sailors and grimy firemen; the former quiet, apathetic, almost careless; the others, save for a few, dead white with fear, spending their last moments in cursing with foolish, meaningless repetitions of the same words, the ship, their luck in coming in her, and the skipper, for not making use of the two remaining boats which hung from their davits at the lee side of the bridge deck, and which, from their elevated position, had not gone when the other boats had been swept away. On the bridge stood the skipper and the mate, bearded, elderly men both, straining their despairing eyes into the wall of mist and spray which relentlessly rushed down upon them, in the faint hope that some passing vessel might appear through the gloom of the gale.

At length the skipper turned and scrambled down the sloping bridge to where the mate crouched on the lee rail. "We shall have to try the boats, Mr. Smith; she'll not last much longer!" he shouted, the wind picking up each word as he uttered it and sweeping them away to leeward, as if jealous of the mate hearing them.

"It's a very poor chance," said the mate; "but I suppose it's our only one. How long do you give her?"

"Half an hour at the outside. Are the boats all ready?"

"They've been ready since morning," said the mate; "but can we get them in the water unsmashed, and won't the firemen rush them?"

"I don't think so," replied the skipper; "there's time enough and room enough for all to get away."

But his face took a grimmer look as he led the way down the bridge to the charthouse, the mate following him. Inside they could hear each other with greater ease, and the skipper, while taking his revolver from a drawer, gave the mate his final instructions.

"We'll lower the forward lifeboat first, as she's the biggest; you will take charge of her, get your crew aboard, and have every one in his place before we start to lower, so that you can shove off as soon as she touches the water. If those patents act you ought to be all right." (The boats were fitted with a patent contrivance, by which the tackles holding them are automatically released the moment the boat is water-borne, so that there is no unhooking of blocks to be done while the boat is getting dashed to pieces against the ship's side.)

"I shall be all right," said the mate, "but what about you? Who's going to lower the falls of the after boat? You can't manage it from the boat itself, with all the crowd you will have on board."

"I'll lower her from the deck," said the skipper. "If they have a long painter made fast to the ship they can easily pull up again under the counter, and I'll make a jump for it."

"Mind you don't jump short; you'd have a poor chance with those boots and oilskins on," said the mate.

"Oh, I'll manage," replied the skipper. "Call the men up."

The men came up in a body, and the skipper came out on deck, revolver in hand.

"The ship's sinking," he said, "and I have decided to take to the boats. There's plenty of time and room for all to get away in safety, if you obey my orders. You will remain standing where you are till I call your names, then the man whose name is called will take his place in the boat. Any man that starts for the boat before I tell him, I shoot; understand all?"

There was a low murmur from the men, and the skipper continued.

"Mr. Smith will take charge of the boat."

The mate, with a look at the skipper, climbed into the boat as she hung in the davits. The skipper then called the names of the crew he proposed to send in her, sending first the sailors, so that the mate might place each in his proper station in the boat, before the firemen, etc., who would be of no use in the critical manoeuvres of getting her away from the ship's side, crowded her up. But these same firemen did not understand his reason, and thought he was showing undue preference to his own men, and, a heavier sea than usual striking the steamer, there was a cry of "She's going down, and he's sending the sailors first!" and a rush for the boat.

Stand back!" cried the skipper.

"Crack! and the leading fireman spread out his hands and pitched on his face, rolling in a limp bundle down on the lee rail. The rest of the men stopped. They might as well be drowned as shot, they thought, and they huddled together, looking with horrified glances at their dead comrade. The skipper paused, lowered his revolver, and then called the next name; they had learned their lesson, and went quietly to the boat, which got safely away, and drifted out of sight in the midst of the gale.

The other boat was filled without any mishap, and the skipper, the only man left on the deck, lowered her; she also got clear away and drifted out to the full length of her painter. The skipper walked aft to wait for them to haul up again. He had to pass the body of the dead man, and he did not look at it. The boat was hauling up on the painter, and was getting close; the skipper got on the rail ready to jump. At that moment a fireman, the brother of the man he had shot, reached over the boat's bow, and, with a cry of "Blast you, stop and drown with Bill!" cut the painter.

The distance between the ship and the boat began to widen instantly, and in spite of the frantic efforts of the sailors at the oars, the deeply laden boat was swept away and blotted down from the rails and made his way back to the bridge deck. He had just ten minutes to live. Ten minutes to prepare for the next world, after forty years at sea!

He climbed up on the bridge again, and sat on the canvas windscreen to think. His wife and children, who would look after them now? His wages were $80 per month; on that he had had but small chance to save. Well, he supposed the Shipmasters' Society would do something for her, but she would have to give up her little house at Forest Gate, and drop from the position of a captain's wife to letting lodgings; perhaps one of the children could be got into an orphanage; if not, well, it meant starvation or the workhouse. He thought of his own life, of his hard, ill-used boyhood, cabin boy in Quebec on a timber ship; of his manhood spent in unremitting toil in all parts of the world; of the various ships he had commanded, in each of which he had been expected to use less coal, less paint, fewer provisions, and to go with smaller crews than in the last. He thought of the blackguards he had had to command as crews, and the trouble he had had with them, and the old sailor proverb rose to his lips: "To live hard, work hard, die hard, and go to Davy Jones's locker after all, would be too hard." Well, he'd not had much fun out of life, and now he was going to find out what it all meant. Anyway, he had always done his best for his ship.

His eye fell on the dead body of the fireman. That too! If the man should indict him at the bar of the last judgment he would answer there, as he would have answered to an earthly court: "In my judgment it was necessary for the safety of the men in my charge." A sudden quiver warned him she was nearly gone, and he rose to his feet for one last look to windward. As he looked into the blinding spray, he saw a large wave come out of the mist, and knew it would swamp her. He gripped the rail with both hands, and his lips moved in a half forgotten prayer. "Our Father, which art"——and the wave swept on. But the Saraband had gone. The skipper had gone to meet his fireman where "there shall be no more sea."—Temple Bar.

Corn Diet Makes Tall Men.

The proof that corn bread diet makes bigger men physically can be found in the rural districts of Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky, where hominy and corn bread constitutes the staff of life. A table in any of the rural districts in those states on which there is no dish prepared from corn is a curiosity, and in those states men who fall below the stature of five feet are dwarfs. Six feet is the regulation size, and men who tower considerably above this hight are accepted by the inhabitants as a matter of course.

Of course, climatic influence must be considered when stature is under discussion, but the food forms the basis of calculation. It is generally accepted by men who have given this subject thought that the six-footers of Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky as a rule were brought up on hominy or corn bread as the main food supply. If the crowned heads of Europe could but be convinced that corn bread will result in a nation of six-footers, the American farmer would hardly be able to raise corn enough to supply the European markets.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

The most violent thunder storms are experienced in French Guiana.

UNHAPPY PORTO RICO.

The Spaniards Have Had a Varied List of Misfortunes in the Islands.

"The Island of Porto Rico" is the subject of an interesting illustrated article by Fred A. Ober in the Century. Mr. Ober says:

Those early settlers may well have deserved their fate; still, one may hardly withhold sympathy from them in their many and varied misfortunes. In 1515 they had a visitation of ants which devoured everything before them; and then, soon after the insects had been driven away or destroyed, an epidemic of the smallpox decimated their ranks, swiftly followed by another disease, more insidious, but scarcely less fatal in its effects. In 1529 French pirates burned the town of San German, on the south coast; the fierce Caribs ravaged the eastern provinces, carrying off some of their prominent men to be sacrificed at cannibal repasts; and seventy years later, in 1595, "that great pirate, Don Francisco Drake," appeared off San Juan, which city he sacked, the English claim; but to be gloriously repulsed, the Spaniards say. The fortifications of San Juan then mounted seventy pieces of artillery, with thirty-four in the great Castillo del Morro alone. There is no doubt that a Dutch attack was repelled in 1615, and another English attempt defeated in 1678; but in the latter instance the Porto Ricans were aided by a hurricane, which destroyed many of the ships of war. The islanders were wont to point many a moral with this signal instance of divine interposition, until a fleet of their own was similarly destroyed, in 1702, when it seemed to them more rational to ascribe such an event to natural causes.

During the greater part of the seventeenth centry the filibusteros and bucaneros, composed of combined Dutch, French and English renegade adventurers, continually harried the coast and attacked the supply galleons coming from Spain. At first intrenched in the island of St. Kitts, they were driven out by a fleet under Don Federico Toledo, fitted out in Porto Rico, when they flocked to the island of Tortuga, north of the coast of Haiti, whence they preyed upon Spanish commerce at their convenience.

The Morro of San Juan, standing well out at sea, was a chip on the Spanish shoulder at which passing ships could not resist taking a shot or two. The last great attack upon San Juan, previous to the American bombardment of this year, was in 1797, by the English, under Abercrombie, who were compelled to retire after a three days' siege.

During the century that has elapsed since that event the inhabitants of this rock-ribbed fortress town have boasted the impregnability of their fortifications, until so rudely disturbed by the guns of modern battle-ships.

An Insolent Boy.

I am reminded of the little boy who applied for a job at a squire's house, where he could earn five shillings a week by making himself generally useful, says a writer in London Answers.

Squire—Can you clean silver?

Boy—Yes, sir.

"Can you cook and light fires and sing and dust old china and make beds?"

"Oh, yes, sir."

"Can you clean bicycles and repair punctured tires and tune pianos?"

"Certainly, sir."

"Can you mend electric bells and do plumbing and gas fitting, teach modern and ancient languages, geography and the use of globes?"

"I can, and also do anything else that is required."

"Then I think you will do."

Boy—Thank you, sir. By the way, is your house built on a clay soil?"

Squire—Well, it happens that it is. But what has that to do with you?"

"Well, I thought you would like me to fill up my spare time by making bricks."

He was not engaged for his insolence.

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Better Public Roads Needed.

Some well-informed authority on the subject of public roads states that there are 1,500,000 miles of public roads in the United States, over which the aggregate amount of 500,000,000 tons of freight is hauled annually.

Estimating the average distance over which freight is thus hauled from the farm to the depot at eight miles, it is figured that the total cost of hauling freight annually over the public roads in the United States is $1,000,000,000, or $2 per ton.

With uniformly good public roads it is claimed that the cost of hauling freight from the farm to the depot ought not to be more than $400,000,000, or $600,000,000 less than what it is at present. This difference is strongly emphasized by the authority from whom we quote when he states that it is equivalent to the yearly interest on $20,000,000,000 of three per cent. Government bonds, and adds that with only one-half of this almost inconceivably vast amount every public road in the United States could be rebuilt.

There is food for serious thought in the figures which are thus given. Public roads are the arteries of the nation just as much as are the railway systems, and the prosperity of the nation must necessarily depend, in a large measure, upon the manner in which it cares for its public roads. One of the greatest sources of strength which the old Roman empire possessed was derived from its magnificent public roads, many of which are as well preserved to-day almost as they were in the time of the Cæsars. European travelers at the present time state that Germany is indebted to her public roads more than to anything else for much of the imperial stability which to-day belongs to her.

While the penalty of bad public roads is visited primarily upon the farmer, it affects ultimately every industrial, commercial and agricultural interest of the nation. In the North and East the public roads are in fairly good condition, but in the South and West they are in extremely bad condition, and steps must speedily be taken to overcome this evil if either section expects to make the most of its possibilities.—Atlanta Constitution.

A Field For Agitation.

Highway agitation seems to be sadly needed in Lawrence, Kan. The Journal of that city, in a recent issue, says that "there is no country road leading to the city but is in better condition than the best street on the south side." The worst street of all is Massachusetts, and on it the city has done no work "through the park in years, save to drag the scraper through it occasionally. Through that park road the mud has been from one to three feet deep, and a loaded wagon could not go through it. This on a street within a block of the business portion of the town, and on a street traveled necessarily by a large number of people, is a shame and a disgrace to any city or community that claims to be civilized. We pay out thousands of dollars a year in charities to people who are able to work, and who should be made to work, and if they were put on the roads the amount given them each year would keep some of the streets, at least, in good condition. It is time something practical was done. Almost half a century has come and gone since Lawrence was settled, and to-day the roads and streets are in far worse condition than when the first settler came."

Steam Wagons For Heavy Loads.

London Engineering describes the recent trial of steam wagons to carry heavy loads on ordinary thoroughfares as encouraging, though the matter still requires much study and experiment. At one of the trials the loads carried by the different wagons varied from two to five tons, and the conditions of the test were that the vehicles should be able to go anywhere that similar ones drawn by horses could go. The test was moderately well sustained, and it was demonstrated that there were no obstacles to the ultimate practical success of the employment of steam wagons on common roads, but that general improvement of the latter would have a good deal to do with it

The Movement in California.

The good roads movement is getting a strong hold in old Sonoma County, which is becoming one of the most progressive counties in the State. The live people there are opposed to building any more wooden bridges and are in favor of iron-stone culverts and fills where possible, and iron or stone bridges where there must be bridges. They favor putting the roads in charge of the county surveyor, sprinkling the roads thoroughly and enforcing the wide-tire law. They are divided in opinion about issuing bonds, but seem to be agreed that the cities should help build the country roads on accouut of the benefit of the trade which they bring.—San Francisco Chronicle.

New Way of Road Making.

A unique plan of fixing the big Buttersville hill has been adopted by the commissioners of Pere Marquette township, says the Ludington (Wis.) Appeal. A two and one-half inch pipe, 1000 feet long, has been run from the Buttersville mill to the top of the hill. Water is run through the pipe and washes away the sand which has drifted over the road, making it almost impassable. In this way hundreds of tons of sand can be removed with but little effort. The hill will be in shape for travel in a few days.

Items.

The sprinkling cart is a daily necessity if macadam roads are to be maintained at their best.

Two equally good farms, not far apart, in Pennsylvania, were recently sold. The one on a macadam road brought ninety dollars an acre and the one on a mud road but sixty.

The death of William H. Rhawn, of Philadelphia, one of the early and active workers in the good roads cause, is regretfully announced. He was closely identified with the movement in many ways, and was largely instrumental in offering the prizes for essays on road-building.

A Tale of the Sea.

On May 8th last the tug Thomas G. Smith, owned by F. A. Von Boyneburgk (an ex-director of the Maritime Exchange) was wrecked in Chesapeake Bay in a big storm, the captain and crew being rescued with difficulty. Mr. Von Boyneburgk has a summer residence at Cape Map, where he went recently with his family, and where a strange sequel to the wreck has transpired, which he tells as follows:

"Three days ago, while at my cottage at Stone Harbor, Seven-Mile Beach, near Cape May, an object was observed floating in the breakers and making frantic efforts to effect a landing right in front of my house. George Cressy, a resident of Seven-Mile Beach, like myself, became very much interested, and started out to help the object, which looked like a square boat, to land. A few minutes later it was safely on the beach, and turned out to be the pilot house of a small steamer. Mr. Cressy entered the house, and now comes the curious part of the story. When he emerged he brought with him two water-soaked documents, which he found attached to the woodwork.

"Without saying a word he handed me the documents to peruse, and need I say that when I glanced at them I was so startled that they almost fell from my hand. They were the inspection papers of my tug, the Thomas G. Smith, and the object before me was her pilothouse. For a moment I was too dumfounded to utter a word. Here this faithful pilothouse had detached itself from the wreck, floating out the Chesapeake Bay and 200 miles up the Jersey coast right to my door."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Military Service in Spain.

Any Spaniard over the age of nineteen is liable to be called into military service for three years. By the payment of $300 he can escape military duty.

Original Way of Testing Gold.

The ordinary practice of taking a bath solved for Archimedes the question of how to test the purity of the gold in Hiero's crown. He observed that when he stepped into a full bath the quantity of water which overflowed was equal to the bulk of his body, and it occurred to him that the worth of the crown might be tested by such means. He thereupon made two masses of the same weight as the crown, one of gold, the other of silver, and immersed them separately in a vessel filled to the brim, measuring exactly the quantity of water that overflowed in each case. Having found by this means what measure of the fluid answered to the quantity of each metal, less in the case of the gold than of the silver—the bulk of the former being less, weight for weight—he next immersed the crow itself, and found that it caused more water to overflow than the gold, but less than the silver. Having found the difference between the two masses of pure gold and silver, in certain known proportions, he was able to compute the real quantity of each metal in the crown, and thus discovered the fraud that had been practised on the king, to whom he hurried, exclaiming, "Eureka! Eureka!" ("I have found it! I have found it!") an exclamation that has ever since been used to express exultation over a discovery.

Man With Variegated Sight.

Eugene Saulley of Indianapolis, Ind., is strangely afflicted. Some time ago he became entirely blind, and it was feared that he was hopelessly robbed of his sight. Gradually his sight returned so that he could see indistinctly as he was led or driven about the city, and he improved until something like his old-time vigor was restored. One day, while stopping at a florist's viewing a handsome wreath of vines, his sight changed, and for three weeks everything upon which he looked, whether man or beast, fowl or plant, showed a bright color of green.

In time this disappeared. Again his sight has undergone a strange transformation. Now if he looks at his watch the whole face of it is a gleaming sheet of brass, but where the figures stand there is a wreath of blue. Everything at which he looks now appears the same. Speaking of his peculiar affliction, Mr. Saulley said:

"It is not pleasant when talking to a friend to see instead of a genial face a hideous, bright yellow countenance embroidered with a wreath of blue."

Physicians are at a loss to account for his strange peculiarity, but are hopeful that with increased physical vigor the trouble with his sight may be rectified.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Modern Armor Plate.

The modern armor-plate is a solid mass of steel containing about five per cent. of nickel, this allow having great ductility and toughness. As has already been stated, however, it is not enough that a plate should resist penetration, but it must be capable of withstanding the tremendous blows of the high-power projectile up to certain limits without cracking; because a cracked plate would speedily be displaced piecemeal. This quality is imparted by the nickel, and when the fact was recognized, in 1890, it was hailed as a great advance in armor efficiency, and nickel steel plates displaced all others. But still another advance has been made, resulting in the nickel steel plate not only stopping the projectile while retaining its own integrity, but also smashing the projectile, so that the huge bolt on striking it does not merely glance off, but is shattered into fragments. This is accomplished by the so-called Harvey face-hardening process which, also, according to Admiral Sampson, "has increased the resistance of armor fully thirty-five per cent. and perhaps fifty per cent., according to the thickness of the plate."

The making of lucifer matches is a state monopoly in France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Greece, Roumania and Servia.

Vouched for by McKinley.

Ralph Botkin, son of Congressman-at-Large J. D. Botkin, of Kansas, is probably the only volunteer soldier in the United States volunteer service who is directly indebted to President McKinley for his enlistment.

When the first call was made for volunteers, Ralph, who is only sixteen years old, went to the recruiting office to enlist, but was rejected on account of a slight physical defect. He grieved a great deal, especially when he saw the Kansas troops of the command of Colonel Lindsey pass through Washington en route to Camp Alger. He went up to the lower house of Congress to ask his father as a special favor to use his influence at the war department in his behalf. He was the only son and Mrs. Botkin, who was ill, hated to see him go to the war, so young.

Mr. Botkin seeing that the boy was very anxious to enlist, called a carriage and both of them rode direct to the White House. Mr. Botkin explained the situation to President McKinley, who, after questioning the young man closely, said that he would suspend the regulations in order to give such a brave young patriot a chance to serve his country.

"What do you want?" asked the president.

"I want to be a private with the other Kansas boys," said young Botkin.

"You have metal enough to be a general," said the president pleasantly

Mr. McKinley called the war department up by telephone, and, after getting the adjutant general of the army, he said:

"Corbin, I have a young Jayhawker here that wants to fight for his country. Assign him to Colonel Lindsey's regiment at Camp Alger, without examination. I will vouch for the fact that he is all right."

That very night Ralph Botkin walked into Camp Alger, reported to Colonel Lindsey, and was assigned to a tent with another Kansas boy.

It is probably the first time in the history of the United States that the president has been called upon to appoint a man to the position of a private in the army.

The Boy Hero of Sevilla.

Among those who fell in the fierce fight near Sevilla, Cuba, was a New York City boy only sixteen years old, who had served in the United States Regular Army only since March last. In the circumstances that led to his joining the Army and meeting in consequence an early but heroic death there is a tinge of pathetic romance. Jacob Willinski was his true name, but he enlisted in the 1st United States Cavalry under the name of Jack Berlin. For several years he lived with his widowed mother and several brothers and sisters at No. 16 Pitt street, and was a pupil of Public School No. 34, in Broome street. Though only 16 years old, he was fully six feet feet tall, and looked at least three or four years more than his age. His mother is now living at Maspeth, Long Island, but from his sister, Mrs. Brunstein, who lives at No. 12 Pitt street, it was learned that he disappeared from home early in February last. Nothing was heard from him until April 22, when he wrote to his mother informing her of his enlistment. "I am a soldier in the United States Army," he wrote, "and am going to Cuba, where I expect to meet my death." He explained at the same time that while walking home with his salary one night either his pockets were picked or he lost the money, but believing that the excuse would not be accepted as true he hesitated to return to his mother.

"I could not pluck up courage enough," he wrote, "to go home that night, so waiting for Sunday night to fall, I crossed to Jersey City, where I caught a freight train for Philadelphia, thence to Chicago, suffering untold agonies. Traveling four days without food, I became desperate. Reaching Chicago, I found work for a day, amounting to $4 which I expended for clothing and food. On March 28, without food or money, I enlisted in the Army."

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The foot bridge is in a dangerious condition, our citizens should see that it is repaired.

Montevallo must have a good graded school.

We would like to see the property holders fix the streets in front of thier property, the weed seem to have full chare of some streets.

Birmingham is to have a grand peace celebration.

We find a printer to be a necissary evil, we have tried to be editor, printer and devil with poor success in the future we will try to have a printer.

THE LUCKY THIRTEEN,

We are and amazingly lucky nation considering that we started in life with thirteen states, have thirteen bars on our flag, thirteen stars on our coat of arms, thirteen leaves on the laurel branch clutched by the American eagle, thirteen arrows in that noble bird's port claw, and finally, thirteen letters in our national motto "E Pluribus Unm"

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seems to stick together. A watch to keep good time should be kept in regular use, this is why most ladies have so much trouble with their watches, they lay them away for a week and get them out and on winding find that it will not run or that the main spring has broken.

A Watch should be wound up twice aday to insure correct time In winding only once aday the watch runs so nearely that the spring becomes too weak to its duty and oftentimes the wearer finds his watch is almost an hour slow, this is caused by the watch itopping in his pocket, and a sudden jar or motion sets it to going again and on being taken from the pocket show to nearly an hour slow put still going, this causing him to say hard things abut the jeweler who repaired it whiehe is not to blame. The engineer who wishses to make agood rate with his train trys to keep his engine under the same presure of steam by a stedy fire.

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Mr. A. J. Lee, has returned from his summer vacation.

The editor made a flying trip to Columbiana, Monday.

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Don't forget that Morgan Bros. are the people who advertise.

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Miss Lula Wilson, of Calera, is visiting Miss Lois McCarley.

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Tough steaks is a rarity these days what has become of the butcher.

Keep cool if your neighbor will let you.

John R. Oxley, of Longview, was in town yesterday.

Messrs Ed Ambrose and Henry Little was in town yesterday.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

Mrs. S. B. Moore of Calera visited Mrs. Payne this week.

Hush money some time speak loud.

Some girls must think it is leap year, they meet the boys half way going to church.

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Mr. S. S. Dill who has been working in Warrington Florida, is at home on a visit.

The tramps have discovered our back door we are now in the hand out business.

Miss Myrtle Lawrence, is visiting friends and relatives in Stanton this week.

Several of our citizens went down to attend Capt. Reynold's wedding Tuesday.

A great many of our friends were disappointed in not getting to vote for the incorporation.

The finest gypsie outfit that was ever in Montevallo, are campted near the big spring.

Morgan Bros. are having thier stone painted, Mr. Finley is the artist that is doing the work.

Mr. Frank Knoell went to Anniston yesterday, to the Congressional Convention.

The board of Trustees will meet in the near future. There will be some new teachers appointed.

Misses Bettie Dill Benna Oxley and Lela Oxley attended the meeting at Dogwood last week.

Messrs Roland Lee, Philip Lacey, and Miss Nellie Griffin of Bridgeton, was in town Sunday.

A faker in the shape of a rope walker was in town last week. Look out for the petrified woman and wooden leged man.

We are

Editor, Printer and Devil this week, so please excuse our short-comings.

A Greek Indian gave an exhibition at the negro Church Friday night. Those present give avery glowing account of it.

While the preacher was praying shors trader, traded horses three times near Dogwood last week.

Capt. Reynolds, is making arrangements to build water works for the School. They will be put up at the spring.

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A slight mistake appeared in the News last week, we stated that our printer Mr. G. D. Mitchell had gone to Cuba, but we discovered since that he found a blind tiger and has been chasing it ever since.

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Mr. Geo. Morgan, of Morgan Bros. Montevallo, Ala. spoke of the energetic way in which Louisville was pushing her product in the South. In Alabama especially she is making great head way in the face of sharp competition from St Louis. Baltimore. and Cincinnati. (Louisville Times)

MARRIAGE

Capt. H. C. Reynolds and Mrs. Augusta Nelson, were quietly married in Montgomery Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock. They are now in the north an extened trip. The many friends here join the News in wishing them a long and happy life.

EPWORTH LEAUE.

Mr. Wm. Abernethy president of Wood Lawn league gave our league his plan for league work, in his address Sunday after-noon.

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NOTICE!

A reward of $5.00 is hereby offered for evidence to convict the party or parties who recently castrated my fine Berkshire boar.

Some party has the 37th volume of my Columbia Encyclopedia. They will greatly oblige by returning.

D. L. WILKINSON, M. D.

DEATH.

News reached the city on the Sabbath of the death of Miss Diamond Sibley, who was, during the past two years, a pupil it the Polytechnic Institut. Her home is at Ivy, Ala., Sumter County, but when her death occurred she was visiting relatives some distance from home. While information is but meagre, and while we have not all the facts with reference to this sad event, it seems that her death was very sudden and unexpected, being the result of heart desease.

There were few girls more popular than she, and by her solid worth she had drawn to herself the love and confidence of those who knew her best.

The News extends its deepest sympathy to her loved ones and assures them that the little town of Montevallo mourns the loss of this bright fair girl. We will miss her from our college halls, but trust that she is now learning, not the mysteries of earth, but the deeper mysteries of the infinite beyond from the Author of all knowledge.

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What the Old Man Called It.

"This is the parlor, eh?" tentatively remarked the real estate agent who was looking over the house. "Yes," replied old man Kidder; "but I usually call it the courtroom. I've got seven daughters, you know."—Harper's Bazaar.

The Biggest Bicycle in the World.

A German has just completed a bicycle that has one wheel nine feet in diameter. Two people ride it—one on each side of the monster wheel. It runs as easily as a smaller bicycle because of its scientific construction. The scientific formula of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the reason of its great virtues in making the weak strong, and in curing most of the every-day ailments of men and women. If your health is poor, try a bottle.

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An Amusing Incident.

An amusing incident occurred in an A., B. & C. car the other afternoon. Four young couples, evidently out for an enjoyable day, were seated on one side of the car having a decidedly good time. While their merriment was at its height a seven-year-old boy across the aisle suddenly leaned forward.

"Say, mister," he called to one of the young men, "why don't yon kiss your girl?"

The young man looked up in surprise, and the girl—a pretty girl, too—blushed.

"Talmage. Talmage," said the boy's father, "what do you mean by such talk?"

The boy looked at his father in surprised disgust.

"What's the matter with you, dad?" he cried. "You told me you'd do it if you was him!"

And the father found the landscape decidedly interesting until the young people left the car.

STORIES OF RELIEF.

Two Letters to Mrs. Pinkham.

Mrs. JOHN WILLIAMS, Englishtown, N. J., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot begin to tell you how I suffered before taking your remedies. I was so weak that I could hardly walk across the floor without falling. I had womb trouble and such a bearing-down feeling; also suffered with my back and limbs, pain in womb, inflammation of the bladder, piles and indigestion. Before I had taken one bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I felt a great deal better, and after taking two and one-half bottles and half a box of your Liver Pills I was cured. If more would take your medicine they would not have to suffer so much."

Mrs. JOSEPH PETERSON, 513 East St., Warren, Pa., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have suffered with womb trouble over fifteen years. I had inflammation, enlargement and displacement of the womb. I had the backache constantly, also headache. and was so dizzy. I had heart trouble, it seemed as though my heart was in my throat at times choking me. I could not walk around and I could not lie down, for then my heart would beat so fast I would feel as though I was smothering. I had to sit up in bed nights in order to breathe. I was so weak I conld not do anything.

"I have now taken several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and used three packages of Sanative Wash, and can say I am perfectly cured. I do not think I could have lived long if Mrs. Pinkham's medicine had not helped me."

"SHANG HY" PIERCE'S STAMPEDE.

Indians and a Thunder Storm Crushed the Cattle Until They Lost Their Horns.

"The favorite story with all cattlemen," said W. P. Anderson of Chicago, "is one of a stampede. When a man witnesses one he never forgets it.

"I have heard many tales of the kind, but never a better one than that told by A. H. Pierce, known all over the range country as 'Shang Hy' Pierce. He told it in the Lindell Hotel in Kansas City. As near as I can remember it was as follows:

"'Several years ago I started from the range of Texas with 2,000 cattle which I wanted to drive into Kansas. It was the regular routine work to gather them from the ranges in Texas and start the drive. Of course, we expected that we would get to Kansas in due time and without trouble. I had driven innumerable herds over the trail and very seldom had any trouble. I did not anticipate trouble on this trip, as when I started out I had with me the best lot of cow punchers that ever left Texas.

"'It was a beautiful sight when we started out, driving 2,000 long-horned steers. The men were all in good spirits, planning to daub red paint all over Kansas City. Through the thick dust from the hoofs of the cattle and horses could be seen the red handkerchiefs of the cowboys as they dashed up and down, gathering the herd together and swearing in a loud and good-natured manner.

"'When we were out about four days we met a small band of Indians, who bothered us until we drove them away. We go into quite a fight over the matter. We discovered them early in the morning and by afternoon we forgot all about the Indians and were busy taking care of our stock. We knew that a heavy storm was coming up and wanted to get our herd pretty well bunched before dark, so we could handle them easily in case of rough weather.

"'That night there was a stampede in the herd and we never did get a large number of the cattle, although the herd proper was saved. The stampede was caused by the Indians with whom we had trouble in the morning. By the flashes of lightning we saw them scampering away across the plains in an opposite direction to that taken by the herd.

"'The stampede started shortly after midnight and I do not believe I will ever forget what I went through before daylight. The Indians gathered upon the flank of the cattle and worried them, until the whole herd was in motion. Of course in a wink we were all up and mounted and after the herd trying to stop the stampede and keep them together.

"'Shortly after the stampede started the storm began and the bright flashes of lightning and the heavy rolling of thunder added to the madness of the cattle. Above the roar of the storm and the thunder of the hoofs of the cattle I could hear my men yelling and trying by every power to keep them together. The bellowing of the mad cattle, the rush of the horses, the yelling of the men and the thunder made a combination of noises the like of which I never expect to hear again. Just as dawn commenced to streak the horizon we managed to turn the head of the rushing column and in a short time had them going in a circle, milling.

"'With daylight the storm ceased and we could see every movement. After we once got the herd going in a circle it was easy to keep them together, and our efforts were directed toward making the circle so small that the stampede would be stopped. As it grew smaller nothing but a moving bunch of great horns could be seen above the herd. And they kept milling and milling and milling.'

"Here the story teller stopped to take a chaw of tobacco and one of the interested listeners interrupted to know what happened next.

"'Well,' continued Pierce, 'they kept milling and milling, and when they stopped I found that in their milling they had ground all their horns off, and I drove the herd into Kansas and sold them for muleys.'"

PENNSYLVANIA NON-COMBATANTS.

Sects That Do Not Believe in War, but Are Patriotic Nevertheless.

A correspondent of the New York Sun has just finished up a journey among the non-combatants of Pennsylvania. They include Quakers, Dunkers, Amish, Mennonites, Anabaptists, Moravians, and a few other independent sects of recent origin. As for the genuine stock of Quakers, very few young, able-bodied men were seen. In many sections the Quaker meeting houses are closed. At other points the meeting houses are opened once or twice a month and a few elderly people come from miles around to worship. The men who maintain the communion are too old to go to war, even if they were combatants. They of course deprecate war and are opposed to bloodshed, but they are intensely loyal to the cause of humanity, and think that Spain's cruelties in Cuba should stop. Many young men of Quaker extraction who long ago gave up the garb of their denomination and associated themselves with other churches have enlisted to help free Cuba.

The Mennonites are constantly increasing in numbers where the Quakers are dying out. So with the Dunkers and Amish. Their young men are well built, strong in bone and muscle, but throughout all their beautiful farming country there is thought only for agricultural pursuits. They do not go to law with any one, have strife with no one, take very little interest in politics, pay their taxes like good citizens, but take no part in municipal affairs, and do not go to war. During the civil war they made up large sums to pay for substitutes during the drafts. They are opposed to war on general principles, because their sects are for peace at all times, at home and abroad. They are intensely interested in the struggle with Spain, but are very careful not to talk about it with strangers. Their devotion to the flag is unquestioned, and they want to see victory for the nation, but they do not enlist, simply because they wish to be considered non-combatants. Their neighbors outside the sect have the greatest respect for them. Whenever they can contribute toward the assistance of any family whose head has gone to war, they cheerfully do so. A bag of meal, ham or bacon, a generous roast of veal when a calf is killed, potatoes by the bushel, wood by the load, and many other things are hauled to the house. So while these non-combatants do not shoulder the musket or draw the sword, they are willing to do their share in taking care of soldiers' families left behind.

The Effect of Wind on Lakes.

Attention has been called to the very remarkable effect of the wind on various inland bodies of water. It is not unusual for the residents in towns on the shores of lakes to be greatly inconvenienced, provided a heavy wind blowing on shore continues for any length of time. In the Baltic Sea the level has been altered for upwards of eight feet. Sometimes the water is blown out of a channel, leaving it almost dry. In one instance a depression of six feet occurred on one side of a body of water with a corresponding rise of six feet on the other. Lake Erie has been known to alter its level a distance of fifteen feet on account of heavy winds, and Lake Michigan was at one time the subject of considerable interest from the same cause. The wind was heavy and continuous and piled the water up on one side, while the other was so low that people walked out upon rocks where in the memory of man no feet had ever trodden.—New York Ledger.

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Punctilious.

"So you don't want breakfast badly enough to take off your coat and pull a few weeds out of the garden," she remarked scornfully. "Madam," said Meandering Mike, deprecatingly, "luck has been agin me. But I'm still too much of a gent to take off me coat in the presence of a lady."—Washington Star.

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Some Queer Peruvian Dishes.

On the whole the living in Lima is very good. You will not find in Washington or New York a better meat and fish market than that of Lima. The meats are largely sold by women, and the women seem to have monopolized the milk, meat and vegetable trade of this city. The steaks and chops are very good, and you can buy a little kid or a half dozen guinea pigs for a trifle. The Peruvians are very fond of kids, and guinea pigs are a delicacy not to be sneered at. They taste much like young pigeons or very tender squirrels. They are raised and fattened for eating all about here and nearly every farmer keeps a guinea pig pen. Another queer dish is fish cooked by putting cold lemon juice on it. It is really raw fish served with lemon juice, but the lemon has much the same effect on the flesh of the fish as boiling, and I have a number of times smacked my lips over what I thought was the most delicious boiled fish I had ever eaten to find that it was fish a la serviche, that is raw fish and lemon. The fish of this coast are delicious. They are of nearly every kind from the sole to the corbina, which is a very large and sweet fleshed fish not unlike the bluefish of the Atlantic, though of a more delicious flavor. I have tried the Peruvian oysters at the National Club. They were brought to me parboiled on the half shell.—Correspondence Washington Star.

Funny Toothache Cures.

Before the days of dentists, and when people generally believed in the value of charms, there were ever so many mysterious ways of preventing toothache.

One of these was to dress the right side of the body first—right stocking, right shoe, right sleeve, right glove. A favorite plan in Scotland was to draw a tooth, salt it well, and burn it in full view on glowing coals. In Cornwall many save their teeth by biting the first young ferns that appear.

The custom of catching a common ground mole, cutting off the paws while the little creature still lives, and wearing them, is traced to Staffordshire, England. Some people who are fond of exercise believe that walking twelve miles—no more, no less—to get a splinter of the toothache tree that grows particularly well in Canada and Virginia, will drive away the worst ache and pain that ever tortured a tooth.

The belief that toothache is caused by a worm at the roots is prevalent in many parts of the world; hence, this cure: Reduce several different kinds of herbs—the greater the variety the better—to a powder. Put a glowing coal into this powder and inhale the incense. Afterward breathe into a cup of water, and the worm will be gone forever. —New York World.

Genealogy on a Turtle's Shell.

James Barton, of Conklin, N. Y., has unearthed on his farm a turtle which, in its way, is a family heirloom. Mr. Barton was plowing recently when the turtle was brought to light. On its shell was inscribed "Ashabel Hastings, July 14, 1824, Joel Barton, June 16, 1863." Ashabel Hastings was James Barton's grandfather, and Joel Hastings his father. A short distance from the field is a road where, while Ashabel Hastings was yet living, the turtle was found and marked by Joel Barton. Ashabel said that at the time of its first capture it was apparently old. It is thought the turtle is more than a hundred. James Barton inscribed his name on the shell and set it free, to bear the record to future generations.—New York Press.

Aluminum in the French Army.

Aluminum is likely to be extensively used in the French army for cooking utensils instead of tin. A large supply of articles, hitherto made of the latter metal, has just been issued to the troops of all arms in each army corps, in order that a thorough trial of its merits may be made, and in the event of this proving thoroughly satisfactory, aluminum is to be permanently adopted.

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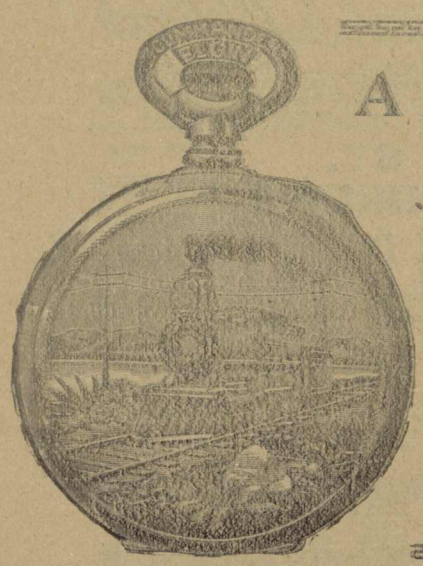

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Is It Worth While?

Is it worth while that we jostle a brother
Bearing his load on the rough road of life?
Is it worth while that we jeer at each other
In blackness of heart—that we war to the knife?
God pity us all in our pitiful strife.
God pity us all as we jostle each other;
God pardon us all for the triumph we feel
When a fellow goes down 'neath his load on the heather,
Pierced to the heart; words are keener than steel,
And mightier far for woe or for weal
Were it not well, in this brief little journey
On over the isthmus down into the tide.
We give him a fish instead of a serpent,
Ere folding the hands to be and abide
Forever and aye in dust at his side?
Look at the roses saluting each other;
Look at the herds all at peace on the plain—
Man and man only, makes war on his brother,
And laughs in his heart at his peril and pain;
Shamed by the beast that go down on the plain.
Is is worth while that we battle to humble.
Some poor fellow soldier down into the dust?
God pity us all! Time off soon will tumble
All of us together like leaves in a gust,
Humbled, indeed, down into the dust.

—Joaquin Miller.

"FAST."

One of the saddest things Nashville has known in many a day is the killing of young Davis. It occurred this week. He was fatally stabbed by J. G. Cisco.

And yet, sad as that killing is, the cause thereof is sadder still.

Mr. Cisco is a Confederate veteran. For years he was a prominent news paper man and a writer of no mean ability. And whereever knowu he has been recognized as a citizen of exceptional character.

Mr. Davis, who died at the hands of this good citizen, belonged to one of the very best families. No people in Dickson, where they live are more respectable or more highly esteemed than are his parents. The young man himself seems to have been universally liked and admired. His friends seem not now to believe he was guilty of the crime for which he was slain, such faith have they in his uprightness.

"Your daughter is ruined." This was the awful news that suddenly overwhelmed the unsuspecting father. Poor Mr. Cisco had never the slightest suspicion of a thing so terrible as this. He loved his motherless girl. He was proud of the long and honorable record of a family whose unstained history he could trace through three centuries. "Your daguhter is ruined," said the doctor. Oh, if it had been Your doughter is dead! That had been the sweetest announcement ever a father heard, compared to the disgrace and the grief so awful, so unsupportable as this.

"Who is guilty of this unspeakable deed? Who is the author of this unutterable outrage? I must know—I shall know.

With the innocent babe beside her, with the infuriated father confronting her, she knew not what to do. She uttered a name.

The blade, they say, was long and sharp—as keen of edge as any razor. It was the weapon he selected.

"Where is Mr. Davis, a young man employed by this house?

The clerk of whom the question was asked never dreamed that this calm, deliberate gentleman purposed a tragedy so dreadful.

He was directed to the rear of the large room, and there he found his victim, just as he came up out of the cellar bearing a bundle of goods. Besides the two no one was present to see or hear what passed. But the awful deed was done.

The old man—he is 54 years old—walked deliberately out of the store. His clothes were stained with gaeat splotches where the red blood had spurted; and as he walked away he wiped the long blade with his handkeachief.

The young man rushed back into the book-keeper's office. They took him to ahospital. His father and mother were summoned. The doctors did what they could. But that long Keen blade had done its work to well.

He lived long enough to kiss his mother and to speak to the father he loved so well—to tell them that he was innocent—to say he had forgiven the hand that took his life.

They carried his body back to his old home and laid it away in the old family burial grounds. But the deselate homes, the broken hearts, the grief that stays in spite of the best that earth can bring! What shall be done? Simply endure? Simply go on in sight of the crushing load on the poor bleeding heart? Go on with the affairs and sports of life as though nothing had happened?

Rather let the apostle's injunction be heeded: "Bear ye one another's burdens," and let those who have eyes to see and ears to hear, learn a solemn lesson never to be forgot.

"She was fast." so they tell. She played and laughed and sang along the brink. In a careless moment or in the frenzy of passion she suffered her foot to slip and the fatal plunge was made.

She was fast! The words have a fearful signficance—a significance that every Parent should understand. Every mother and father should warn against its first and faintest sign, as they would warn against the approach of a leper or against the hiss, or touch of a venomous beast.

Only the other day ayoung man in Atlanta was being sued for a breach of promise. The father of the young women happened to see the young man as he sat quietly in the court room. With the fury of a wild beast he sprang on the despoiler of his child and his home. The old man—his head was white wite the snows of 70 winters—the poor old man was carried to jail. the young man with his throat cut was taken to the hospital.

She, too, was fast. Innocent is it? Plearant pastime? Alas! Alas! who can measure the grief and the shame it cost?—Florence Standard Journal.

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PARTY.

At the home of Mrs. Davidson the following young people enjoyed a very pleasant evening. Charlie Davidson with Miss Bessie Steele. Chris Dill with Miss Laura Towles. George Lawrence with Miss Imogene Vandegrift. John Adams with Miss Ethel Strong. Harry Strong, with Miss Lois McCauley. Abb Fancher with Miss Ollie Bryan. Misses Lucile Fancher and Mamie Davidson.

The following young men were present. Edgar Allen. Richard Dill. George Allen. and John Kroell. Mrs. Davidson is a charming hostess and entertain the young people royally.

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THE SAILOR'S FAREWELL.

We'll sail away by morning,
At the day's first dawn of light,
When the guns are loudly booming
And we're stripp'd to win the fight.
So cheer up, my own sweet dove,
Let not grief thy beauty stain;
As a proof of faithful love.
Wear this gem and golden chain.
Then farewell to home and wife,
I go where my duty guides;
'Tis a proud and gallant life,
The mate of a sailor's bride.

If I should fall, my darling,
'Neath the foeman's deadly hand,
Remember I died fighting
For freedom's glorious land,
So chase away all sorrow
While the merry bugles play,
Though darkness veils to-morrow,
The light will come next day.
Then farewell to home and wife,
I go where duty guides;
'Tis a proud and gallant life,
The mate of a sailor's bride.

Running the Gauntlet.

I found myself, a few years ago, in a port on the west coast of South America during one of those revolutions which seem so characteristic of the South American republics. I was then an assistant engineer on the United States cruiser San Francisco. The port was still in the hands of the forces of the recognized government; but the revolutionists had been making recent gains in places not far away, and our admiral, in order to protect American interests, had brought his little fleet, consisting of the San Francisco, the Baltimore and the Pensacola, into the harbor. English, French and German men of-war were also present.

The city lies on the shore of a broad, deep bay. Across the harbor lies a summer resort, once very popular, but at the time of which I write little frequented.

The distance from the city to the summer resort is only four or five miles in a direct line, but twice as far around the coast of the bay. A railroad connected the two places and it is of a remarkable ride that I took on a locomotive over this road that I wish to tell.

I had a considerable leisure while we were in port, and as I wished to acquire a knowledge of the Spanish language, I spent as much time as possible ashore, mingling with the inhabitants and soldiers, noting their accent and idioms. Among the men whose acquaintance I made in this way was William McDougal, better known as "Scotty," a grizzled, hard-headed, muscular and well preserved Scotchman, who, although he had been in the country twenty years, still spoke Spanish badly. He was engineer in charge of one of the locomotives running between the harbor and the old summer resort.

I had frequently ridden with him on his engine, and had derived considerable amusement from his gruff talk and the picturesque vituperation he showered upon his native fireman, who, however, understood not a word of it all.

For several weeks there had been a daily fright on shore over the expected attack by the revolutionary fleet, which was known to be only sixty miles away. The troops were drilling, and a gun had been mounted on a point commanding the harbor. To restore public confidence, the government officials decided upon a grand review of the troops, to be held at the old summer resort, and on the appointed day I rode over there from the port with Scotty, his engine slowly pulling a long train of flat cars crowded with soldiers.

The men were good looking fellows, well uniformed, the very flower of the government army, many of them being veterans of an earlier war. I remarked to Scotty that they should make a good fight.

'A gude fight, d'ye say?" replied Scotty, "Ye dinna ken the cattle. If tha' Donna Maria shows her nose aroun' yon point." Indicating the northern entrance of the bay, "there'll be a great scattering."

The Donna Maria as well as nearly all the other vessels of the republic, was in the possession of the revolutionary party.

After the review in the afternoon was over I hurried back to the station, and caught Scotty's engine just as it was starting back to the port with the first train-load of returning troops.

On the engine was a government colonel and some of the field officers of his regiment. I was in civilian clothing, and as I swung up into the gangway, the colonel, in a pompous and bombastic manner, inquired of Scotty why I was there.

"Amigo de mio,"—friend of mine,—said the laconic Scotty, and further explained in very poor Spanish that I was an "Official abordo el buque de guerra San Francisco."

At this the colonel relaxed. He and I were soon engaged in conversation—an opportunity of which he availed himself to impress on me the absolute absurdity of any naval force attacking with any hope of success a place garrisoned by soldiers so brave as his own, especially when commanded by an officer so valiant as himself. All his fierce gesticulations and grandiloquent expressions were closely followed and tacitly applauded by his fellow officers; but while these terrible warriors were boasting of their valor, Scotty sat silently on his cab seat.

The pull was up-grade for the first two miles, and the train moved slowly. The track was but a few feet above the water of the bay, which it skirted all the way to the port station. Looking seaward, I noticed the smoke of a steamer rising from behind the north point of the bay, and I called the attention of my companions to it.

"Es of vapor del norte," said the colonel, and the conjecture was plausible, for the mail steamer was expected; but just then a ball of smoke swelled into a cloud from the gun on the south point of the bay, where the steamer could be seen. Then, even as a moment later we heard the report, a low, ugly, lead-colored, two-masted war-vessel appeared from the north.

A flash from her bow, and instantly we saw the dust rise from the redoubt on the south point where the gun was located.

The fireman with a yell of terror, "La Donna Maria!" took a flying leap from the engine on the land side.

"La Donna Maria!" echoed the colonel, turning pale. "La Donna Maria!" yelled the other officers in chorus.

"It's sure La Donna Maria," said Scotty, coolly, adding, with reference mair the day."

It was indeed the dreaded Donna Maria, built by popular subscription in the republic, and believed by the lower classes there to be the most formidable vessel afloat.

She paid no further attention to the gun on the point, but steamed straight into the bay. Her commander had seen our train of soldiers. We were in a critical position. It would require fully twenty minutes to take the train the rest of the way to the port station, and, nearly all the way we should be under fire. The Donna Maria dared not shell the town, for if she had attempted it, the foreign war vessels present would immediately have opposed her. A train load of troops was a different matter. She could shoot at them so long as the shells did not endanger anything else.

Boom! went her bow gun again. The shell striking the water a few hundred yards off shore without exploding, skipped up a few feet above the car next behind the engine. That settled the colonel. The business-like shriek of the missle set him wild. Drawing his sword he approached Scotty, and in a volley of commands, threats and entreaties, ordered him to back the train to the summer resort.

Scotty paid no attention to him, but glanced at the steam gauge, which already showed a considerable reduction in pressure, owing to the desertion of the fireman. We had reached the top of the grade, and the remainder of the run would be on level track. Shorty kept the train moving ahead.

Again came a shot from the Donna Maria, and this time the shell exploded over the train, wounding some of the men on the fourth car from the engine.

Once more the colonel stepped up to Scotty, with his sword drawn back for a lunge. He seemed crazy either with fear or with nervousness, and liable to do anything. Quick as a flash the engineer drew a big Colt's revolver, covered the colonel, and said coolly, "Stand awa' ye cowardly cur! Dinna ye ken that anither train is following us, and that if we stop, we're lost? My orders are to go ahead, and I'm gaun to obey orders. Gie a hand, laddie, and stoke the fire a bit," he said to me.

I pulled open the fire-box door, threw in some coal, took the big poker and stirred up the fire.

The colonel seemed impressed either by Scotty's manner or by his pistol, which was still ready cocked in the enginer's hand. Certainly the colonel had some reason to be excited. His men were perfectly helpless on the cars; behind us was a train, on the seaward side the Dona Maria. Our engine, a poor affair at best, was fast losing her steam. The soldiers on the train were wildly excited, furiously angry at Scotty for not stopping and backing, and only prevented from firing into the cab by the fact that their officers were there and in the tender.

Scotty looked back at the yelling troops with calm contempt; many of them were uselessly firing their rifles in the direction of the enemy, more than two and a half miles away. I was doing my best with the fire, and soon saw a gain in the steam gauge.

'Stick to it lad," said Scotty, never taking his eyes off the others. "How's her steam?'

"It reads one hundred and five. It's going up?"

Scotty pulled out the throttle another notch, and our speed began to increase. We had about five miles to go. If the Donna Maria's shells did us no serious damage, we should make it.

Another puff and a roar from her broadside battery! She was now about two and a half miles away, and could use her smaller guns.

Bang! a shell exploded not fifty yards ahead of the engine. Smash! a piece of it struck the copper feed-pipe of the left injector! Instantly the whole side of the engine was in a cloud of steam.

"She's all right, Scotty, it's only the pipe!" I yelled; and Scotty never turned his head. The heroic officers were cowering in the coal space.

Thud! went a shot into the bank on the land side; it had passed but a few feet over the engine. The steam-gauge showed one hundred and twenty pounds. The old engine was teetering up and down like a yawlboat in a short sea.

Then from the bluffs right over our heads came the roar of a field battery. The government artillery was taking a hand. I looked toward the Donna Maria. Water was splashing high between her and the shore. The range was too long for the light battery.

We had yet a mile to safety. The Donna Maria redoubled her efforts; her sides blazed; but the aim of her gunners was poor. Scotty grinned as he pointed toward them. "They're rattled, lad," he said. "They canna hit tha side o' South America tha noo!"

And so it was; the faster they fired, the wider from the mark went their shells.

When we drew into the port station and safety, Scotty, still protected by his pistol, said to me, "Tell them hombres to go, and go quick!"

I translated, and the officers went—and went quickly, too!

Then, as they left, Scotty stepped over to me, and grasping my hand in a vice-like clasp, said, "Aye, lad, but it's a pity ye're in the navy. Ye'd mak' a gran' engine-driver—in time. An,' lad, next time ye're prayin" on yer knees, dinna ye forget to thank God that ye come from a race of men that can keep their wits aboot them in the time o' danger."—Free S. Bowley, in Youth's Companion.

His Secret of Perpetual Health.

One of our middle-aged citizens who surrenders himself entirely to business and looks older than his years, had been curious for some time to learn how one of his neighbors, twenty years his senior, managed to retain his youthfulness of spirits and activity. The old gentleman has a florid face that seems to belie the crown of snow-white hair. His eyes are sparkling, his step is elastic, his form erect and his laugh contagious. When asked for the desired information he blushed like a schoolboy and occasionally stammered in his explanation:

"Of course," he laughed, "I'm regular in my habits, get out of doors a good deal, and try to take things just as philosophically as I can. That is, I won't permit myself to worry. But I wouldn't be telling you the whole truth if I withheld what I regard as the chief secret of my being so well preserved. I have courted my wife ever since I married her, and that was more than forty years ago. I pay her all the little attentions that I ever did when I was trying to win her, and which a woman never ceases to hold dear. I invite her to ride, ask her to go to the theater or whether she would enjoy accompanying me to some social entertainment, and take her out into the country and rave over its beauties, just as we have always done.

"In that way, don't you see, we fail to note the passage of time. She is the same happy girl and I the same attentive lover. If we have a little tiff we act very much as we did when foolish youngsters and make it all up in the same way. Try it. It's the secret of perpetual youth."—Detroit Free Press.

Cologne Drunkards.

Sweet-smelling drunkards can be found nowadays on the little Island of Pemba, near Zanzibar. The principal settlement has suddenly been changed from a dirty, disreputable village into a town fragrant with perfume; and that radical change was brought about solely by the prohibition of alcohol. Since the natives—colored and a mixed population—had become victims of alcohol to such an extent that there were more drunken people to be seen than sober ones, the British resident prohibited the importation of alcoholic beverages to stop the evil. Then the native merchants began to import "eau de cologne" in quantities—of course, not the real article, but liquor of the worst sort, perfumed and packed in cologne bottles. Now the drunkards of Pemba get their wonted fill of alcohol in this disguise, and the worse the drinker the better he smells—Philadelphia Record.

Russia's Exhibit of Birds.

Ornithologists all over the world are much interested in the great exhibition of birds about to be opened at St. Petersburg. It is to be an international exhibition, in that it is the aim to exhibit the birds native to every country of the world. The Czar has placed himself at its head, the Russian Government will assist it with money and influence, and the European and other governments which were invited to take a part in the project have replied favorably. The exhibition has now assumed such gigantic proportions that it has been found necessary to postpone it from the summer of this year to the summer of next year, to allow as many regions as possible on the earth to be represented.—New York Tribune.

American Newspapers.

In the year 1709 there was only one newspaper in the United States. Now there are more than in England, France and Germany put together.

A fad in London just at this season is a black satin jacket, elaborately strapped and stitched and worn with a black and white checked skirt.

Artificial limbs have been constructed in Germany in such a way that those who are obliged to use them can ride bicycles.

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Bad Roads and Feuds.

Hayden Brock, a young mountaineer, who lives in Laurel County, Kentucky, and has been a student at the State College in Lexington for three years, was asked recently what, in his opinion, caused mountain feuds. He hesitated before answering, but he finally said:

"Bad roads. You see, our roads are so bad that a four-horse team can haul only 2500 pounds of goods from London to Manchester. This can be done only during the summer and fall months. In the winter and spring it is impossible to haul empty wagons over this road, and the mail has to be carried on pack mules. We are therefore shut off from the world during at least five months in the year, and when we do have communication, it is so slow and costly that many of our people have never seen a railroad train, and know nothing about cities. These bad roads prevent our children from going to school during the winter months and the result is that we have a great deal of illiteracy. The mails are few and necessarily slow, so that we are entirely out of touch with the world and all that is going on in it. Freights are also very high. It costs thirty-five cents a hundred pounds to haul freight from London to Manchester, and to Hyden, the county seat of Letcher County, it costs seventy-five cents a hundred.

"Owing to the poor roads, very little work can be done in the winter, and the enforced idleness breeds ignorance and crime. Many of our people spend their dreary winter days and nights in making and drinking moonshine whiskey, and this often results in shootings and killings, and often starts feuds. If we had better roads we would have more and better schools, there would be fewer illiterates, and our people would have something else to think about besides shooting and killing. We have many bright young people in the mountains, but they have no opportunities and the bad roads keep them at home, so they usually drift into feuds and often become outlaws. Bad roads are the bane of the mountains and they cause all the feuds."

The Rev. J. J. Dicke, a Methodist minister, who has been working among the mountain people, of Kentucky, for fifteen or twenty years, and who has studied their character closely, thinks the only hope of the people in the mountain part of the State lies in more education and better roads. It has been suggested to use the convicts in building highways through the mountains, instead of allowing them to remain in the penitentiaries engaged in pursuits which keep thousands of workmen who are not criminals from having employment. Putting the convicts to work on the roads of the mountains would present a curious spectacle.

As there seem to be so many different opinions as to the causes of the feuds in Kentucky, it is to be inferred that they are the result of various causes, which the persons interviewed have clearly pointed out. A concerted effort will be made at the next session of the Kentucky Legislature to have roads built through the mountains by the convicts.

It is believed that good roads and good schools will relegate the "forty-five" to the rear.—New York Sun.

The Movement in Canada.

Good-road making and the wide agitation therefor in the United States have attained sufficient importance to serve as a stimulus, or at least as a good example, across the northern boundary. The road inspector of the province of Ontario dwells in his report on the progress of the reform here in an endeavor to arouse interest there. That interest is lacking is evident from the detailed reports from existing conditions. Summarizing these, the inspector says: "A century ago the roads of Ontario such as existed, and they were very few, were mere trails. To-day, notwithstanding the amount of money and labor placed on them, the majority are a little better than trails. This criticism may seem overdrawn to those who drive over some of the best gravel roads during the summer season, but if the journey had to be made in the fall or spring, the rainy seasons, its fairness would become more apparent. From the middle of October until the end of December, and from the first of March to the middle of May, a period of five months, by far the greatest part of the mileage of the province is mud, ruts and pitch-holes. This may vary somewhat at the more northerly and more southerly parts of the province, but it is the general rule of the average year. Of this period of five months there are at least two months of the year when the roads are practically impassable for loads. From the middle of November until the middle of December, from the middle of March until the middle of April the agricultural trade of the country is practically cut off. For the remaining three months of the five the roads are barely passable." The estimated loss to the province by the absence of good roads the inspector estimates at $651,576,000, capitalized at three per cent.—New York Post.

Will Help to Reduce Taxes.

The wide-tire measure passed by the New Jersey legislature was due, says Assemblyman Grispin, its originator, to "its inestimable value to the taxpayers who were constantly being called upon for increased appropriations for road improvements, by both the farmers and bicyclists, which call would be unnecessary if the broad tire was adopted, as it would be of a two-fold service; first, in making the roads hard and smooth; second, in doing away with the complaint from bicyclists that the heavily loaded farm wagons cut the road to pieces—besides lessening the annual appropriation for the roads about fifty per cent."—L. A, W. Bulletin.

Notes.

It is suggested that the Government put wide tires on the army wagons.

Street pavements need to be something more than hard and durable. They should be smooth, noiseless and easily cleaned and repaired.

Water should not be allowed to stand along the roadside. Ditches should be kept clear and open in order to carry it off quickly, as it is liable otherwise to find its way under the roadbed.

Steel tracks are claimed to make the most perfect surface known; after it comes crushed stone, on which five times the power is required to haul a load; then gravel, requiring ten times the power; and, finally, common earth, requiring twenty times.

Deer Hunting With Eagles.

The berkute or bearcoote, the golden eagle, is trained and used by the natives of Tartary and the Kirghis steppes for hunting foxes, wolves, boars and deer. Mr. Harting quotes this description from Atkinson: "We had not gone far when several large deer rushed past a jutting point of the rocks and bounded over the plain about 300 yards from us. In an instant the bearcoote was unhooded and his shackles removed, when he sprang from his perch and soared into the air. I watched him ascend as he wheeled round, and was under the impression that he had not seen the animals; but in this I was mistaken. He had now risen to a considerable height and seemed to poise himself for a minute.

"After this he gave two or three flaps with his wings and swooped o in a straight line toward his prey. I could not perceive that his wings moved, but he went at a fearful rate of speed. I gave my horse his head and a touch of the whip; in a few minutes he carried me to the front, and I was riding neck and neck with one of the keepers. When we were about 200 yards off the bearcoote struck his prey. The bearcoote had struck one talon into his neck, the other into his back, and with his beak was tearing into the animal's liver."—Forest and Stream.

AFRAID OF INDIANS.

Terror Vanished When the Red Men Began to Sing a Hymn.

About sixty-five years ago, says a writer in the Montreal Witness, two youths came from Scotland, and struck out for the wilderness of Oxford County, in what was then Upper Canada. They had heard that Indians might be found in the region, and they kept a sharp and somewhat fearful watch. Nearing their destination, they encamped one chilly night by the side of a stream. While they were getting their lunch, hovering over the fire, they were overwhelmed with astonishment and fear by seeing a small band of Indians suddenly arrive.

As it was too late to try to escape, and as the Indians were too many to fight, the young fellows decided to parley with the savages; but their "parleying" was rendered of no effect by the fact that while the Indians spoke not a word of English the Scotch boys were totally ignorant of the sign language in which the Indians tried to converse.

But presently the savages made a gesture which the boys understood. It was a beckoning sign and plainly meant come along.

"Well," said one of the boys to the other, "it is evident that we have got to die, and we may as well die at their camp as here."

"In any event we will die like men," said the other.

"We will."

So they started along, following the Indians, or rather followed by them. Soon they reached a large Indian lodge which they entered. The Indians beckoned to them to sit down in front of a large fire in the center of the lodge, which was directly beneath a hole in the roof that served for chimney, window and ventilator.

The Indians offered them food, but appetite had been scared out of them. The Indians ate and then got out hatchets and knives.

"Our time has come," said one of the boys.

"So it seems," said the other, "but let us sell our lives dearly."

However instead of falling upon them with the weapons, the Indians procured a lot of strips of ashwood and went to work making baskets, stripping, measuring, splitting and bending the wood. The boys were a little reassured and yet they agreed that probably the savages would pretend to fall asleep and would murder them in the night. They resolved that but one of them should lie down, while the other would sit up and watch, each taking his turn.

After the Indians had worked at basket making for some time, one of them, who seemed to be a sort of chief, suddenly gave a yell that froze the blood in both boys' veins. The Indians threw down their implements and formed in a circle about the fire, and the white boys. The terrible ceremony of death was about to begin.

Then the chief Indian sounded a note with his voice, and all the Indians began to sing. But what was it that they were singing? The Scotch boys, piously reared, knew the tune well; it was the one to which they were accustomed to sing the words:

How pleased and blest was I
To hear the people cry,
"Come, let us seek our God to-day."

The boys looked at each other in astonishment, and when the Indians had sung this song—in their own language, of course—they sung a greater and more thrilling one, "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me."

The fears of the boys were gone. In their own tongue, they joined in the song with more unction, no doubt, than they had ever before known in singing it; and when the Indians had finished their devotions, for it was with a devotional purpose that they had sung, the boys lay down to sleep and slept soundly in the warmth of the fire.

The tribe was one which had been visited by missionaries, and the men had no other purpose than one of grateful hospitality in bringing these wandering white youths to their lodge.

The next morning they ate with gusto to the food which their hosts offered them, and expressing their thanks as best they could, went their way.

THE GUNS OF THE LADRONES.

Old Cannon to be Found in the Islands of the South Pacific.

A cannon being too big to be mislaid, it is generally known what becomes of old guns. The smoothbores of the civil war are known to have been used up in soldiers' monuments and G. A. R. emblems. Condemned cannon of an earlier period now keep the peace in many coastwise towns, buried at street corners to the trunnions and presenting upward either the cascabel or the muzzle blocked with an old cannon ball shrunk in. The old forts and the military museums account for a few more. But these uses cannot account for all the big guns of the past, and the melting pot is supposed to have received the rest of this metal of war.

Much of the antique ordnance has been melted down into the pots and pans of peace, but there are very many thousands of ancient cannon scattered all over the Pacific and the East Indies. It causes the experienced island no more surprise to find ancient founders' names on the guns lying in the grass of savage towns than the trader in Africa feels at discovering still in use the muskets that served their turn in the wars of Marlborough. Some of these guns were mounted and emplaced by exploring expeditions of old, when new-found territory was calmly taken by the first comer. Such are the guns at Nukahiva and Hiva-oa which tell the tale of the time when Americans annexed the Marquesas and built up a navy in the Pacific to defend them. Such, too, are the guns at San Juan of the Ladrones, which the Manila expedition has just seized. While none of the batteries at San Juan is modern or efficient, one is conspicuously inefficient. This is a bastion so placed as to protect the old careening beach on which the galleons were hove down to make ready for the long voyage to Acapulco. These guns, richly decorated and piously dedicated, date back to the time when the whole Pacific was a Spanish lake closed to all adventurers, but the stately march of the plate galleons between Manila and Mexico. Some of the guns in this bastion are old enough to have seen service when Drake pried open the rich Pacific.

Others of these guns are pirates' loot from armed merchantmen. Of such acquisition are the many guns in the beach towns of Mindoro and Mindanao and other southern Philippines, where piracy was relinquished only when its profits vanished as the gunboats patrolled the straits. But the biggest trade in old cannon used to be carried on in the South Seas. Every whaler carried a supply as ballast bound out, and each gun was a thing of value at the islands. For a cannon and one keg of powder any savage chief was glad to equip the whaler with all the kanakas needed for boats' crews. Each chief was anxious to make a show of ordnance, and could not have too many cannon. The guns were seldom mounted; if fired at all they were loaded just as they lay haphazard on the ground, and the one object was to make a noise. The guns are still there on the islands, but the civilized races have put a taboo on powder, and it is long since the South Sea Islanders have heard the sound of their neglected artillery.

The Bravest Are the Tenderest.

That the "bravest are the tenderest" was once more demonstrated in the fight at Santiago Bay. Captain Philip of the Texas made a dash for the Spanish ships the moment they put their noses out of the harbor. When the yellow and red flag was pulled down on the Almirante Oquendo, the commander of the Texas gave the order to his men: "Don't cheer, because the poor devils are dying." The direction was as chivalrous as it was characteristic.—New York Sun.

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The news columns are alway open to discussions of interest to it patrons, if you have anything of interest send it in we will gladly publish it for you.

Nearly every farmer in the valley will have a surplus of corn.

Montevallo will receive more cotton this year than she ever has before.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich will be retired to private life after the election.

The majority of the Alabama boys want to be mustered out but the offiicers are trying to coerce them from expressing theis opinion.

A papper is a good index to any town, where you find a dead paper you will find a dead town, and sleepy merchants.

Hon. Gaston A. Robbins, got the nomination for congress from this district. His election is assured, but to make his majority so large that a fusions will never run again, will take work, do your duty.

while the college is having water-works built we would like to see them large enough to supply the town.

A large majority of the thinking voters of all parties are in favor of a contitutional convention.

The Cemetary

We have called our readers attention to the condition of the cemetary several times although it could be worse we dont believe that the citizens will allow it to get in any worse condition. We would ask you to make a visit out there and then tell us what you think.

Teachers Iustitute

Program of Teachers Institute to be held at Columbiana Sept. 23rd and 24th 1898. Opening exercises conducted by Rev. W. I. Sinnott, at 9:30 a. m. Sept. 23rd

1st Song.
2nd Welcome address Hon. W. B. Brown.
3rd Response. Prof- J. L. Ruffin.
Music.
4th Enrollment of Teachers.
5th How should we train pupils in habits of self control J. C. Burgner. W. H, Bird.
6th Teaching primary Arithmetic. Miss Lou Ella Lyon.
7th Teaching Fraction. L. Booth Riddle.
8th Teaching Percentage. P. Wr Acton.
9th Are lady teachers better for the primary grades than gentlemen, General discussion by the Institute.
10th The evil effects of quarreling and complaining by the teachers. Miss Ophelia Galloway and M. E. Pelham,
11th Teaching language lessons. Prof. W. B. Greek.
12th Teaching Grammar. S. P. Williamson.
13th Teaching reading first, second and third grades. Miss Georgia Cromwell. H. M. Abercrombie
14th Teaching reading fourth & fifth grades. Miss Nannie Fulton. H. A. McKinnon.
Music.

Seccond Day Saturday September 24th at 9 a. m.

1st Song and prayer.
2nd Teaching Politeness and good manners. Miss Minnie Kidd.
3rd Teaching Punctuality truthfulness and honesty. Prof. C. H. Florey.
4th Ccrporal punishment in School.
5th Question Box conducted by Prof. F. Mynatt.
6th Address on Institute work John H. Mooney.
7th What are the ends of Education? Miss Lucy Smith,
8th Five minutes talks by the Teachers.

Eugene Williams,
Supt. of Education.

Aldrich Items.

No sickuess of a serious nature iu town.

Quite a number of children and adults have sore eyes. Thompson's Eye water is the cure.

Messrs Henry Farrar, John Kelley, Jim Wilcox, and Lewis Farrar of Blocton were in town on Friday last, they came over to assist at the burial of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Farrar, they returned to Blocton on the evening train. Mrs. Farrar remained with her mother Mrs. Ambrose, for a few days.

The editor of the News was in town on Saturday afternoon, his visits like Angles are few and far between.

Mr. Whitten a M. E. minister of Blocton, was in town for a hours on Friday last, he came over with the funeral party.

The mines are running regular and everybody is cheerful.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich and wife are expected to reach home about Fribay next.

On Sunday night Rev. P. L. Abernather preached a mosi enstering sermon the congregation was small but attentive.

The excursion that passed through this place Sunday consisted of nine coaches it was crowded to such an extent that numbers refused to go from this place as there was no room them, only one coach of whites the rest was negroes.

Sam Slick.

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Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.
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Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.
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LOCAL.

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Mr. S. S Dill, left Saturday for Birmingham.

FOR SALE.—A good typewriter Apply at the News office.

Miss Pattie Nelson, will go to Gadson to morrow to visit her Uncle.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandergrift.

Mr. Ham, came yesterday, he will open the St. George at once.

☞When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Misses Renna and Nellie Ozley are spending this week at Spring Creek

Try a bottle of V.V. V. for that tired feeling. F. F. Crowe & Co. keep it.

Mr. G. C. Alexander, of Spring Creek, was in town Monday.

Don't forget that Morgan Bros. are the people who advertise.

Dr. Trammell, of Gurnee, was in town Wednesday.

White Mustard seed at McCluney & Co.

The News is sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Will Lawrence. We wish him aspeedy recovery.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

A full line of spices at McCluney & Co.

H. C. & W. B. Reynolds will move in their new store at once, the shelves are being put up now.

Caraway seed at McCluney & Co.

Morgan bought the first bale of cotton of the season form I. T. Self. for five & nine sixteenth Morgan is always first.

Celery seed at McCluney & Co.

Mr. Jim West, was carried back to Tuscaloosa, Tuesday. His many friends hope's that he will make a speedy recovery.

All the popular magazines periodicals and news at McCluney & Co.

Prof. J. M. Collier President of the Brierfield Normal College, visited our santum yesterday, he says the prospects are good for the School.

News stand opened at W. B. McCluney & Co.

Rev. T. J. Beard, D. D., will conduct service, according to appontment at the Episcopal Church, next Wednesday night.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

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Several of our young men will go to college this fall. Messrs. Abb Fancher and John Adams go to Marion. Messrs Henry Latham and Henry Fanchar, go to Howard

A fellow from Belle Ellen, say he want come here any more because one of our stable's sent him yallar buggy, harness and horse to take his girl to meeting. Go slow livery—man?

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Prestdent H. C. Reynold and bride are at home.

The Brierfield Normal College, will open Monday, you are invited to be present.

Miss Nona Wells has returned home, from two month visit.

The miners are out on a strike at Cary mines.

Some evil person tried to ruin our press last week.

Ladies———Please
Wait and see our line of dress we have best. Suitable triming to match. Morgan Bros.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Thier will be a grand rally of the league at Aldrich Friday evening at 8 o'clock, all are cordially invited to attend.

They have stolen the editors scissors
They have tried to muzzle the press
But somebody give us a barlow knife
And the paper comes out, I guess!

NOTICE.

I would like to swap or sell 80 acres of land for 20 acres of land with a good house on it. Said land is four miles from Montevallo, in a good neighborhood, and near two churches. There are 35 acres cleared and 45 in timber, all lying level. There is lasting water on the place. Within one-half mile of Dogwood station. For further particulars, apply at the New office, or address J. A. Roebuck, Montevallo, Ala.

A HINT

To Our New Judge.

In the north western part of a certain county lives a well known Irish magistrate, a man of liberal education and a full quota of Irish wit. A short time ago, Jim and Bet, a colored pair, called upon the 'squire to be united for the bettar or for worse. Having been notified of their coming, the 'squire prepared and actually used the following ceremony.

Jim will you take Bet,
Without any regret,
To love and cherish,
Till one of you perish,
And laid under the sod,
So help you God!

Being answered in the affirmative by Jim the ,squire turned to Bet and said:

Bet will you take Jim,
And cling to him,
Both out and in,
Through thick and thin,
Holding him to your heart,
Till death do you part?

Bet ocquiesced by a modest bow of the head, and the happy pair were dismissed in following words:

Through lifes alternate joy and strife,
I now pronounce you man and wife;
Co up lifes road till you get to the level,
And salute your bride you ugly black devil!

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This Settles It.

"Dewey Merritt the Philippines?"
"I rather guess we do.
The Luzon player pays the score.
We'll take those islands, too.

The Enormous Gold Product of 1898.

This will be the greatest gold year in history. From South Africa, the Klondike and Australia the precious metal is being shipped in large quantities. It is believed that this year's output will be nearly double that of any previous twelve months. The sales of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters are also increasing very fast, and this year that famous remedy will cure more people of dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation, nervousness and weakness than ever before.

A Teplitz woman of 99 has committed suicide because she did not want to live 100 years.

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The Origin of Blue Blood.

After the Moors were driven out of Spain the aristocracy of Spain was held to consist of those who traced their lineage back to the time before the Moorish conquest. These people were whiter than those who had been mixed with Moorish blood. The veins upon their hands were blue, while the blood of the masses, contaminated by the Moorish infusion, showed black upon their hands and faces. So the white Spaniards came to declare that their blood was "blue," while that of the common people was black. The phrase passed to France, where it had no such significance, and thence came to England and America. It is now used arbitrarily to designate old aristocracy or families proud of their ancestry.—New York Tribune.

In Illinois during the past year 118 coal mines were abandoned and 79 mines opened.

COULD NOT SLEEP.

Mrs. Pinkham Relieved Her of All Her Troubles.

Mrs. MADGE BABCOCK, 176 Second St., Grand Rapids, Mich., had ovarian trouble with its attendant aches and pains, now she is well. Here are her own words:

"Your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new person. Before I began taking it I was all run down, felt tired and sleepy most of the time, had pains in my back and side, and such terrible headaches all the time, and could not sleep well nights. I also had ovarian trouble. Through the advice of a friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and since taking it all troubles have gone. My monthly sickness used to be so painful, but have not had the slightest pain since taking your medicine. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too much. My husband and friends see such a change in me. I look so much better and have some color in my face."

Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

WIT AND HUMOR.

Up-to-Date Jokes and Witticisms From the Comic Papers.

AN ARCTIC EXPLORER.

I am a man of iron will
And perfect fearlessness;
I set out boldly toward my goal,
Resolved to win success.
That goal which no man yet has reached
Of all who dared to start,
The coldest spot in all the earth—
I mean Clorinda's heart.

All schemes that mortal could devise
I summoned to my aid;
For years, o'er every obstacle
I triumphed undismayed.
But, though right manfully and well
I strove to do my part,
The ice I found impassable
Around Clorinda's heart.

A NAPOLEON OF FINANCE.

"I don't see what you accomplish by borrowing money from Jones to pay what you owe Brown."

"Well, you are stupid; in about a month I can borrow from Brown again and pay Jones."

A SAGE SUGGESTION.

Early Ryser—Why don't you leave the matchsafe in one place two consecutive times? Every morning I waste five minutes groping for it.

Mrs. Ryser (sleepily from under the bed-clothes)—How do you expect to find anything in the dark? Why don't you strike a light?

RECOMPENSE.

"I deceived you about one thing," murmured the new wife to her husband, "I am older than I told you."

"Don't mention it, my angel. I find that your fortune is fully twice as large as I had supposed."

A BUSY MAN.

"I've been busy all mornin'," remarked Meandering Mike, as Wandering William came up.

"You've been busy, have you?" was the incredulous reply. "What doin' ?"

"Restin'."

THERE ARE EXCEPTIONS.

Billings—A man never learns to really know his wife until after they are married, no matter how long they may have been engaged.

Darrow—You're wrong there. Sometimes the girls have little brothers.

A DIAGNOSIS.

The scorcher who thinks of nothing but his bicycle caught a cold which left him with a very sore throat. He decided to see a physician.

"Well," said the doctor, cheerily, "what seems to be the matter?"

"I can't say exactly," was the reply in a heavy whisper. "But it feels and sounds as if I had a puncture in my inner tube."

RETROGRESSIVE RECKONINGS.

Miss Gambrel—Isn't it funny? Lucy and I are always forgetting our ages.

Visitor—You ought to put them down.

Miss Gambrel (absent-mindedly)—Yes; we did cut them down several times, and probably that's the reason we forget them.

HOW MARY REMEMBERED.

Miss Belle—Mary, remember I am at home to none except Mr. Vere Brownskins this afternoon.

Mary (half an hour later)—I've told four gentlemen callers that you're at home to none except Mr. Vere Brownskins, and they all went away very angry, indeed, miss.

HIS FIRST SCORE.

Magistrate—"You have not been convicted before?"

Prisoner—"No, sir."

Magistrate—"Then you are going to be."

(Proceeds to adjust his spectacles.)

A NICE DISTINCTION.

Wife (reading letter)—Who do you think is coming to pay us a visit?

Husband—Who?

Wife—My mother.

Husband—That will be a visitation.

THE DIFFERENCE.

Mother—What is the matter, Clara? You look distressed.

Clara (a bride)—George has—has had to go off on a trip, and he won't be back for—for two days—boo-hoo!

Same Mother (some years later)—How long will your husband be away?

Same Clara—I forgot to ask.

LIVED TO GRUMBLE.

The deaf man got out of the tram car on to the other line of rails. "Look out! There's a car coming!" said the conductor.

"What?" said the deaf man.

"There's a car coming."

"What?"

The car caught and knocked down the deaf man, and as he picked himself up he said:

"I wonder what that fool kept me there talking about."

THE FIRST SNAP.

"I can see no reason," said the serious-minded boarder, "for your assumption that Adam was a politician."

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A HARASSING SERIAL STORY.

Louise.—I've fixed Kitty so she will answer my letter at once.

Belle.—What did you do?

Louise.—I wrote her a lot of gossip and forgot to send the middle pages

HORSELESS.

Hicks: Talking about horseless carriages, we've got one up at our place.

Wicks: That so? Say, I should like to have a ride in it.

Hicks: You can.

Wicks: All right. I'll come up this afternoon.

Hicks: Not to-day. You'll have to wait, you know, till we have bought a horse.

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Brimble—What kind of a doctor is Sizumep, anyway? Why, he didn't even feel of my pulse.

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MISTAKES OF AN AMATEUR DIPLOMAT.

"If I were a single man," said Willikins, "I'd go to war in a minute."

"Am I to understand, then," Mrs. Willikins angrily retorted, "that you are sorry you married me?"

"Not at all," he answered, thinking to pacify her. "I'm glad I married you. Otherwise I wouldn't have any excuse for remaining at home."

"George Willikins," she exclaimed, "if I am to be regarded as simply an excuse for keeping you out of danger, the sooner you shoulder a musket and go the better it will be for both of us."

Brothers Meet in the Army.

Sergeant Reuther of the Reading Artillerists, writes from Chickamauga to a friend in Reading, Penn., as follows:

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What Two Flags Represent.

England's national flag has been called "a triplet of crosses," for it is composed of the cross of St. George, the cross of St. Andrew, and the cross of St. Patrick. Thus: The flag of "St. George for merrie England," a red cross on a white ground, the red lines drawn straight from top to bottom, and from side to side; the flag of St. Andrew for Scotland, a white cross on a blue ground; the flag of St. Patrick for Ireland, a red cross on a white ground, the narrow red lines drawn from corner to corner. By placing the cross of St. George on that of St. Andrew we have "the Jack," as ordered in 1606 by James I, whose signature was always "Jacques;" hence the expression, "the Jack." By laying the cross of St. Patrick over that of St. Andrew and then placing that of St. George over both, we have "the Union Jack," as borne since the union with Ireland in 1800. An eloquent Canadian writer finds that the American flag and the English flag wave together with singular beauty and harmony, "the one proclaiming the starry heavens, symbolical of God's infinite power—the other emblematic of his greatest work, the redemption of mankind.

The Origin of Blue Blood.

After the Moors were driven out of Spain the aristocracy of Spain was held to consist of those who traced their lineage back to the time before the Moorish conquest. These people were whiter than those who had been mixed with Moorish blood. The veins upon their hands were blue, while the blood of the masses, contaminated by the Moorish infusion, showed black upon their hands and faces. So the white Spaniards came to declare that their blood was "blue," while that of the common people was black. The phrase passed to France, where it had no such significance, and thence came to England and America. It is now used arbitrarily to designate old aristocracy or families proud of their ancestry.—New York Tribune.

A Folding Megaphone.

The megaphone has come into almost universal use at athletic and aquatic races and contests because it enables the judges and other officers to make announcements that can be heard all over the field. Its adoption has been somewhat hampered by the size of the instrument, which is too bulky to be conveniently transported, but this has been overcome by making them collapsible like the drinking cup made for travellers and picnickers. The folding megaphone is made in sections, one filtering in the other, and when not in use the horn collapses into a package about the size of a hat box.

There was a striking clock in Westminster Abbey in 1638.

The Bravest Are the Tenderest.

That the "bravest are the tenderest" was once more demonstrated in the fight at Santiago Bay. Captain Philip of the Texas made a dash for the Spanish ships the moment they put their noses out of the harbor. When the yellow and red flag was pulled down on the Almirante Oquendo, the commander of the Texas gave the order to his men: "Don't cheer, because the poor devils are dying." The direction was as chivalrous as it was characteristic.—New York Sun.

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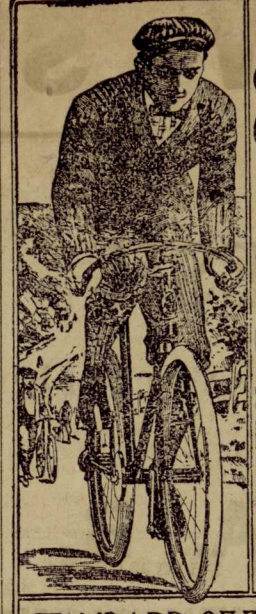

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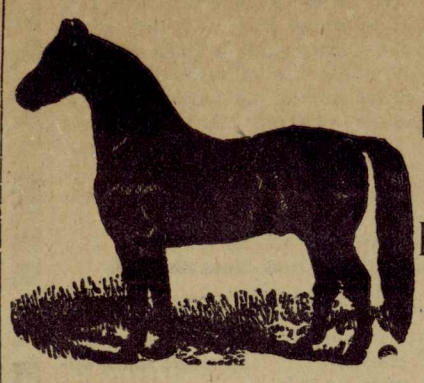

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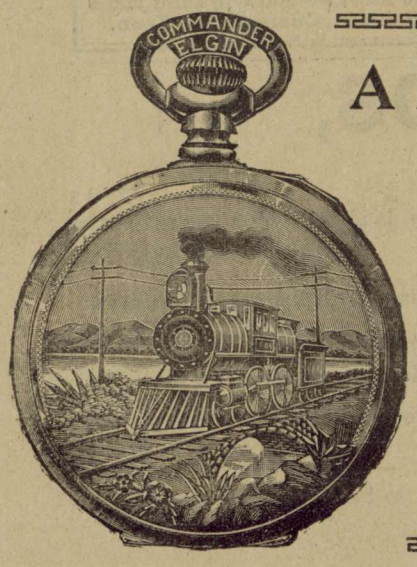

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Write it on the schoolboys slate,
Write it on the copybook,
That the young may often look,
"Where there's drink there's danger"

Write it on the churchyard mound,
Where the rum-slain dead are found
Write it on the gallows high,
Write it for all the passers-by,
"Where there's drink there's danger."

Write in the nation's laws,
Blotting out the license clause;
Write it on each ballot white,
So it can be read aright,
"Where there's drink, there's danger"

Write it on our ships that sail,
Borne aloung by storm and gale;
Write it large in letters plain,
Over every land and main,
"Where there's drink, there's danger"

Write it over every gate
On the church and halls of state,
In the hearts of every band,
On the laws of every land,
"Where there's drink there's danger"

Miss Frances E. Willard.

Philippine Possibilities.

The possibilities of the Philippine islands under proper management is a subject of interesting and timely speculation, particularly on the part of those who believe that the easiest way ont of our present difficulties is the retention of the island.

That Spain has always failed in colonial management is of course, notorious. The worlds history seemes to bear out the contention that how ever brave, however brain however brilliant the Latins may be they lack the excutive ability requisite to the management and proper development of colonial possession. This is certainly true of the Spanish; the Italians and the French have done little better. While Porto Rico shows less evidence of Spanish mismanagement and misrule, Cuba and the Philippines, not to mention the long list of colonies which have gone from her before this, rise to demonstrate the truth of all that has been said of Spsnish lack of executive ability.

The English have demonstrated that the Anglo-Saxon does possess this ability. Their splendid success as colonizers, in the modern acceptation of the term has led the world to believe that they alone possess that ability. We believe that the Americans is just as able to carry through what he may undertake in this line or in any other as his English brother, but whether the possessiou of colonies is for the better or for the worse is another question.

There are, however, other colonizers besides the English—other highly successful colonizers. The New York Sun calls attention to this fact in its oomparison of the present condition of the Philippines with that of their next door neighbor, Java which belongs to Holland. In answering its question, Why should not the Philippine islands be as prosperous as their great sister island Java? The Sun says:

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"Java has no natural advantage that is lacking in the Philippine. In point of climate the Philippine are more favorably situated, for they are from five to twelve degrees futher from the equator. It is well known that Europeans have been more easily acclimated in the Philippines than in Java. In all their Malayan possession the Dutch have never numbered more than 50,000 to 60,000 souls. The Spaniards have lived in greater safety in the climate of their more northern islands; and yet the Philippine group for the most part, is still a wilderness, with a comparatively scant population, like that of most wholly uncivilized lands, while Java is called the Pearl of the East and is the best cultivated and most densely peopled island in the world."

The reason for this The Sun believes is that the Dutch have the genius for colonization, while the Spauish not. The Spanish idea of profiting by the Philippiue has been to exact onerous customs duties at a few large ports and to grind down the native population by placing upon them the hesvist taxes that Spanish ingenuity could conceive. On the other hand, the Dutch have profited by developing all the resources of the island under their control, turning every acre to the best possible account. The picture The Suu draws of the contrast is interesting.

The philipbine have more than twice the area of Java, and are naturally just as rich as the Dutch island. But what a contrast between them! Iu Java schools are supported by the government for the education of the natives, while in the Philippines it has been practically a crime for a native to acquire an education. In the Philippines no rail or wagon roads have been constructed except in the environs of Manila, while Java gridironed with good country road and its railroads would extend fron New York half way to San Francisco. There being no means of transportation in the Philippines it has been impossible to develop agriculture, mining, and other industries except in the neighborhood of the sea. The result is that the greater part of their land is still a virgin wilderness, while Java, from end to end is one great garden with its thousands of rice, sugarcane and tobacco fields in the lowlands, it its coffee trees at the middle heights and tea plantation above them. In Java no distinctiou is made between trade with the Netherlands and foreign countries while it was the policy of Spain to keep the philippines solely as as a Spanish preserve until pressure she could not resist compelled her to open the ports one by one, to foreign trade.

The advices received from our men sent down there seemed to indicate that much that has been said against the climatic condition has been over stated, for they do not seem to be even so bad as at Porto Rico. There are many other evidences to bear out the contentson of the annexationists that to furnish proper government for the island, to give them adequate protection and to develop them into a garden of wealth like Java would not be an altogether difficult undertaking.

That the Philippines have never been given such treatment as would develop their wealth, is evident. The Sun thinks:

The 8,000,000 Filipinos have never had a chance to reach Java's stage of development. Their opportunity is only just beginning to appear. With humane and good government and practical business sense in the conduct of its affairs, the archipelago will uedergo, in the next twenty years, a transformation such as no Oriental country except Japan has ever seen in so short atime.

Perhaps this is true. If so has this nation, having taken those people from under the Spsnish yoke, the moral right to cast them again into the darkness and hopeleness that Spanish rule entails?

It is an interesting problem.

A stubborn cough or tickling in the throat yields to One Minute Cough Cure. Harmless in effect, touches the right spot, reliable and just what is wanted. It acts at once. F. F. Crowe & Co.

IN THE LANE.

By Victor Grey.

Through the lane the setting sunlight
Falls in misty, golden showers,
Tinting with its shimmering lances
All the little, nodding flowers,
Shining 'mid the emerald foliage,
Where the birdies, blithely singing,
Fill the woodlands all about us
With a sweet and joyous ringing.

Don't you love this lane, my darling?
When I think of those sweet hours
We have spent within its cloisters,
'Neath its trees and 'mid its flowers,
Every blade of grass grows dearer—
Every tiny fragrant flower
Seems to bring, in swift succession,
Memories of some happy hour.

Here it was we met, my darling,
On that blissful, sunlit morning,
When the woodland's robe of emerald,
Fringed with summer's fair adorning,
Gleamed with shimmering diamond dewdrops,
And the birds were blithely trilling
Happy lays—sweet morning carols—
All the woods with rapture thrilling.

Here, within its dusky shadows,
Sauntering down the lane together,
Love around us cast his fetters—
Fetters that would bind forever.
Here it was I told my story,
And, my happy answer guessing,
Held you in my arms a moment,
Sweet, red lips the while caressing.

There we had our lovers' quarrel,
'Mid those clumps of fragrant clover;
Here it was we grew repentant—
Begged forgiveness o'er and o'er;
Then I kissed your cheeks' soft roses,
And your eyes with teardrops shining,
Not content until your ringlets
On my heart were safe reclining.

Yes, I love this lane, my darling,
With its fringe of wildwood flowers—
Love it for the joy that crowned me
In those happy, happy hours;
For, though years since then have vanished—
Youth's fair bloom is ours no longer—
Still our hearts as one are beating,
And our love each day grows stronger.

A Terrible Moment.

Yes, terrible—that is just what it was. I shall never forget it, even should I live to one of those wondrous ages at times recorded in the papers. Moreover, it was not a thing for a man to forget. Many events may slip from our mind, but never that moment when we stand on the brink of the grave, brought thither by the probability of an awful death.

It happened in this way. I had been in Australia for about five years, during which time I had amassed a tolerable fortune, when I began to long to see the old country again—a desire considerably strengthened by the fact that the girl I loved, and who had consented to be my wife, was going to England, and I could not bear the thought of such an extent of ocean between us; so I determined to go too, and let our marriage take place there.

May Brodstone was the only daughter of a well-to-do squatter, and the prettiest, nicest girl for miles round the station, though, until I had become acquainted with her, rather fond of a bit of girlish flirtation. This was the worse for me, as it turned out.

Among her many admirers was one Jacob Kiel. Dark-haired, dark-eyed, dark-complexioned, he was of that class of men who feel strongly, and who never forget an injury—like wild cats, they are nasty customers to offend. Well, May, I fear, had flirted somewhat with Jacob Kiel, who, I really believe, loved the very ground she walked on, though she declared—and I knew it was true—that she had never given him the slightest hope.

It was about this time that I appeared upon the scene; and she discovered that she had found the right man, as I had found the right girl. May Brodstone instantly gave up all her admirers, was as steady and quiet as a gun-tree when no wind blows, and finally said the "Yes" upon which my happiness depended.

Old Mr. Brodstone knew that the match would be a good one, and readily gave his consent, so that our engagement was soon made public. I was present when the news reached Jacob Kiel. I shall never forget his face. His lips were compressed, his dark eyes contracted; he looked from May to me, and I felt if he could he would do much mischief. Without a syllable he quitted the place. A strange sensation ran through me as he departed; and May told me that a cold shudder had run through her veins.

We did not see much of Kiel after this, though we knew he was often about the station on business; but the man somehow threw a kind of shadow over May's and my happiness, and we were not at all sorry when we got on board the steamer and steamed off towards Old England. We had not, however, got cleverly out of sight of land when May, giving a little cry, put her had on my arm, and, slightly nodding her head towards the lower deck, said,—

"Oh, Edward, look—he is here too!"

And so he was. Leaning quietly over the side, watching the land apparently, was Jacob Kiel—a passenger for England, like ourselves. I will own that I was considerably annoyed, though when May, drawing neaner, exclaimed, in a low, startled voice, "Edward dear, I don't know how it is, but I dread that man—I cannot divest my mind of the thought that he means us harm," I laughed, and tried to banish so absurd an idea. And certainly it appeared I had every right to do so. Save by a casual interchange of a few words, Kiel never troubled us; and we were making a capital journey, when, just as we were within twenty degrees of the line, we were struck by a hurricane which the captain declared was almost a cyclone in violence.

The vessel could not weather it. The masts crashed overboard, taking several of the crew with them, and, before the wreck could be cut adrift, a portion of the broken spars, dashing against the ship, had caused a leak below the water-line, and the cry was,—

"We are sinking! Lower the boats—the pumps are useless!"

The captain was marvellously firm and cool, and by his example made us all the same.

The boats were rapidly lowered and filled, while, thank Heaven, the storm seemed to abate. The women went first, of course, and all who proceeding well, when, just as the last boat was being filled, I remembered that in my hurry I had left my mother's miniature in my chest. There was plenty of time to fetch it, and in a second I was down in the cabin. Flinging the lid open, my hand was already upon the likneses, when I heard a foot upon the stairs. I turned, and by the dim light yet swinging from the roof perceived Jacob Kiel.

Good Heavens! The diabolical expression on his face, the fiendish malice in his dark, snake-like eyes, revealed his intention in a moment. He had come to do me some deadly harm. Leaping up, I seized my revolver, to be on my guard; but an attack was not his purpose. Before I could prevent him, he had quickly closed the cabin door, and locked it on the outside.

Like a flash of lightning all the horrors of my situation instantly flashed before me. I was a prisoner in the sinking ship! Uttering a loud shout of fury, I sprang forward; the cry was echoed by a laugh from Jacob Kiel. I heard him say, "Who will marry May Brodstone now?" and then his feet went rapidly up the stairs.

I called aloud for help; the uproar of the storm drowned my voice. I paused. Just then the wind lulled, and I heard an order to push off; the speaker was Jacob Kiel. I again shouted in my agony; but my voice and the wind rose together—I was not heard. I continued to shout like a madman, though I knew that all hope was gone—that I was alone, like a trapped rat, in the sinking ship.

Furiously I beat the door, all the while painfully conscious that rescue was impossible and death certain, for it was night, and, as no dought the storm would separate the boats, my absence would not be discovered until the vessel had foundered.

Could I expect aught else, when in the occasional lull of the hurricane I heard the rush of the deadly waters in the hold, and felt the ship lurch more heavily each moment as she plunged in the trough of the sea? Suddenly she gave a terrific heel over, and a wave came rattling down the companion ladder like thunder, rushed under the door and inundated the cabin.

I shrieked in agony, believing that all was over—that I was to die thus, not even with the chance of battling for life.

I felt that I could meet death calmly if I were on deck, with the heavens above me; but my very hair stirred at the thought of being buried in the sea as it were in a box. Was there really no way of escape? I looked round and gave a great cry of joy, leaped forward, careless now that the water mounted higher and higher.

"Fool! Idiot!" I exclaimed. "You are your own murderer!"

My eyes had rested upon my revolver. In a second I had fired two of its barrels into the lock of the door, shivering it to atoms, and the next minute I was upon the deck—only just in time, for the vessel was settling fast. It would have settled long before, but that the storm had abated.

With a wild hope I looked for the boats. Near or far all was alike—darkness hid the waters. But, having succeeded so far, I resolved not to despair. One by one I discharged the remaining barrels of my revolver, and then plunged into the sea, to swim as far as I could from the ship before it sank, hoping that I should find some pieces of wreck. I did so before I had proceeded far—a mast, with cordage attached. This helped me; for, after lashing myself to the mast as well as I could, the waves bore me away. Suddenly, however, a fearful rush of water seized me. I was drawn rapidly back, and then down as in a whirlpool—flung, it seemed, here, there and everywhere—after which I remembered no more. When I came to, I was in one of the boats, with May Brodstone leaning over me.

It appeared that directly morning dawned the boats were called together, and the captain went over the names, when mine was found missing; upon which he had resolved to row back, and see if he could not find me, urged thereto by many of his companions, who wondered—as did not Jacob Kiel—what could have prevented my getting into one of the boats.

The sea was nearly calm, the sun shining, and their search was not difficult. They soon perceived a dark object. Approaching it, they found it to be myself, clinging like grim death to the wreck, but laughing and yelling like a maniac. In fact, I was mad, and for some time after they managed to get me into the boat I remained so; then I became calmer, though I was delirious for a whole day and night.

Directly sensibility returned I told my story, filling every one with horror, especially May Brodstone.

"I see it all!" exclaimed the captain. "The villain! Last night our boats separated in the darkness; this morning the one bearing Jacob Kiel and the worst of the crew was missing. He has either steered the boat into a different track, or paid the fellows to desert us, fearful of the punishment that might have awaited him when we touched land."

Whether this was so I do not know, for we never heard of Jacob Kiel again.

That day we were picked up by one of Green's ships, homeward bound, and in due time were landed in England, where May and I were married, and where we now reside; for my wife will not hear of crossing the ocean again, as she cannot forget—that most terrible moment of my life.

He Turned the Wheel.

A certain eminent professor who had spent nearly the whole of his life in the classic shades of learning, and was about a century behind the times in everyday matters, came up to London last summer to attend some royal society or other, and put up at a well-known hotel not far from Charing Cross.

In the night he was taken with a violent thirst. He would have made a raid upon the water supplied in his bedroom decanter, but his knowledge on such matters warned him it was dangerous to touch water that had been standing in a room.

Therefore he slipped on his trousers and started out on a memorable expedition to find some water in a filter.

In the hall, opposite the top of the stairs, he found a filter, a new-fashioned filter, though, such as he had never seen before. Instead of a glass or cup there was a neat little rubber hose with a nicely polished nozzle.

"There," said the professor to himself, "now that's what I call a really sensible idea. I had no notion that anything so delightfully simple existed. I'll have one of these fixed at home. Get the water direct without disarranging one's mustache, too. I wonder how the thing works."

Presidently his eye fell upon the printed direction, which told him to turn the wheel on the top as far as it would go.

"Ah, that's it," said the professor, and he placed the nozzle in his mouth and turned the wheel.

When the professor came to he found himself one stage lower on the stairs. At least his head was there and his feet were one or two steps higher. The professor sat up.

"Did that on my back," he muttered, rubbing vigorously in several places.

Through the balustrading he saw a crowd of boys, porters, housemaids and half-dressed visitors standing around the filter." The professor heard the manager call from his room:

"What's the matter there?"

"Oh, some idiot has turned on the fire hydrant."

Then the professor scrambled to his feet and crept up to his room, without participating in the general inquiry as to who that idiot might be.—Answers.

Just What He Wanted.

One of the first men to reach San Francisco with a hoard of Klondike gold was an Irishman named Finnegan, who had been very poor before he struck it rich, and who, consequently, was unfamiliar with many ordinary usages of a life of luxury.

"Oi say, yez kin bring me two dozen eyesters," he said, airily, as he took a seat in one of the finest restaurants in 'Frisco.

The oysters were soon set before him, and Finnegan, looking about him for something to put on them, and hardly knowing what the something should be, spied a bottle of Tabasco, and proceeded to season the bivalves not wisely but too well.

Impaling an oyster upon his fork, he thrust it into his mouth, then leaped to his feet with a terrific roar of pain, and began dancing about and yelling like a madman.

"See here!" cried the proprietor, rushing to the table, "keep still, or I'll put you out!"

"P-p-put mè out, is it? Oi wish yez would put me out!" yelled Finnegan. "Me insides is blazin' loike a match-factory!"—Harper's Magazine.

The Kind of Power Used.

"The statement that General Hampton lost a leg in the war reminds us of a little story," says the Montgomery Advertiser. "In the days before the war there was a hotel on top of Stone Mountain, in Georgia, and the water for use of the guests was raised by a force pump from below. A Northern traveler who knew something of the use of hydraulic rams accosted the landlord with: 'This is fine water, landlord; is it raised by a ram?' 'Ram, thunder!' snorted the landlord, 'it's a blamed big mule!' And that's the way Wade Hampton lost a leg."

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Good Country Roads.

"The great secret of success in road-making and road-keeping is to drain the roads, and keep the roads drained by keeping the ditches open," writes John Gilmer Speed on "How to Have Good Country Roads," in the Ladies' Home Journal, "The old method was to run a plow through the side ditches and throw the disturbed soil, sod and all, in the middle of the road. There it would stay till a heavy rain came to wash this soil back into the ditches and fill them up again. If there were money enough this kind of thing would be done over and over again, as often as four times in a year. Where there were wet spots broken stone or gravel would be placed in the road and left for the passing wagons to wear this metal into ruts. The money spent was absolutely thrown away.

"By the new process all the road-mender needs to do is to provide ditches and outlets for them, and then so shape the road that the water falling in a rainstorm will run off at once into the ditches. The water must not be suffered to run in the road, but off the road. The rainfall, being thus simply and effectively disposed of, becomes a most beneficial instead of a destructive agent; it cleans, and shapes, and hardens the roadway, instead of washing it away and deepening the ruts. When there are wet places, such as springs, in the roadway, gravel and broken stone will not cure such things. The water must be drained off underneath the roadway and into the ditches by means of pipe or blind-drains. The whole thing is so simple that any one can easily master the principles and put the details into practical operation."

The Cost of Hill Taxes.

The tax we have to pay because the original cattle tracks and paths led abruptly up and down over hills seems to be as immovable as the hills themselves which cause it. Immense sums would be eventually saved if many hill roads were re-located. In learning how to improve our highways and to construct new ones, it is well to learn where lines should run, in order to ensure economy in grades and reduce the tax on time, strength, wear and tear and maintenance caused by hills.

Writing on this subject in the Portland Industrial Journal, Mr. S. D. Gray tells of roads over hills which "must not be gone around because our fathers traveled them and we may as well be foot-sore as they." He cites a case "in which both town and county commissioners refused to act. This road was two miles in length with eight rugged hills, four of them unsafe to ride up or down. All these hills could have been avoided and a level road made for less than $1000 that would pay for itself in ten years. The old hills still remain. What we need is an understanding not how to build our roads but to say where our roads can and should be built."

To Improve Roads in Louisiana.

The new constitution of Louisiana allows the Police Juries "to set aside at least one mill per annum of the taxes levied by them, and to impose a per capita tax of not more than one dollar per annum upon each able-bodied male inhabitant.... and to levy an annual license of not less than twenty-five cents nor more than one dollar per annum upon each vehicle, including bicycles, kept and used for locomotion" for the purpose of "constructing, maintaining and repairing the public roads and bridges of their parishes."

Would Increase Driving.

An officer of a carriage company expresses himself in favor of four-inch tires as the narrowest that should he used for a wagon carrying more than 800 pounds and says, "we think it would be very hard, indeed, to estimate the benefit to be derived by the vehicle industry from wide tires or good roads. We believe that anything that would add to the pleasure of driving would benefit the carriage industry, and the improvement of roads would certainly add much to this pleasure."

Anti-Rut Paragraphs.

Dust makes a very find road. Something a little coarser is not so likely to blow away.

Eight-inch tires are to be put on the sprinkling carts which will be used to water the new speedway in New York.

Since Massachusetts began to build State highways, over one hundred steam-rollers have been purchased by towns in the State.

Adjustable iron tires for heavy wagons can be had in suitable widths and can be easily put on, thereby converting the ordinary road destroyer into a road improver.

A road that receives little care soon shows wheel tracks and ruts. It it was constantly swept and frequently scraped both of these would be obliterated, and drivers would not follow so constantly in the same tracks, to the great detriment of the road.

There has been much complaint regarding the poor condition of the country roads about Lebanon, Penn., and now Colonel A. Frank Seltzer, acting district attorney, has notified all the township supervisors that unless they place the roads in first-class condition and place in positlon suitable sign-boards he will have them indicted.

Three essentials of modern road-building are the road-machine, for grading, shaping and preparing the road-bed; the stone-crusher, which may often advantageously be portable, with outfit for breaking the stone, and an efficient road-roller, preferably a steam-roller of about twelve tons' weight. These are at the bottom of economical macadam road construction.

Real Gem of the Antilles.

If Cuba be the "Pearl of the Antilles," which is open to doubt, Porto Rico is its diamond, its ruby, its Koh-i-noor, the most precious stone in the carcanet which Spanish luck and enterprise plucked from the misty, mysterious regions of the West four centuries ago. It is inferior to Cuba only in the attribute of size. In fertility of soil, in salubrity of climate, in strategic position and in the character of its people, which, after all, is the most serious condition confronting any country which desires to annex or govern the West Indies, it is far superior. It is, indeed, well worth having, which cannot be said of every colonial possession on the rent-roll of Spain.

Porto Rico lies at the Windward end of the Antillean chain. It is 2000 miles distant from some parts of Cuba, which shows that it runs a long way to the east. It affords an excellent vantage for control of the Carib Sea trade. It is so far out into the Atlantic that the establishment of a coaling station upon its soil would be of immense advantage to our ships in case of further troubles with European nations. It is capable of growing sugar, coffee, fruits and other tropic staples in the greatest abundance. In proportion to size it has paid Spain more money than any other one of its colonies. Its climate is tolerable in summer, delightful in winter, and healthful always. Its air lacks the enervating quality common to the atmosphere of lands farther to the west. It has lain for eons smiling in a setting of blue and waiting only a touch of Northern energy to make it the fairest island of all the seas.—Chicago Times-Herald.

A Porcelain House.

Japan, it seems, intends sending to the Paris Exhibition a huge house, hexagonal in shape, and composed entirely of porcelain. It measures several yards in circumference, and its weight will not be less than seventy tons. From the artistic point of view, according to the several models already finished, it will be exquisite. It is estimated that the cost of making it will be about $10,000.—London Chronicle.

The castle of Heidelberg is the largest in Germany.

A WOUNDED BOY'S SHOT.

Brings Down a Spanish Sharpshooter Who Was Trying to Kill Him.

Mr. Belthasar Prell of Baltimore, Md., has received a letter from his son, Martin Prell, of Troop G, First cavalry. The letter is dated from the United States general hospital, Key West, Fla., and is as follows:

"I am now at the Key West hospital, wounded. I suppose you have already seen my name in the papers. I am wounded and good for about six weeks in bed before I will be able to walk. I received a compound fracture in the left leg, the bullet passing through the inner side of my leg and breaking it off completely. I also received a flesh wound in the right ankle which is now almost well. My fractured leg is getting along nicely, and I am doing well and hope to be out again in about six weeks.

"I was real lucky in not getting killed, for it was a hard battle, but we won the day and drove the Spaniards out of the trenches and planted the Stars and Stripes on the principal fort and the hills around Santiago de Cuba.

"Yes the Spaniards are brave fighters—when they are behind a brick wall; but when we get them out of their intrenchments they are the best runners you ever saw in your life. But they did certainly fight while they were intrenched, and their sharpshooters in the trees did the best work.

"After I was wounded and had crawled to the rear, I saw some one shooting at me about 300 yards from me, and he was shooting pretty close to my head. I was in pain and wounded in both legs and could not even walk, but I still dragged my gun and had it loaded, and I said to mysel that he would either get me or I would get him. So I took a good aim and let it go and saw his gun fall first, and then a Spaniard, and then I was lucky again, and then crawled to the hospital tent, where I had my wounds dressed.

"It was one of the most disagreeable sights you ever saw in your life, for there were dead and wounded wherever you fell. But the boys stood it bravely and clinched their teeth and the intrenchments were filled with dead Spaniards by the hundreds. During the whole day it rained bullets, and at times they came thicker than rain; but the more the bullets came the harder the boys would fight, and the more they would advance."

Mr. Prell has been in the regular army nearly three years, and is an excellent shot. His brother, Leonard Prell, is a member of the Fifth Maryland regiment.

A Confusion of Names.

He was looking lank and lean; he wore a threadbare suit of black and under one arm he carried a volume; under the other there was an umbrella which had seen better days. He entered so quietly that Dodson, who was busy at his desk, did not hear him.

"I have here—" he began softly.

Dodson wheeled in his chair and took in the situation. "I don't care what you have!" he roared. Don't you see that sign 'Peddlers and book agents not wanted,' or are you blind?"

"The Life of Samson—" continued the agent with an apologetic smile.

"Why didn't you say so before?" said Dobson, subsiding.

"In one volume, price $1.50," continued the long, thin man in black.

"I'll take it," said Dodson shortly. "Good day, sir."

A few minutes later a friend of Dodson's happened in and took up the volume.

"Hello, old man," said he, "I didn't know you went in for biblical subjects."

"I don't see the joke," said Dodson testily. "I believe that in times like these every patriotic American citizen should familiarize himself with the lives of our prominent men who are at the front making history for the glorious country. We neglect these things too long. I propose to keep up with the times."

"You will have to hurry if you do," answered his friend dryly. "This particular Samson without the 'p' has been dead for three thousand years."—

Unexplored Bolivia.

The richest parts of Bolivia have not been surveyed, and there are great provinces here which are practically unexplored. There are some sections which are as unknown as Central Africa, and their inhabitants have as curious customs as the savages along the edges of the Sahara. There is a strip of Bolivia several hundred miles wide and about five hundred miles long, lying between this plateau and the boundary of Brazil, which has resources of great wealth. I have met men here who have traveled overland to Paraguay, and the Argentine. They tell me of vast plains upon which cattle feed in herds of thousands. They can be bought for from $2 to $3 a head, for there is no means of getting them to the markets. At present Senor Ballivian tells me there is a syndicate formed in London to connect these rich grazing lands with the head of navigation of some of the Amazon branches by means of a railway which will run along the boundary between Brazil and Bolivia, but on Brazilian soil. The road will be on the line of a concession granted to Colonel Church some years ago, and its purpose will be to carry these cheap cattle to the rubber camps of the Amazon. There are several other important projects to build railroads in Bolivia. One is to construct a line from La Paz to the Desuaguadero river. This line would be sixty-five miles long, and Senor Ballivian says it will probably be begun this summer. Another scheme is to extend the Central North Argentine railway to Sucre. This road is now near the Bolivian border, and it would pass through a rich cattle-grazing, agricultural and mining territory, and would furnish an outlet to the Atlantic for Bolivian products. There are several other plans for railroads from the Argentine into Bolivia, and the day will probably come when all of eastern Bolivia will be opened to settlement.—Frank G. Carpenter in Atlanta Constitution.

The Professor as a Nurse.

A certain learned professor, who lives in New York, has a wife and family, but, professor-like, his thoughts are always with his books. One evening his wife, who had been out for some hours, returned to find the house remarkably quiet. She had left the children playing about, but now they were nowhere to be seen. She asked what had become of them, and the professor explained that, as they had made a good deal of noise, he had put them to bed without waiting for her or calling a maid.

"I hope they gave you no trouble," she said.

"No," said the professor, "with the exception of that one in the cot there. He objected a good deal to my undressing him and putting him to bed."

The wife went to inspect the cot.

"Why," she exclaimed, "that's little Johnny Green from next door!"—

Extermination of Mould in Cellars.

Unslaked lime is best suited for this purpose. Same is blown, in the shape of a fine powder, on the walls of the cellar and into the joints and crevices by means of the bellows or else thrown on with the hand. The walls must be damp; dry walls have to be well moistened previously. The lime slakes with the adhering water and kills all organisms. On the day following the walls are washed off, and, as experience has proved, the cellar will remain free from mould for at least two years.

A Boy's Definition of War Ships.

A Chicago school-teacher the other day asked her class the difference between a battle-ship, a cruiser, a monitor and a torpedo boat. One boy wrote: "Battle-ships is three-masted schooners with guns on all four corners. Cruisers is what the Navy cruise round in. A monitor is a boy or girl what tattles on the other side. Torpedo-boats throws torpedoes up in the air and then comes down and mashes everything."

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Help us to make the News, the best weekly in the state.

Every body is getting ready for alarge business this fall. Are you husling for your share?

If you are proud of your town dont you think it would be a good idea to help her paper all you can.

Our merchants can't afford to sit down and let Centreville enchorch on her territory. Let everybody hustle for Montevallo.

Montevallo is the best advertised town in the state, we should encourage the people that desire to locate here, the more people the better busines and more enterprise.

We hope that the A. P. I. will get an appropriation from the legnsature large enough to build the building needed by the school, Alabama can well afford to be liberal with her daughters.

Montevallo must have a graded school, our people must get to-gether and build a school house that will be suitable for Montevallo. Where the negro church now stands is an ideal location. Work up and do your duty.

Teachers Iustitute

Program of Teachers Institute to be held at Columbiana Sept. 23rd and 24th 1898. Opening exercises conducted by Rev. W. I. Sinnott, at 9:30 a. m. Sept. 23rd

1st Song.
2nd Welcome address Hon. W. B. Brown.
3rd Response. Prof- J. L. Ruffin.
Music.
4th Enrollment of Teachers.
5th How should we train pupils in habits of self control J. C. Burgner. W. H, Bird.
6th Teaching primary Arithmetic. Miss Lou Ella Lyon.
7th Teaching Fraction. L. Booth Riddle.
8th Teaching Percentage. P. Wr Acton.
9th Are lady teachers better for the primary grades than gentlemen, General discussion by the Institute.
10th The evil effects of quarreling and complaining by the teachers. Miss Ophelia Galloway and M. E. Pelham,
11th Teaching language lessons. Prof. W. B. Greek.
12th Teaching Grammar. S. P. Williamson.
13th Teaching reading first, second and third grades. Miss Georgia Cromwell. H. M. Abercrombie.
14th Teaching reading fourth & fifth grades. Miss Nannie Fulton. H. A. McKinnon.
Music.
Seccond Day Saturday September 24th at 9 a. m.
1st Song and prayer.
2nd Teaching Politeness and good manners. Miss Minnie Kidd.
3rd Teaching Punctuality truthfulness and honesty. Prof. C. H. Florey.
4th Ccrporal punishment in School.
5th Question Box conducted by Prof. F. Mynatt.
6th Address on Institute work John H. Mooney.
7th What are the ends of Education? Miss Lucy Smith,
8th Five minutes talks by the Teachers.

Eugene Williams,
Supt. of Education.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

The Methodist of this place will move their church down in town making it much more convenient for the majority of the members.

The protracted meeting, which was held at the Baptist Church last month was a grand success.

Rev. J. D. Martin, tore the bark off of all denominations except the Baptist, making it very painful for quite a number of us.

Prof. J. E. Yeager, of Spring Creek, will open a school at this place in the near future Prof Yeager is well qualified for this position, and we wish for him and pupils much success.

Hon. C. W. Cary, who has been visiting relatives in Connecticutt for quite awhile, passed through town yesterday, enroute to his coal mine near this place.

Mr. Arthnr Hatcher, formely of Gurnee, has moved to Dogwood, we are always glad to welcome such a good citizen to our town.

We some times have Justice Court in Dogwood, and we always have a large crowd.

C. D. & F.

MAPLESVILLE.

Mr. F. U. Crumpton has returned home after quite an extended tour through the North West.

Mr. Wheeler Fosher, is at home on a visit to his mother.

Miss Gertrude Woolley, has returned home from an excursion trip to Chicago.

Miss Stella Bowlin of Selma, has returned home after a two weeks visit to Mrs. Vines of this place.

Mr. Clyde Martin, went to Tuscaloosa Sunday,

Our town is on quite a boom, one new store and bright prospects for another.

Mr. Steele and family, of Mobile, have moved to this place.

Quite recently two cotton seed ware houses have been erected at this place.

Unless macrimonial lightning strikes this place pretty soon there will be good prospects of having several old maids left on our hands.

Success to the News.

Uncle Tige.

ALDRICH ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hoskins, returned from Wilmington N. C. Friday.

Mr. Charley Monroe and sister Miss Birdie left Sunday for Etna Ga. to visit relatives. They will stop at Oxanna for a few days.

Mr. Oscar W. Tenney, our clever lightning manipulater went to Wilsonville Sunday to see home folks.

Mr. C. F. Robbins, came home Monday, he had been in New York for quite awhile.

The Aldrich boys intended to show the Caleraites how to play ball, but only four of them showed up Saturday.

Mr. Aldrich and wife returned home Tuesday. They were welcomed by their many friends.

Rev. P. L. Abernathy organized a branch of the Epworth League here Sunday, fifteen charter members. The following officers were elected.

Miss Bessie Hoskins President.
1st Vice Pres. Geo. B. Monroe.
2nd " " Miss Mamie Hoskin
3rd " " Miss Hattie Corbatt
Oscar Tenney secy. John Davis Treas. Every one invited to join.

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METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. I. INNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

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LOCAL.

Celery seed at McCluney & Co.

Mr. Jos. Crim, of Longview, has moved here.

Mr. J. D. Farrington, has been sick for several drys.

FOR SALE.—A good typewriter Apply at the News office.

Mrs. Wilkinson returned home to day.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandergrift.

Major Strong sent us a pear that weighted 22 ounces, can you beat it

☞When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Mr. George Vest, of Columbiana, was in town Monday.

Try a bottle of V.V. V. for that tired feeling. F. F. Crowe & Co. keep it.

Mr. Richard Ozley, will attend the Brierfield Normal Institute this year.

Don't forget that Morgan Bros. are the people who advertise.

Mr. T. M. Allen has moved in the Wilson house.

White Mustard seed at McCluney & Co.

Drs. Givhan and Wilkinson attended the medical association at Columbiana, Tuesday.

Do you know we have a news stand in Montevallo.

Miss Nellie Kierman, of Piedmont, is visiting her brother, Mr. P. J. Kierman.

Caraway seed at McCluney & Co.

Rev. F. M. Woods, and family of Blocton, spent a few days this week with Judge Ozley.

Morgan bonght the first bale of cotton of the season form I. T. Self. for five & nine sixteenth Morgan is always first.

Mr. and Mrs. Cary have returned home, they have been spending the summer in Conn.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Misses Dora Fonde and Nannie Brown of Montgomery, are the guest of W. B. Reynolds this week.

A full line of spices at McCluney & Co.

Montevallo boasts of having the largest ham in the world. Its weight is 275 pounds, it is now on exhibition at the St. George Hotel

All the popular magazines periodicals and news at McCluney & Co.

Dr. H D. Passmore, dentist, of Abbertville, is in town. Dr. Passmore is thinking of locating here, we think he would do well and the News would be glad to see him make his home here.

News stand opened at W. B. McCluney & Co.

Little Willie Shivers, while trying to play show man, on top of Mr. Canterberry's house fell and broke his arm. He is getting along nicely now and we hope he will soon be well a gain.

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

In the absence of Dr. Givhan and Dr. Wilkinson some thief appropiated to his own use $90.00 belonging to Dr. Wilkinson. A liberal reward will be paid for their apprehension.

Our line of hats are up to-date, see them before you buy. Morgan Bros.

Mr. Edgar Allen, while building air castles, forgot that he wasr iding a bicycle, the wheel bucked and the destruction was awful. Several large piece of his outer covering was taken off without any effort on his part, he was so disfigured that we let him get to us with a bill before we discovered who he was.

Wanted, a position by a young man to teach music, reference furnished as to ability.

Apply to A. A. Roebuck.
Aldrich, Ala.

Tuesday evening the orchestra gave a delightful concert at the Hotel. Misses Mary and Kate Kroell played two beautiful pieces. Montevallo orchestra consists of thirteen pieces, the boys played like Ruebin did.

Our devil gave the following account of the concert, Sam Allen opened the engagement wit the Samson gun boat he landed a ten noter on Ham's peano, Lee opened the peano way up in G McCluney run his torpedo fiddile ten notes to fast, Chas. Acker broke two strings trying to keep up, Harry just couldent get in at all, but the Misses Kroell's played like the graphophone or Patruska.

For Sale.—We have for sale a good organ, in good order, which will be sold at about one third of origional cost.

The Montevallo steam gin is now readyfor the season of 98 & 99 with special preporations for this crop in the way of additional improvement in handling cotton and seed, together with a reduction in the price of ginning to 11 cents per hundred pounds seed cottou making the price uniform for large or small bales. With a market for both cotton and seed make it to the interest of all farmers who come to this market, to patronize the Montevallo gin

You invite disappointment when you experiment. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are pleasant, easy, thorough little pills. They cure constipation and sick headache just as sure as you take them. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mr. C. C. Dill will leave for Talladega, on the thirteenth.

Ladies———Please
Wait and see our line of dress we have best. Suitable triming to match. Morgan Bros.

Mr. C. B. Davidson, is going to school at Harpersville.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

The League rally with an address from Dr. Culver, will be held at Aldrich Hall on Tuesday evening Sept. 13th at 7. 30 O'clock, an interesting program has been arranged let everybody attend.

NOTICE.

I would like to swap or sell 80 acres of land for 20 acres of land with a good house on it. Said land is four miles from Montevallo, in a good neighborhood, and near two churches. There are 35 acres cleared and 45 in timber, all lying level. There is lasting water on the place. Within one-half mile of Dogwood station. For further particulars, apply at the New office, or address J. A. Roebuck, Montevallo, Ala.

Subscribe for the News.

A Narrow Escape.

Mrs. James Ozly had a narrow escape last Friday out on a lonely road. Mrs. Ozley had been attending a protracted meeting at Spring Creek, and was returning home in her buggy, happening to look back she discovered a negro man walking at a rapid gait, as if was trying to overtake her. Withoute citing the suspicion of her daughtershe drove faster' and observedthe negro still gaining on her She became alarmed and put the whip to the horse, the negro started for the buggy in a run he grabed a valise in the rear of the buggy and made for the woods. Several parties went after the negro but have not captured him yet.

What the fellow that don't advertise think of Morgan.

I sit at my door day by day,
And watch the folks at Morgans;
They come and they go
Like the flakes of the snow,
While I sit at my door
All alone.

I think I'll step down to Morgans,
And ask how he makes business pay
His goods go like hot cakes,
And great profits he makes,
While I sit at my door
All alone.
Now this is the tale that he tells—
His goods so quickly he sells,
Because he is wise,
And does well advertise,
While I sit at my door
All alone.

I shall try this wonderful cure,
There are customers still to secure.
Then like Morgan,
Fair or foul be the day,
I'll not sit at my door
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Hotel Clocks Always Truthful.

"When I am traveling I never put the slightest confidence in a household clock," writes Robert J. Burdette in the Ladies' Home Journal. "A hotel clock I can depend upon. There are too many watches in a hotel—good watches, watches whose absolute correctness means money to the commercial man who regulate the traveling life of this country. A lying clock would be spotted in a quarter of a second, and the unhappy clerk scourged with pitiless sarcasms therefor. In the course of my wanderings up and down this part of the globe I missed a few trains and lecture engagements by depending upon clocks in the homes of my friends. Having thus paid for the lesson—fifteen or twenty thousand dollars, I think—by my own computation of the value of my lectures (set ahead a little bit, you know, it may be a trifle fast; I haven't time to look up the exact figures), I withdrew all my trust from mantel clocks, especially the highly ornamented marble-and-gilt variety with silver bells or cathedral chimes."

Cycles of Rainfall.

A contemporary points out that the statistics of rainfall which have been collected in various parts of England for many years past show that there is a regular recurrence of cold and wet periods every thirty-five or thirty-six years, measuring from the centers of each period. Curiously enough, other observations show the same rule to apply to many other parts of the world as well. On the assumption that these fluctuations may be depended on, the center of the next wet period should occur in the second decade of the coming century; but in the immediate future we should have a preponderance of dry periods for some years yet to follow.—New York World.

Has not Slept for Five Years.

It is reported that a man in Indiana has not had an hour's sleep for five years. He constantly walks about, unable to rest, and is now little more than a skeleton. There are thousands of men and women who are unable to sleep more than an hour or two a night because of nervousness, weakness, dyspepsia, headache and constipation. A certain remedy for these disorders is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. All druggists sell it.

The proportion of foreigners to English in England is about 1 in 250.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

James Balfour-Melville, who had been a member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club since 1846 and had won its gold medal, was choked to death by a piece of beef while at dinner recently.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Houses in the West End of London are not letting well this year. The only places that are letting well are shootings in the highlands, which are snapped up very rapidly.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

I have found Piso's Cure for Consumption an unfailing medicine.—F. R. LOTZ, 1305 Scott St., Covington, Ky., Oct. 1, 1894.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco gives the consumers the very best Tobacco they can get. 2 ounces for 10 cents. It is fast winning its way to public favor. Try it.

No fewer than 1,173 persons have been buried in England in Westminster Abbey.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Over sixty thousand oil wells have been sunk in the United States.

Feed Your Nerves

Upon rich, pure, nourishing blood by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and you will be free from those spells of despair, those sleepless nights and anxious days, those gloomy, deathlike feelings, those sudden starts at mere nothings, those dyspeptic symptoms and blinding headaches. Hood's Sarsaparilla has done this for many others—it will cure you.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills cure sick headache. 25c.

A FLOATING MACHINE SHOP.

The Remarkable Crew and Equipment Carried by the Vulcan.

The floating machine shop of the United States navy has been named the "Vulcan," and this vessel is now with Admiral Sampson's fleet and was ready to repair any damage which might have been sustained at the hands of Admiral Cervera; but it is likely that now she will devote her attention to saving some of the wrecked vessels in conjunction with the wrecking companies. It is said that $300,000 was spent in altering and equipping this vessel. Officially the "Vulcan" is an engineers' repair ship, and formerly she was the steamer "Chatham." Shortly before the war, Engineer in Chief Melville recommended that two vessels be purchased which could be transformed into engineers' repair ships and attached to the Atlantic and Flying squadrons. Only one steamer was purchased by the Auxiliary Board, and she was transformed at the Boston navy yard. While the ship is not intended for fighting purposes, she carries two rapid-fire six-pounder guns. The "Vulcan" is to follow in the wake of the fleet, and she has a large coal capacity which will give a wide radius of action. She will also supply fresh water to other vessels and make such repairs as may become necessary. The bow of the boat is devoted to a stock room; back of this is the blacksmith shop. There are also evaporators and distillers of a capacity equal to a daily output of 10,000 gallons of water. There is a complete foundry with a cupola, which will enable castings to be made on the boat. She has two steam cranes with ten-foot arms, which are especially designed for moving weights from a man-of-war and for transferring machinery to a disabled ship. There are also plate-bending rolls, punches, shears, lathes, planers, drills, milling machines and other machine tools, which will enable them to repair the hulls, engines, and boilers or guns. The "Vulcan" carries a large complement of first-class mechanics, and the repair shop has some of the finest engineers in the country. It is doubtful if any vessel has yet started out to war which has carried such a complement of well-trained and well-educated men. The "Vulcan's" captain is Lieut.-Commander Ira Harris, who has been general manager of the Chicago Drop Forge and Foundry Company. The chief engineers are Gardiner Sims, the head of the Armington-Sims Engine Works, of Providence, Rhode Island, who has thirty of his best mechanics aboard, and Professor Aldrich, of the University of Virginia, one of the best electrical experts in the country. Out of her entire crew of two hundred men, ninety-two have the right to wear the officer's cap.—Scientific American.

Eleven Thousand Eyes in One.

In the course of his lecture at the London Institution on "Insects at Work," F. Enock, after referring to the trap door and the garden spiders, spoke at some length on the leaf cutting bee, probably the most remarkable of all bees.

The leaf cutter, he said, had three eyes in the center of its head (a very thick one) and two compound eyes, occupying, respectively, positions on each side of the others. In each of these compound eyes there were 11,000 reflectors, making a total of 22,000.

That appeared strange, but he had proved it to be a fact by placing a locust in the lens, and then taking a photograph of the head, which showed a locust in every reflector.

In explanation of the title given to this bee, it was explained that its habit was first to burrow in a sand bank, making a sort of tube for its nest. Next the intelligent creature—which was really a capital architect—would proceed to a rose tree. It would there alight upon one of the leaves and with the tools with which it worked would cut a round piece out of it. This it would carry to its nest and ram it against the extreme top end. Then it would take an oblong piece, which it used to commence the side of a cell with; and so it would go on until it had constructed twelve cells, in each of which it would deposit its collection from the Canterbury bell, of which it was very fond, and other flowers. An egg was laid in each of these cells and in due time young bees appeared and in their turn escaped from the cells and flew about, to carry on the same kind of work.

Earthquakes in the Philippines.

The earthquakes in the Philippines, especially on Luzon and Negros Islands, deserve a special story by themselves. The whole group of islands is of volcanic origin. There are seventy volcanoes in constant eruption on the islands. Several of them are the most violent in the world and are always being studied by scientists from Europe and America. The famous volcano Mayara is within sight of Manila. An earthquake occurs on an average of once every ten days. I have known small quakes to come at the rate of a dozen a day for a week atatime. About a dozen times a year there are shocks so severe that people will run about in fright and damage will be done to the buildings. The big bridge over the Passig River at Manila has been so swerved by earthquakes twice in my residence in the city that it has been made unsafe for travel. In 1884 an earthquake nearly ruined the great stone cathedral in Manila, razed many buildings to the ground, rocked hundreds more, and 2,000 people on Luzon Island were killed by falling timbers and walls. In 1860 the great earthquake occurred on Negros Island. It has never been known how many people were killed then, but the number is estimated at 7,000. Almost every structure on the island was shaken down, and great gaps, yards wide and miles long, were cracked across the island. The quake opened seams in the earth from the seacoast and made passages from the interior lakes to the ocean.

Giants of Patagonia.

The tribes to the east of the Cordilleras, in southern Patagonia, belong to Araucanian stock, and are a superior race. The Tehuelches—as they call themselves—of southern and eastern Patagonia, are the people whose unusual stature gave rise to the fables of the early days to the effect that the natives of this region were giants averaging nine or ten feet in height. It is a fact that they are the tallest human beings in the world, the men averaging but slightly less than six feet, while individuals of four to six inches above that mark are not uncommon. They are in reality by no means savages, but somewhat civilized barbarians. They are almost unacquainted with the use of firearms, notwithstanding some contact with the whites, but they have plenty of horses and dogs.

Unsurpassed hunters, they capture the guanaco and the rhea, or South American ostrich, and from the skins of these and other animals they make clothes and coverings for their tents. They make beautiful "capes," or mantles, of furs and feathers, which are highly prized by Europeans and find a ready market.—Boston Transcript.

Artificial Marble.

Louis H. Bruhl, United States consul at Cantania, contributes to the last consular report a description of a new artificial black marble made in Sicily, by which it appears soft white sandstone, after having been sawed and cut into desired forms, and smoothed, is boiled in coal tar. The resultant is hard as granite, and in this state very difficult to work. The coal tar is not put into the boiler hot, it is gradually heated up to 700 degrees and completely surrounds the sandstone. This black liquid penetrates nearly eight inches and the artificial product is susceptible of a high polish and scarcely distinguishable from pure black marble. It is very much cheaper than marble proper, costing about one-fifth of the pure article.

The Atlantic Ocean is crossed monthly by 1,000 ships.

What He Would Like.

Employer (meeting clerk on grandstand)—See here, Jenkins! You told me you would like to get off this afternoon and go to your mother-in-law's funeral.

Clerk—Y-yes, sir. I would like to do that first rate; only she isn't dead.—Judge.

An Impossibility.

"Do you know, Mr. Gilley," said Miss Sears enthusiastically, "that I have ridden a century?" "Oh, come now, Miss Sears," replied Mr. Gilley; "you cawn't have done that, doncher you know, because bicycles haven't been invented that long, aw."

"CHARLEY," said young Mrs. Torkins, "you have heard of castles in Spain." "Yes." "Did you ever see one?" "No. Why do you ask?" "I was just wondering whether they aren't built of those gold bricks you read about so much."

CONSULTING A WOMAN.

Mrs. Pinkham's Advice Inspires Confidence and Hope.

Examination by a male physician is a hard trial to a delicately organized woman.

She puts it off as long as she dare, and is only driven to it by fear of cancer, polypus, or some dreadful ill.

Most frequently such a woman leaves a physician's office where she has undergone a critical examination with an impression, more or less, of discouragement.

This condition of the mind destroys the effect of advice; and she grows worse rather than better. In consulting Mrs. Pinkham no hesitation need be felt, the story is told to a woman and is wholly confidential. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass., she offers sick women her advice without charge.

Her intimate knowledge of women's troubles makes her letter of advice a wellspring of hope, and her wide experience and skill point the way to health.

"I suffered with ovarian trouble for seven years, and no doctor knew what was the matter with me. I had spells which would last for two days or more. I thought I would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I have taken seven bottles of it, and am entirely cured."—MRS. JOHN FOREMAN, 26 N. Woodberry Ave., Baltimore, Md.

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25 CTS. PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION 25 CTS.

The Development of Suburban Traffic.

American corporations have been very enterprising in extending their lines into new districts—often, it must be added, where there was little business to warrant such extensions. Without questioning the wisdom of these enterprises, it may nevertheless be said that there has been, in most instances, a failure on the part of these corporations to secure to themselves the enormous local and suburban business which has grown up in and around our great cities. A great number of cases can be cited where this business is handled successfully and profitably on a large scale by the steam roads of Europe, establishing beyond question the desirability of the service that can be secured in this way. American managers, however, have not only disregarded this business, but have actually discouraged it; and it is only within a few years that a proper appreciation of its importance and value has been shown by even a very few of the leading companies. There is, on the other hand, an almost total lack, on the part of the public, of any proper appreciation of the part which the existing lines terminating in or passing through the great cities should take in the development of this local and suburban traffic. Corporations have been allowed, and even encouraged, to withdraw their freight and passenger stations to points farther from the business centers; and, with very few exceptions, there has never been an effort, on the part of either city or State governments, to take such action as would lead to any development in the line above suggested.—"Railway Crossings in Europe and America," by Franklin B. Locke, in Century.

Where Marriage Is a Lottery.

A cynic or a sage once remarked that marriage is a lottery. In the Province of Smolensk, in Russia, this aphorism has been reduced to a quarterly fact, for each three months there is held the most remarkable lottery ever devised.

Husbands and wives are chosen by the chance drawing of a lottery ticket.

The tickets cost one ruble each. There is only one prize to be drawn, and it consists of the entire sum yielded by the sale of the tickets, amounting to 5000 rubles, together with a lady described as of noble blood.

The tickets are sold only to males, and the lucky winner of the prize will have to marry the damsel if he takes the 5,000 rubles. If, however, he be already married, he is at liberty to turn over the money and the lady to any friend whom he may wish to put in for such a good thing.

If the winner should be willing to marry but is not found to be to the damsel's taste, then they are to be excused from matrimony and permitted to divide the rubles.

It is not hard to imagine a condition of affairs where the lady in the case refuses her chosen lord and prefers to take the cash, deciding that 2500 rubles is more to be desired than a more or less doubtful happiness with a husband of whom she knows nothing.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

Paper Hanging by Machine.

Paper hanging by machine is the latest achievement, says the Werkstatt. The arrangement used for this purpose is provided with a rod upon which the roll of paper is placed. A paste receptacle with a brushing arrangement is attached in such a manner that the paste is applied automatically on the back of the paper. The end of the wall paper is fixed at the bottom of the wall, and the implement rises on the wall and only needs to be set by one workman. While the wall paper unrolls, and, provided with paste, is held against the wall, an elastic roller follows on the outside which presses it firmly to the wall. When the wall paper has reached the top, the workman pulls a cord, whereby it is cut off from the remainder on the roll.

Marigold and camomiles in North Africa reach a height of four or five feet.

Told by the Sergeant.

From The Democrat, Grand Rapids, Mich.

At the Michigan Soldiers' Home, in Grand Rapids, lives Sergeant Richard Dunn, hale and hearty, although he carries the scars of several wounds sustained in some of the battles of the Civil War. In recounting his experience to a reporter, Mr. Dunn said:

"About a year and a half ago I began to have trouble with my stomach. My suffering was so intense that I tried different medicines and doctored with several physicians, but without permanent relief.

A Wounded Soldier.

"I read an account of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People having cured a case much like mine, and I decided to give them a trial, which I did.

"After taking five boxes I was cured. I never felt better than I do now, even in my younger days. I am naturally a robust man, but that stomach trouble, together with rheumatism, which afterward set in, were making fast inroads upon my health and I am satisfied that it would have been but a short time before my comrades would have been conducting the regulation funeral ceremonies over my remains, had I not chanced to read of and taken Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

"There are several others in the home who are taking these pills and are receiving great benefit." RICHARD DUNN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 1st day of Nov., 1897.

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Sergeant Dunn is perfectly willing that anyone should write him in reference to his case, provided stamp is enclosed for the reply.

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A Jalapa Funeral.

A funeral among the poor in Jalapa, Mexico, is a sight long to be remembered. First come the coffin-bearers, carrying the stained pine box on their shoulders, for there isn't a hearse or even a carriage in the whole city of Jalapa. The coffin is gaudily decorated with long streamers of black muslin,

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Third-Class Matter.

"Say" said the bookkeeper, addressing the cashier, and winking knowingly at the office boy, "do you know anything about this new stamp tax?"

"Sure," replied the cashier, "what do you want to know?"

"Suppose," continued the b. k., "that I wanted to express by opinion; would I have to stamp the express receipt?"

"Undoubtedly," answered the cashier. "But if you will allow me, I would suggest that you forward your opinions by mail."

"And why by mail?" asked the autocrat of the ledger.

"Because," replied the cashier, "as they have no weight, it would be cheaper."—Chicago News.

An Opportune Time.

For a time there was no sound except that of two hearts beating as one. Finally she broke the silence. "I think, George," she said, "that you'd better speak to papa tonight," "But, dearest," he protested, "he seems to be exceptionally cross tonight." "True," she admitted, "but he is also exceptionally tired."—Chicago Post.

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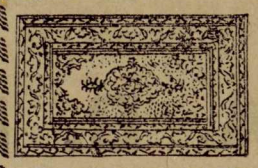

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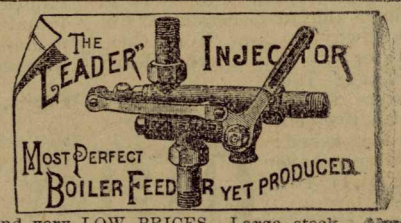

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Sales Increasing.

The largest retail drug store in America is that of Hegeman & Co. on Broadway in New York City. A reporter who went there to learn how Ripans Tabules were selling bought a five-cent carton and asked: "Do you have much call for these?"

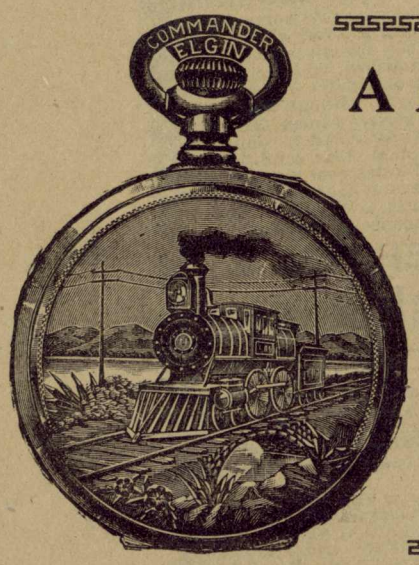
He was referred to a gentleman who proved to be the head of the department. He said:

"The sale of Ripans Tabules is constant and is increasing, due especially to the influential character of the testimonials in the daily press, and growing out of these, through the recommendation of friend to friend. Satisfaction with them is very general. When once they are begun I notice that a permanent customer for them is made. This, I believe, is through their intrinsic merit, which proves the bona fide character of the advertising. I think them specially useful in the general run of stomach troubles."

An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $3 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

A new style packet containing TEN RIPANS TABULES packed in a paper carton (without glass) is now for sale at some drug stores—FOR FIVE CENTS. The low priced sort is intended for the poor and the economical. One dozen of the five-cent cartons (60 Tabules) can be had by mail by sending forty-eight cents to the RIPANS CHEMICAL COMPANY, No. [illegible] Spruce Street, New York—or a single carton (TEN TABULES) will be sent for five cents. RIPANS TABULES may also be had of some grocers, general storekeepers, news agents and at some liquor stores and barber shops. One gives relief.



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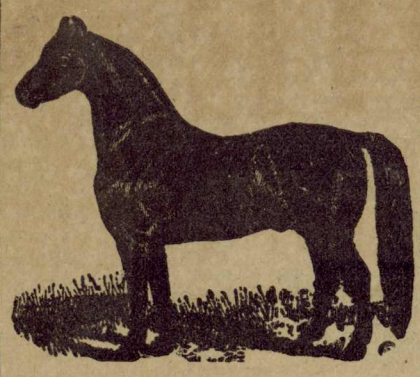

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Under the Flag.

With courage and will undaunted,
To all the world we say,
Wherever our flag is planted,
There it must ever stay;
The soil won by brave endeavor,
By death, blood, grief, and pain,
Must be ours, and must forever
Under our flag remain.

The soil where our brave are sleeping,
Be it remote or near,
Is sacred soil, and its keeping,
Duty we need not fear;
No alien fllag must cover
Bones of our fallen braves;
Old Glory alone shall hover
Over their silent graves.

Not for lust of power or booty,
Our vengeful swords we drew,
The path of our bounden duty
Lay clear as heaven's blue;
'Twas to stay the tyrant's smitting,
Th' oppressor's rule destroy,
To give to others the right in
The freedom we enjoy.

Shall we hold aloof, or falter
At Liberty's appeal?
Quench the fire on Freepoms alter
Where smitten people kneel?
Shall the isles in our possession,
Unblest, revert again
To the baseness and oppression
And cruelty of Spain?

No! by the blood that unstinted
Ran in unnumbered rills,
And moistenee the soil and tinted
The grass of Cuba's hills;
That wet Porto Rico valleys,
And hillsides of Leon,
And spilled in the midnight sallies
In far away Luzon.

By our murdered seamen, lying
In foul Havana Bay;
By our fever stricken, dying,
By those who've passed away;
We swear that the islands fated
As victims of our might
Shall be saved and consecrated
To liberty and right

To the races so benighted
Our flag shall carry peace;
All the past rongs shall be righted,
And all oppression cease;
We shall see 'neath its upraising
O'er conquered isles of Spain,
The fires of freedom blazing,
And law and order reign.

Thomas Winthrop.

THEY COME POURING IN

People who want to edit write the times.

The times is in receipt of another communication from a party who wants to edit. The fellow writes cleverly enough and he says with a few dollars in his pocket he could write a fitting essay on 'money and how to get it?"

But here he goes;

Blank, Alabama, Dear Mr. Jelks This morning as I strolled into the Franklin Times office and fouud the editor absent I threw my anat omy upon the soda keg, my feet upon the exchange table and proceeded to peruse the Captain's most valuable exchanges, and the first article that caught my eye was "Wauted, a Local Editor"—published in your paper of August 18th. I could not but feel after read ing the first few lines that the man and opportunity had met and that I was the man you were looking for.

That is good. The man and the occasion rarely come together. Hobson and Santiago came plump into each other's arms and Wheeler and San Juan and now comes the good gentleman from Blank and says he wants to fill a long felt want. Good for him.

While it would be painful for me to leave this locality, possessing the influence I do, both in church and state yet I am determined not to keep my "light under a bushel" any longer, and after giving you my qualifications think there will be no trouble for us to strike a trade.

I have been in the news paper business for several years– in the capacity of cleaning up the office and making paste, and occasionall bringing a bucket of water. As a reporter I am up date–using all the slang phrases known to the profession, such as, "let her go Galliger," "getting there Ely" "he's a hun" and "cracker-Jack," and when slapped on one cheek in varibly turn the other, and so far as being "cussed out', is concerned its a matter of small moment. I am known far and wide as au energectic liar and can make a "mountain of a mole hill," in beautiful and pathetic language, while on the other hand can say little of lots. As to my grammar I must say that I am perfect—a twin cousin to Mr. Kirkman and was for several years his qrivate secretary. So you see we will have no trouble in that line. As to clean linen—I will say that I am a walking advertisement for Jim Pyles Perline. Each season bring to my being a refreshing bath—I don't use colgne.

I agree with you on cigaretts, but being raised in the hills of North Alabama, where we are fast learning the "tricks of the black belt," I must insist on my allowance of Battle Axe, qut will promise to furnish my own cuspidor. As to "treating the measures of high art," "touching melancholly "pouring out sympathy" I am on to the racket with a sheep skin backing and no man on earth can shed more copious, briny and sym pathetic tears than your aspirant for a job. I must say, happily, that I am an expert in the bridal chamber–can smooth the ribbons, adjust the veil and lovingly smear the "swans down" upon her cheek and at the same time teach the trembling groom all of the latest attitudes. Have often poked my nose into other folks business and given adAice to the parents of the happy couple—hearing from it later.

if you think I am the youth you are looking for, and if you will kindly send me a check for 40 or 50 dollars, so I can call on you and make a trade I will then explain the problem "money and how to get it."

Yours very truly.

This is very clever indeed. The cuss can write whether he knows anything about money or uot. So many people can write! So many Adison's there are and so few Bennets!

They can soar and soar but they can get no money. They cau cock their feet up high enough on the editoral table–and not take them down again. The times is of the opinion that it is not so much men'al legs it needs as business legs. My, my, "the dollar and how to get it" is the whole story.

The gentleman from Blank may be a poet but poetry does not pay He may write like Dana and Dana would not have been able to run a newspaper in a country town—impossible! We are not assured about his buslness legs.

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who wants good clothing should see our stock,
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An Essay On Mvn.

Man is an omniverous animal

Some smart people call him a biped, but this is a zoological error.

He's just a plain, everday two-leged animal.

Man is found in most parts of the world.

He roams at will, feeds in the daytime, and sleeps at night.

Some nights.

He is very tame.

You can go up and put your hand on him anywhere, so long as you dont put it on his pocket book. He has, under such conditions, been known to kick-

He is like the dog, howls a good deal anb runs about at night.

Continued on editoral page,)

Fine Point.

"Where is the legal editor?" asked the correspondence man.

"What do you want?" asked the managing editor.

"A man wants to know if it is necessary to put stamps on poker checks. —Indianapolis Journal.

His Difficulties.

Foreigner—Vot you mean ven you say I learn de language like a big ghost?

Native American—That isn't what I said. I said you were learning it in great shape.

Foreigner—Vell, vot's de difference? —Chicago Tribune.

Beauty Was Profitable.

Pretty Cashier—"You must give me a holiday to recruit my health. My beauty is beginning to fade."

Manager—"Why do you think so?"

Pretty Cashier—"The men are beginning to count their change."

Swallowed a Needle and Died.

A tailor in Chicago accidentally swallowed a needle and died as a result of the inflammation set up by the small needle. Little things frequently have great power, as is seen in a few small doses of the famous Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which, however, has an entirely different effect from the needle in this notice. The Bitters make nervous, weak and sickly persons strong and well again. They are also good for dyspepsia and constipation.

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Many could do well if they could do anything.

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To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

If work were abolished many would become virtuous at once—laziness being immorality on this planet.

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Guaranteed tobacco habit cure makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

The cloud of death is dark toward man, bright toward God.

Pimples

Are the danger signals of impure blood. They show that the vital blood is in bad condition, that health is in danger of wreck. Clear the track by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and the blood will be made pure, complexion fair and healthy, and life's journey pleasant and successful.

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A WAR TRAGEDY.

The Line on a Bulletin Board Read by a Girl Who Was Buying Her Trosseau.

Like that of Colonel Ellsworth in the civil war, the death of the officer concerned in this story made more of an impression on the public mind than it might otherwise have done, because he was among the first to fall, writes the Washington correspondent of the New York Sun. Both men were of special interest to Washington people. Colonel Ellsworth, who had been a student of the law in the office of Mr. Lincoln at Springfield, was a member of the Lincoln household, and his body lay in state at the White House. The officer who lost his life in the present war had many personal friends at the capital, and at the time of his death the young lady to whom he was engaged to be married was here for the purpose of buying her wedding trousseau.

When he found himself assigned to take part in the operations in Cuba he shared with most of the young men who were his fellow officers the opinion that the war with meant a considerable increase in his income from various sources, and he had also special reasons for believing that he would soon be sent back North on a mission. Before he went South he was engaged to a young lady of his own State. They had been children together, and were deeply attached to each other. Being of a sanguine nature, he wrote to the young lady that as he believed his income would be considerably increased by the war, and as he hoped to be sent back to the United States, there was no reason reason why arrangements should not be made for their marriage; that, as there would not be time enough after his detail, it would be well to have her trousseau ready for an emergency.

Consequently the young lady came to Washington, where she has friends. It was noted that she was especially happy, one cause being her recovery from what was regarded as pulmonary consumption. For years she had suffered from occasional hemorrhages and severe paroxysms of coughing and had become frail and emaciated. She found no permanent relief from drugs and chages of surroundings and was at last induced to study Christian science. She began to improve and after a few months all the indications of disease disappeared. Her gain in health and the purpose of her visit to Washington combined to make her particularly lively in spirits when she came to the capital. She was able to do shopping every day without unusual weariness.

It was while she was down town, on Pennsylvania avenue, with a friend one day, that she found her way blocked by a great crowd gathered before a newspaper bulletin board. Finding it difficult to proceed for a moment, she turned her eyes to the bulletin and read in black letters the line: "—— ——, killed," the name being that of her betrothed. At first she did not realize the meaning of the words, but as they reached her understanding she was only saved from falling by the arms of the lady who accompanied her and had tried in vain to turn her attention from the bulletin. Fortunately she is a young lady of strong character and great self-control, and after the first moment of agitation she pushed out of the crowd.

Tree Climbing Fish.

India has fishes which climb trees and migrate from stream to stream in dry season. Florida can match her with a great snail which climbs trees and feasts on the young birds, like his fellow robber, the blue crab. The shell of this snail is opaline, and almost as transparent as glass. Its shape is odd and handsome. This snail is edible and not unlike those found on the coast of France and which are so much in demand in the markets of Paris. In some places they are so abundant that a shake of a tree will bring down a bushel of them.

The German government pays the North German Lloyd more than $1,000,000 a year for carrying the mails.

The Little Brother Was Urgent.

A Cleveland youth called the other evening on a young woman who resides not far from his home, and when he rang the bell her little brother came to the door, relates the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Good evening," said the little brother.

"Good evening," said the youth. "Is your sister at home, Georgie?"

"Yes, sir," replied the boy, "she's home. Do you want to see her?"

"Yes," said the youth. "Please tell her I am here."

"Won't you come in?" inquired the boy.

"No, thank you," said the youth, "I'll wait on the porch."

"Better come in," said the boy.

"No," said the youth.

"Better," said the boy.

"No," said the youth.

"Well, maybe you know best," said the boy.

"Yes," smiled the youth.

So the boy went in, and the youth sat down on the porch and propped himself against the post.

Pretty soon, with much rustling of skirts, Miss Alice appeared in the doorway.

"Mercy! Mr. Skimple, is that you? Didn't you notice the porch had just been painted?"

And then poor Skimple remembered with a sickly smile how urgent her little brother had been.

But that wouldn't remove the paint.

George Was Misquoted.

"George, Aunt Maria is ever angry at you for saying she eats too much."

"Dear, dear, I didn't say anything of the kind."

"What did you say, George?"

"All I said was that she had an appetite like a mud dredge."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

OLETIMER—Is your married life one grand sweet song? Newlywed—Well, since I got a baby it's more like a grand opera, with loud calls for the author every night.

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From the Chicago Times-Herald.

The feeling of admiration for heroes of war seems to be innate in the human heart, and is brought to the surface as the opportunity and object for such hero worship presents itself.

Among those who proved their heroism during our Civil War was A. Schiffeneder, of 161 Sedgwick street, Chicago. He is an Austrian by birth, came to America at the age of twenty and soon became an American citizen. He was living in Milwaukee when the call for volunteers came, early in 1862, and he promptly enlisted in Company A, of the Twenty-sixth Wisconsin Volunteers. In the Army of the Potomac our hero saw much fighting, campaigning in the Shenandoah Valley.

He received a wound.

In the first day's fighting at the battle of Gettysburg, Schiffeneder received a wound in the right side, which afterward caused him much trouble. With a portion of his regiment he was captured and imprisoned at Bell Island and Andersonville, and afterward exchanged. He returned to his regiment, which was transferred to the army of General Sherman, and marched with him through Georgia to the sea.

In this campaign Mr. Schiffeneder's old wound began to trouble him and he was sent to the hospital and then home. He had also contracted catarrh of the stomach and found no relief for years.

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HOBSON'S SENSE OF DUTY.

Incidents in the Early Life of the Hero of Santiago.

Donaldson Caffrey, jr., son of the United States Senator, and District Attorney for his judicial district, was a classmate of Hobson's at the Academy of Annapolis.

"Hobson," said Caffrey the other day, "is one of the most exalted characters I have ever known. He had a will of iron. His religious tendencies somewhat associated him in my mind with Stonewall Jackson, it was so pronounced. He was a hard student, attended with the most scrupulous regularity to every detail of discipline and of duty, and in all his work at the academy never forgot his Bible.

"There is an unwritten law at Annapolis that the officer of the senior class in the last year shall not report small irregularities and infractions of discipline among his classmates, and, like everything at the Naval Academy, this law is rigid, and is always respected. Hobson, however, saw his duty in disregarding it, and made himself so unpopular with the boys that to a man they all cut him. This had not the slightest effect upon him, however, for he was doing what he conceived to be his duty, and nothing could ever deter him from the performance of duty. I only saw one variation from this rule of his, and I am inclined to believe it was in his conscience no variation at all. It was when we went out cruising. Those young tigers were on the alert for the slightest opportunity to haze, and the man who is so unfortunate as to give an opening, has a rocky time of it, indeed. I remember that inadvertently I threw myself down on the mess-table on the first day out. My comrades pounced on me, and, pretending this was a heinous offense, had some fun at my expense, which I shall never forget.

"You must know we have all the amiable traits of young savages and just about as much mercy. I wondered on this trip if Hobson would have the temerity to kneel and pray. There was not a man of the crowd, out of the many superb youngsters, who would have flinched in the mouth of the cannon, with the hardihood to kneel and pray before the boys. But Hobson quietly kneeled and prayed before turning in for the night. The boys succeeded in making that unbearable for him in time and he eventually quit it. I am convinced, however, that he desisted simply because he concluded the quiet of his bed would be better conducive to a religious frame of mind, and not because he had not the moral courage to kneel and pray before the whole body of us. However, a great many of us, I am sure, did the same thing."

The Value of the Army Cook.

The value of a good cook in camp is thus estimated by Lieutenant Henry J. Reilly, U. S. A.: "If the cooks know their business the rations are well cooked and palatable; the men are contented, the sick-report has but few names on it, and their duty is easily and readily done. If there are no good cooks in the company, underdone pork, soggy beans—covered with greasy water for soup—and miserable coffee cause discontent, a large sick-report, duty poorly done, with much grumbling, and finally a small company, which the men are anxious to leave, and to which they never return if they can help it. In active field service, when three and five days' rations have to be carried in the haversack on long marches, or when strong pickets are sent out and each man has to cook his own food, arises the greatest difficulty. Those who have some knowledge of cooking get along very well and utilize anything eatable they can find, while those who have not this knowledge, unless helped by their more fortunate comrades, generally fall out and their names soon appear on the sick-list."

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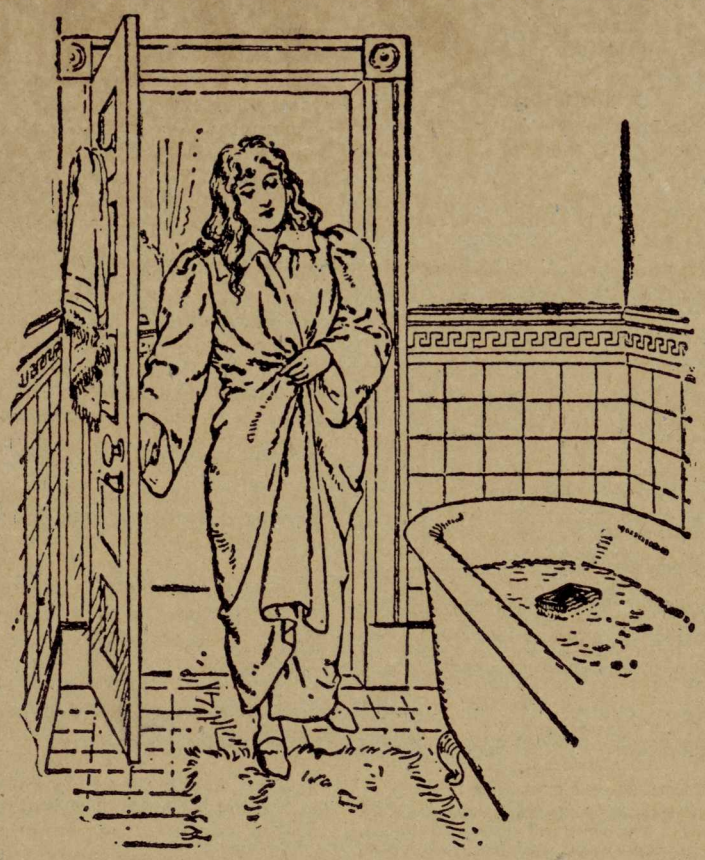

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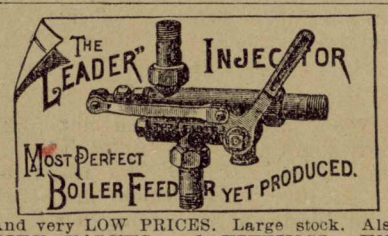

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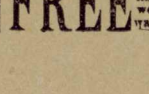

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Program of Teachers Institute to be held at Columbiana Sept. 23rd and 24th 1898. Opening exercises conducted by Rev. W. I. Sinnott, at 9:30 a. m. Sept. 23rd

1st Song.

2nd Welcome address Hon. W. B. Brown.

3rd Response. Prof- J. L. Ruffin.

Music.

4th Enrollment of Teachers.

5th How should we train pupils in habits of self control J. C. Burgner. W. H. Bird.

6th Teaching primary Arithmetic. Miss Lou Ella Lyon.

7th Teaching Fraction. L. Booth Riddle.

8th Teaching Percentage. P. Wr Acton.

9th Are lady teachers better for the primary grades than gentlemen, General discussion by the Institute.

10th The evil effects of quarreling and complaining by the teachers. Miss Ophelia Galloway and M. E. Pelham,

11th Teaching language lessons. Prof. W. B. Greek.

12th Teaching Grammar. S. P. Williamson.

13th Teaching reading first, seccond and third grades. Miss Georgia Cromwell. H. M. Abercrombie

14th Teaching reading fourth & fifth grades. Miss Nannie Fulton. H. A. McKinnon.

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1st Song and prayer.

2nd Teaching Politeness and good manners. Miss Minnie Kidd.

3rd Teaching Punctuality truthfalness and honesty. Prof. C. H. Florey.

4th Ccrporal punishment in School.

5th Question Box conducted by Prof. F. Mynatt.

6th Address on Institute work John H. Mooney.

7th What are the ends of Education? Miss Lucy Smith,

8th Five minutes talks by the Teachers.

Eugene Williams,
Supt. of Education.

DOGWOOD ITEMS.

Mr. Jim Patersons house was burned Friday night. Mr. Paterson lost all of his furniture.

Cary's mines are running again, they are expecteds to run regular.

Deputy Harrison, and Jim Vest had quite a chase last week, they went out to Cary's mines after a white man who was wanted for grand larceny.

ALDRICH ITEMS.

Mrs. Lizzie Nash, and son Geo., of Belle Ellen, was in town Sunday.

Prof. W. B. Greek, was in the city on Monday. He will probably teach our school next session.

There was an interesting game of ball on Saturday between the Blocton "Rough Riders," and the Aldrich team. The scores were 13 to 10 in favor of the "Rough Riders." One marked feature of the game was the perfect order on the grounds.

A shooting scrape occurred on Sunday afternoon, in which, Lovenia Green, a negro woman, was shot through the heart by, a negro, Jim Hill, a stripling about 17 years old. It was claimed to be accidental as there will probably be a legal investigation, comments are unnecessary.

At the hall on Monday evening at 8 O'clock the Montevallo and Aldrich branch of the Epworth League, met for their Rally. The services were opened by the singing of hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." After prayer by Rev. P. L. Abernathy, Miss Woodward, of Miss. was introduced, and in a recitaion gave a sketch of Browns troubles when he got his hair cut. Her well modulated voice and gestures show that she is perfect mistress of the art, and places her in a high rank with the Elocutionist of the land. Dr. Culver was then introduced and for more than an hour his eloquence held the attention of the audience. He out lived the objects and works of the Epworth League and Christian Endeavor, and other kindred associates. His oddress was replete with pathos and wit. His illustrations showed that Christianity was practical and not merely theoretical. The musical part of the evening entertainment was well appreciated. Time and space forbids a more extended notice, but I cannot close without tendering our thanks to Bro. Abernathy for his untiring energy in procuring for us the presence of Bro. Culver, and I am sure that I but echo the wish of all that they may long be spared to help along the good work.

Let us have another Rally at Montevallo in the near future

(Continued from first page)

Like the elephant, he has a trunk, but he doesen't always take it with him.

The elephant does.

As to what man is really good for anthropology is still in the dark.

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LOCAL.

Mrs Brown and her Neice have returned from a visit to Stantonr

For Sale.—A good typewriter Apply at the News office.

Col. R. T. Newton, will open a bakery and market soon.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandergrift.

Banks have nearly completed Kroell store.

☞When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Prof. Kilpatrick is having good success in getting up a school here,

Try a bottle of V.V.V. for that tired feeling. F. F. Crowe & Co. keep it.

Miss Nellie Rhodes, has returned from an extended visit to Calera.

Don't forget that Morgan Bros. are the people who advertise.

J. C. Rowe, of Dadeville, will clerk for Mr. Crabbe this fall.

See Morgan Bros. line of carpets'

Mr. Chas Meroney blowed himself for a big street lamp, let others do like wise.

Elegant line of dry goods at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Messrs C. C. Dill, Herman Harper, and Wayne Bayan, left Tuesday for Talladega,

Mrs Brown has bought the old George Hadnot place, and expects to move soon.

Do you know we have a news stand in Montevallo.

Mr. Johnson is building a fine butcher shop on his lot next to the creek.

C. L. Meroney & Co. sell pure high grade groceries.

Capt. Reynold's new building is nearly finished, he had it built to accomidate the schooll girls

Go to C. L. Meroney & Co. for a perfect fitting suit of clothes.

Mr. B. C. Crabbe, attended the pumpkins Husters convention at Dadeville last week.

See the show windows at Meroney's, W. E. Perry, late of Birmingham is the artist

Harry Strong left Saturday for Birmingham, where he goes to except a position with the gas Co.

Heiser's celebrated line of mens high grade goods at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Capt. Reynolds is having the big spring blasted out, to give agood basin for the water works.

Ladies buy Krippenderf, Dittman & Co. fine shoes from C. L. Meroney & Co.

Mr. W. E. Perry, is with Meroney again. Will came down from Birmingham Saturday, he says Birmingham is too slow for him.

Place your yearly subscriptions for magazines, periodicals, etc. with W. B. McCluney & Co.

Geo. Lawrence, will leave soon for Blocton where he will take a posotion with Higginbottom & Davenport, as assistant book-keeper.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Miss Ada Dill has opened a dressmaking parlor in the rear of Martin's Jewelry store, she will be glad to see her old customers, and others desiring work done.

All the popular magazines periodicals and news at McCluney & Co.

Dr. Berkstreser's pet is doing nicely we hope he will be out again soon, he has a nice little carbuncle for rent, sale or to give away, as he has no more use for it

News stand opened at W. B. McCluney & Co.

"A terrible accident. Edgar's wheel bucks agasn. Mr. Edgar Allen went to Aldrich Monday night on his bucking wheel, just as he reached the city the chain broke, he was compelled to ride back in the buss with the young ladies. Was this one of his schemes."

Our line of hats are up to-date, see them before you buy. Morgan Bros

Ginghams, Checked Percales and Duck, the latest styles for shirt waists, at Morgan Bros.

A large crowd went to Aldrich Monday night, to the Epworth League Rally.

Wanted, a position by a young man to teach music, reference furnished as to ability.

Apply to A. A. Roebuck.
Aldrich, Ala.

Mr Burgess Little visited the Majic City Tuesday.

In the absence of Dr. Givhan and Dr. Wilkinson some thief appropiated to his own use $90.00 belonging to Dr. Wilkinson. A liberal reward will be paid for their apprehension.

Miss Lucile Wilkinson has returned from her summers vacation.

For Sale.—We have for sale a good organ, in good order, which will be sold at about one third of origional cost.

Ed Lolenthal, of Selma Ala, dropped into a jay town one day with a new brand of cigars his house had sent him, He went into the store of Mizery, Lucas & Co, and tried to sell the old codger a few hundred of the new goods. The crabbed old codger said "Havent got time to look at anything now, entirely too busy" Besides I am satisfied with staple lines, I always have to give a thing a trial my self before I buy it any how. Ed kinder halted but making up his mind not to be broken so short, says, "I guess you handle a good many kinds of pills Mr. Mizery? "yes sir a pretty good many I reckon" replied uncle Fuller. "Well said Ed, if you try every kind of pill you keep before buying it, I guess you are too busy to look at my new line of cigars." Uncle Fuller paid for the drinks.

You invite disappointment when you experiment. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are pleasant, easy, thorough little pills. They cure constipation and sick headache just as sure as you take them. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Ladies———Please
Wait and see our line of dress we have best. Suitable triming to match. Morgan Bros.

DEATH.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kroell had th misfortune to loose their baby Wednesday morning. The News extende sympathy to the bereaved family,

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has the largest sale of any salve in the world. This fact and its merit has led dishonest people to attempt to counterfeit it. Look out for the man who attempts to deceive you when you call for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. F. F. Crowe & Co.

Mr. S. F. Lenard has made a contract witn the Higginbotham Lumber Co. to keep the books and log the mill. We wish him much success.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Torbert have moved here to take charge of the Dormintory.

Miss Woodward, of Pontotoc Miss. is visiting Rev. P. L. Abernathy.

Dr. Crowe went to Talladega to attend the Populist congressional convention Wednesday.

Mr. I. J. Dunklin, of Greenville Miss. has excepted a position as assistant Druggist at W. B. McCluney. Mr. Dunklin is an expert in his line having been in the drug business for a number of years.

NOTICE.

I would like to swap or sell 80 acres of land for 20 acres of land with a good house on it. Said land is four miles from Montevallo, in a good neighborhood, and near two churches. There are 35 acres cleared and 45 in timber, all lying level. There is lasting water on the place. Within one-half mile of Dogwood station. For further particulars, apply at the New office, or address J. A. Roebuck. Montevallo, Ala.

Subscribe for the News.

What the fellow that don't advertise think of Morgan.

I sit at my door day by day,
And watch the folks at Morgans;
They come and they go
Like the flakes of the snow,
While I sit at my door
All alone.

I think I'll step down to Morgans,
And ask how he makes business pay
His goods go like hot cakes,
And great profits he makes,
While I sit at my door
All alone.

Now this is the tale that he tells—
His goods so quickly he sells,
Because he is wise,
And does well advertise,
While I sit at my door
All alone.

I shall try this wonderful cure,
There are customers still to secure.
Then like Morgan,
Fair or foul be the day,
I'll not sit at my door
All alone.

All aboard for success!
Quick time most surprising
Is made on the train
Of Good Advertising.

For broken surfaces, sores, insect bites, burns, skin diseases, and especially piles, there is one reliable remedy, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. When you call for DeWitt's don't accept counterfeits or frauds. You will not be disappointed with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. F. F. Crowe & Co.

TAPS

Over the hills, where the sun went down
In a dying glory of red and gold,
Was a swath of crimson, where death had mown
His grist in the chapparal—stiff and cold—
Grand physiques for the grave's dank mould—
Ah, that the grave should such enfold!
The reaper hath reaped what the sword hath sown,
And will hold till the scroll of time be rolled!

Over the hills that they stormed that day,
Man and man like a solid wall,
Knowing no thought but the one, "obey,"
Following orders, that is all—
While the gaps close up as the heroes fall,
And the black smoke curls like a funeral pall
Over the dead that shall live for aye,
Though they sleep till the reveille's waking call.

Dotting the hills where the fight was won,
Poor rude mounds where the dead men sleep;
Hot is the glare of the tropic sun,
But cold they lie in their slumber deep,
Knowing not of the ones who weep,
Heedless of fame that their names shall reap,
Resting awhile after work is done,
Till the sunbeams glint where the shadows creep.

—New York Sun.

How Bingham Missed His Chance

"You are working too hard, old man," said Jack Bingham's friends, one after another, as they saw his ruddy cheeks turn pale, his springy, elastic tread become dull and dragging, and heard less and less often his cheery if not exactly tuneful whistle.

But to all their good advice and earnest protests Jack turned a deaf ear, smiled a little, and kept at his tasks the steadier.

None of his friends properly appreciated Jack's unusual devotion to labor, for none of them knew its incentive—that he was in love. She was a dainty little thing, always admired by men and rather looked down upon and at the same time envied by her own sex; at home the pet of her parents and in society an imperious and exacting young belle. Just the kind of girl, in short, with whom it was the height of folly for Jack to be in love, and consequently the object of the most ardent adoration on his part.

Preserving a measure of clear-headedness even in his worship, Jack plainly realized that as the head of a household where economy was necessary his idol would prove a melancholy failure. Resolving, therefore, to earn enough money to prevent her from worrying as to ways and means, he worked early and late, steadily and hopefully. The copy he turned out was good in spite of its volume; his regular salary from his paper was increased, together with his duties; and his income from outside work reached an astonishing figure.

Still, the money did not come fast enough to suit the impatient lover, who thereupon began to worry and fret. Now the man who works with his brain sixteen hours a day, and worries and frets in addition, has not a long career of usefulness before him, be his motives what they may.

Jack's eyes gave way first. Specks and blurs floated in them, and through them jumped pains that drew his head down on his folded arms in spite of himself. His feet and hands grew heavy, as if his blood had turned to lead. Six months before he had gone up or down the office stairs in three jumps. Now they seemed to grow longer every day, and often he stopped half way with a queer little catch in his side. Presently the pain that gnawed at the back of his eyeballs refused to yield even to sleep. Then Jack grew afraid, but did not let his fear keep him from his work.

He was not sure of himself in those days, and adopted the precaution of reading over aloud whatever of importance he had written. One day it came about that as he read, his tongue seemed suddenly swollen and useless, and he could not utter the words his mind framed. He turned to his typewriter and placed, as he thought, the heading he desired on the article he had written but could not read.

When the foreman in the composing room saw "The Love of Ethel" introducing a column of interviews on the tariff, he laughed at first, and then, remembering Jack's looks of late, grew grave. Soon he made a pretext for consulting Jack—but not about the tariff article—and saw in a moment that the mischief was not caused by whiskey.

Soon the managing editor came and Jack was led away to a cab, babbling thickly about Ethel, his work and the money he had saved; money that proved a godsend in the long months that followed. For Jack was an orphan, his friends were careless, happy go-lucky bohemians, and brain fever is an illness that demands the most skillful of physicians and the most careful of nurses. So when Jack came to himself again, very pale and thin and quiet, he knew that his precious store must be drained low.

That troubled him little, however, compared with his torturing doubt of Ethel. Why did he not hear from her? Why did not she come to him now that he was so much better? The kindly doctor had noticed Jack's trouble; by a quiet inquiry had discovered what probably lay at the bottom of it; and so had an answe ready for Jack when the latter screwed up his courage to ask for Ethel. She had been as ill as he, they told him, and like him was now slowly but surely recovering. And Jack must not worry about her in the least, for the doctor would bring him news from her every day.

So Jack kept obediently quiet among his pillows, listening intently for the doctor's footsteps, and flushing like a girl when the news was good, as, somehow, it always was. One day the brown-eyed nurse brought him a great bunch of roses, bought at the price of her week's salary, and told him that Ethel had sent them. When she saw how Jack buried his face in the roses and kissed their petals lingeringly, as if they were Ethel's lips, a wave of angry hate surged in the nurse's heart for the girl who could play with such a love, forget it and forsake it. The wave, receding, left its traces in the trembling of the cool white hands that smoothed so deftly his hot pillows and brushed so gently his thick, wavy hair.

But not a word escaped her lips, and Jack's evil day might have been put off indefinitely had it not been for Evans, the blunderer. When Jack grew well enough to see his friends for a few minutes at a time Evans was one of the first to call, and with his usual ill luck plunged directly into condolences. Jack did not quite understand at first, but Evans, floundering ahead, soon made it clear to the invalid that Ethel had not been ill; but that, on the contrary, while the issue of his illness had been still doubtful, she had thrown him over and had announced her engagement to another.

After that Jack went back into the valley of the shadow and knocked at the very gates of death. But the doctor and the nurse, working desperately together, pulled him away and led him back into a gray sort of lightless life. Whereat he was not so grateful as he ought to have been. And when he found that he must get well, whether he would or no, he announced that he was going back to work at once. The doctor remonstrated, commanded, begged, in vain, and the shy pleadings of the nurse had no effect.

Back he crept to his old haunts, a thin, pale ghost of his former self. The young fellows who were doing his work looked at him with a pity that was akin to fear and asked themselves: "Shall we, too, come to that?" For they thought that work had caused his illness, and that illness had made him what he was.

His old desk had long since been in the possession of another, but the proprietor, when Jack asked for a place, gave orders at once that he should be employed at whatever he was able to do. The managing editor, eyeing him dubiously, but recalling the brilliance that had once been his, turned him over to the city editor. And the city editor, whom Jack had had instructed in the rudiments, did not forget the debt he owed, but placed "Bingham" opposite the easiest assignments in his book until the staff would have risen in open revolt had the object of this favoritism been any one else.

As it was, Jack himself was the first to complain. Banquets and balls, receptions and races, lectures, sermons and interviews, quickly cloyed the appetitie of the newspaper man who had been used to the strong meat of journalism for his daily diet.

"Give me something with blood in it," Jack said to the city editor one day. "I'm tired of this woman's work. When I was on earth before they were not afraid to send me out after big stories once in a while."

"It's for you we're afraid and not for the story, Jack, and you know it," expostulated the man on the city desk. "Even the Kid believes that no man on the paper can work up a sensation with you. But you're not strong enough yet for a rough job, Jack. Look in the glass and see for yourself. Just take it easy for a while longer, old man, and trust us to work you hard enough by-and-by to make up."

The "story with blood in it" came sooner than any one expected. The very next night Jack chanced to be alone in the reporters' room when the city editor came to the door and cast a worried glance around.

"No one else here, Jack?" he asked. "Then you will have to go. I hate to send you, for it's a hard trip, but we'll help you out all we can. They have just telephoned me from the union station that there's a big smash at Mad River. A wreck train will go out in ten minutes. Catch it on your life. Rush in a first story for an extra and then plan to do the introduction for the later editions. I'll get more men out to you just as soon as possible. They will report to you and you can lay out the work for them. You know what to do better than I can tell you. There's a cab at the door. And take as much care of yourself as you can."

Before the last words were out of the city editor's mouth Jack was half way down the stairs, pulling on his overcoat as he went. His nerves were tingling with that subtle elation of conflict which newspaper men know as well as do soldiers on the verge of battle and sportsmen in sight of big game. He whistled under his breath as the nighthawk cab jolted and jounced him over the stones to the station, and when no other reporter appeared to claim a place on the wreck train he even hummed a tune, something he had not done for months.

As the train rushed along through the night Jack learned all that the railroad men could tell him of the disaster. An extra freight and a through express had collided on a curved embankment which skirted the banks of a river. In the strong light of a summer day the landscape was a picture of beauty; the long sweep of the black tracks through the green valley and by their side the clear water of the stream rippling over bright, yellow sands.

The scene Jack looked upon that winter's night was as fascinating in its wierd horror as was that of summer in its vivid coloring. Out of a clouded sky the moon struggled in vain to pierce the heavy, snow-laden darkness. Upon the track and tumbled on either side engines and cars were piled in huge, formless heaps. Stifled shrieks and screams sounded from the depths of the black masses. Here and there the gleaming lanterns of the trainmen darted like will-'o-the-wisps, frequently converging upon one point, where lay a torch-guarded row of the dead.

Suddenly, while Jack strained his eyes to pierce the gloom, a little tongue of flame leaped into the darkness.

"The wreck's afire!" cried the railroad man at his side, and there came as if in answer from the chaos a shrill cry of forture.

The fire, leaping from point to point, licked greedily at the dry wood of the splintered cars, and again the piercing shriek made Jack shiver in spite of himself.

Clambering over the mass of wreckage in the direction from which the screams seemed to come, he found, almost at the bottom of the great pile, a woman, saved from instant death by a freak of fate, but pinned down and cramped until movement was impossible. She had swooned at the crash of the collision, apparently, and had been brought back to consciousness by the heat of the advancing flames.

One glance and Jack knew the face. "Ethel!"

He reeled as he cried the name and the woman shrank back even towards death at the sound of his voice. In a moment the weakness passed and he attacked the imprisoning pile. Help came from all directions and slowly a way of escape was opened.

But the flames swept swiftly on, scorching the girl's delicate flesh, charring her golden hair and dragging from her shrieks of pain that tore the hearts of those who heard them. Jack's feverish strength increased with each recurring cry, and he pulled and lifted with a power that amazed his helpers and himself.

At last he reached her, held her in his arms for a single moment, then passed her back to willing hands. On the instant a piece of iron, its supports burned away, dropped from the overhanging pile and felled him in his tracks. They thought he was dead when, senseless, he was rescued. But presently, in an improvised farmhouse hospital, he came back to consciousness to find a flood of pale-gold hair covering his face, to feel the warm kiss of full lips on his bloodless ones and to hear a sweet voice say,—

"Jack! My Jack! It is Ethel. Don't you know me?"

If Jack had been physically stronger perhaps the barriers which long months of bitter contempt had raised would not have been so easily swept away. But as it was he whispered, "My darling," and raised one arm weakly to fold about her neck. Afterwards he was very glad that he did, for the truth came out little by little; he learned that the fault was not Ethel's but her matchmaking mamma's, and that in the girl's own heart he had never been supplanted.

It was some months later, when Jack returned, hale and hearty, and with new hope in his soul, to his work, that the city editor said,—

"Too bad you had to miss your chance at the Mad River wreck, old man."

"Chance? What chance?" asked Jack, bewildered.

"Why, don't you remember that you were the only newspaper man on the spot? If you hadn't got knocked out we should have had the scoop of the year."

"By Jove! That's so," said Jack, regretfully. "And I had quite forgotten it."

At about the same time the doctor was saying to the brown-eyed nurse,—

"What a chance Bingham missed!"

"Chance for what?" she asked.

"For getting even with that girl, of course. Instead of forgiving and forgetting, he ought to have turned his back on her and married you. He owed a great deal to you and he knew it."

The nurse moved quickly away, but not until the doctor had seen that the brown eyes filled with tears at his words. He had learned what he wished to know, but there was a pain in his own heart because of it.—Waverley Magazine.

In each wing of the ostrich twenty-six long white plumes grow to maturity in eight months. In the male these are pure white, while those of the female shade to ecru or gray.

FOR THE YOUNG FOLKS.

HUM-UM-UM.

Said little brown Bee to big brown Bee:
"Oh! hurry here and see, and see,
The loveliest rose—the loveliest rose
That in the garden grows, grows, grows,
Hum-um-um—hum-um-um,"
Said little brown Bee to big brown Bee.

Said little brown Bee to big brown Bee:
"Much honey must be here, and we
Should beg a portion while we may,
For soon more bees will come this way,
Hum-um-um—hum-um-um,"
Said little brown Bee to big brown Bee.

Said big brown Bee to little brown Bee:
"The rose is not for me, for me,
Though she is lovelier by far
Than many other flowers are.
Hum-um-um—hum-um-um,"
Said big brown Bee to little brown Bee.

Said big brown Bee to little brown Bee:
"No honey-cup has she, has she,
But many cups, all brimming over,
Has yonder little purple clover,
And that's the flower for me, for me.
Hum-um-um—hum-um-um,"
Said big brown Bee to little brown Bee.

—[Margaret Eytinge.

THE LOST WINGLESS BIRD.

A generation or two ago travelers in the Arctic Sea used to find great flocks of ungainly birds, with practically no wings, standing like watchmen along the rocky shores. The birds, some of which were over three feet high, had webbed feet and very short legs, and were almost helpless while on shore, but once in water they swam with wonderful rapidity using the stubby wings that were of no service for flying, and cutting through water with the smoothness of a ship under every sail. These monster black birds, with their huge beaks and white, downy breasts, were the great auks, now extinct, for they were so easily overpowered that sailors and the native of the localities used to kill them with clubs by the thousands.

There is a story that the last living, great auk was seen about fifty years ago by the natives of St. Kilda. Some of them captured the then unknown creature after a hard struggle and took it to a town, where the "island Parliament" was sitting. The bird was tethered for the night and the next morning the parliament deliberated upon its fate, finally deciding that it was a creature of evil omen and should be stoned to death. This was done accordingly, and months after the natives had learned that they had killed a harmless bird that could have been sold for perhaps $2,000 to any museum in Europe.

A PRINCESS AND A PUDDING.

Little Princess Ena, daughter of Princess Beatrice of Battenberg and granddaughter of Queen Victoria, is a young miss with a will of her own, as well as a little temper. As a vent for the latter she once upon a time kicked the footman's shins at luncheon. The pudding was the cause of rebellion—possibly it was the Queen's favorite semolina pudding. At any rate, her majesty was at the table and objected, with grandmotherly solicitude, to a second helping for the Princess Ena, whereupon her young royal highness kicked the footman. She was detected in the act and bidden by her mamma to withdraw from the room. Upon reaching the door she turned around and, fixing her eyes upon her grandmother, startled that old lady with the shocking remark:

"Well, I don't care, anyway, and you're a horrid, fussy old thing, anyhow."

Seeking the seclusion of a remote apartment, she happened upon her brother's tutor, an amiable young man, who was somewhat amused after a time—which he had spent in entertaining the young lady with agreeable conversation and not aware that she was in disgrace—with her remark that she liked him very much, "and you are the only person in the house who understands me."

WHAT SPOILS THE SWEET TOOTH.

A little boy who is quite well acquainted with the man who keeps a grocery on North State street, happened to be in there the other day when the grocer was weighing out sugar. The white, glistening stuff appealed to the little fellow's sweet tooth and he asked for a lump of sugar.

"The grocer laughed. "The idea," he said. "You mustn't eat it. It will rot your teeth."

"Why?" asked the boy. He had been told such things many times before, and many times before had he asked "why," but never had he received a satisfactory answer.

"Oh," replied the grocer vaguely, "because it will. All sweet things break the enamel on your teeth and rot them."

Then the boy arose in the might of his injured pride. "I don't see," said he, "how that can be. Sweet things oughtn't hurt any more than sour things, or bitter things, or not so much, in fact."

And the little chap was right. But he didn't know it, nor the grocer didn't know it. Consequently, it is just as well to enlighten them and at the same time correct the generally prevailing erroneous impression. Sugar, and other sweet things in themselves do not hurt the teeth—that is, it is not the quality of sweetness that is injurious, but the fine, sandy particles that abound even in the most highly refined sugar. These scratch against the teeth and break the enamel, but the innocent sweetness gets the credit for all the damage.

DOLL PINCUSHIONS FOR THE SOLDIERS.

A little girl who had no pennies to give and wanted to make something for the fair given in her town "to help the soldiers" contributed a very odd and pretty trifle in the shape of a doll pincushion. As there may be other little girls anxious to help the soldiers who are minus pennies and ideas, a description of the pincushion may be of use.

Dollie, who was a very small wooden jointed one, measured just two inches high. The skirt, which formed the pincushion, consisted of four pieces of black cloth, each shaped like the quarter of a circle. These were pinked out at the lower edge, and the pieces, after being sewed together separately, were all joined together. In front there was a similar piece of scarlet cloth, which, like the two black quarters on either side, had a leaf shaped design worked on in white transparent beads.

The little cape which dollie wore was also red, with the edge and front prettily finished with loops of beads, which trimmed the tiny red cap glued on to Miss Dollie's head, and also made the necklace which she wore. Any little girl with a few patterns of cloth and some beads can make a similar pincushion or even a pen-wiper with just a hint or two from mother.

A SEA CANDLE.

In these days of gas and electric lights it seems very strange to hear of burning whale-oil in lamps or even to use petroleum, but an actual candle that grows in the sea, and is alive, too, is still more strange.

This candle is the fattest of fat little fish, and it is found in the northern seas, the very region where it is most needed. It is quite ornamental by moonlight, and glitters like pearls in the water because of its shiny armor. The Indians of Russian America and Vancouver Island catch the little fish—which are about as large as smelts—with immense rakes, having teeth made of bone or sharp-pointed nails, and every time the rake is swept in one fish at least, and sometimes three or four will be found fast on each tooth.

To make them into candles the women take a long wooden needle, and thread it with a piece of rush pith, which is drawn through the fish from head to tail. When this wick is lighted the fish burns steadily in its rough candlestick—only a bit of wood split at one end to hold the candle—and gives a light bright enough to read by. It is not very probable, though, that the natives use many of them for this purpose.

Large quantities of these useful little fish are turned into oil—but not to be burned in lamps. It is the favorite supply of winter food, and helps to keep out the terrible cold of those long northern winters. When Mrs. Indian has oil-making on hand the children probably find it worse than washing day or cleaning house, and are glad enough to take their little bows and arrows or spears and go off until things are quiet again around the lodge.

First the squaw makes five or six large fires, and throws a number of large, round pebbles into each to be heated very hot. Four large square boxes of pine-wood are ready by each fire, and in every box she piles a layer of fish, which she covers with cold water, and then puts in five or six of the heated stones. When the smoke has cleared away small pieces of wood are laid on the stones, then more fish, water, stones and wood, until the box is filled. The liquid from this box is used for the next one in place of water, and the floating oil is then skimmed off from the surface. This oil is put into bottles which are also found in the sea. An immense seaweed with hollow stalks that widen like a flask at the root is gathered for this purpose, and each bottle will hold nearly a quart of oil. Candle-fish is the every-day name of the oil-giver, but on great occasions it is Salmo pacificus.

The Traits of the Kitten.

All the cat's habits show it to be by nature a solitary animal, says Louis Robinson in "Wild Traits in Tame Animals." Even in early life, when family ties bring out the instinct of association, this is apparent. If you compare the play of puppies with that of kittens you will find in one case that companionship of some kind is an essential, for if a puppy has no playmate of his own species he will always try to make one of the nearest biped; whereas a cork or a bit of string is all that is necessary to satisfy the requirements of the kitten. The way in which the cat takes its food is a sure sign that in its natural state it is not in the habit of associating with greedy companions.

When given something to eat it first carefully smells the morsel, then takes it in a deliberate and gingerly way, and sits down to finish it at leisure. There is none of that inclination to snatch hastily at any food held before it which we observe even in well-trained dogs, nor does a cat seem in any hurry to stow its goods in the one place where thieving rivals cannot interfere with them. Indeed, no greater contrast in natural table manners can be observed anywhere than when we turn from the kennel or the pigsty and watch the dainty way in which a cat takes its meals. That a cat allows people to approach it while it is feeding without showing jealousy proves that it does not attribute to human beings like tastes with its own.

New York Charities.

No city in the world approaches New York in doing good to the poor and needy. The benevolent contributions, public and private, of which any record is kept, aggregate between $10,000,000 and $15,000,000 annually in Manhattan Borough alone. The private charitable institutions in old New York represent a real estate valuation of nearly $40,000,000. Our hospitals have reached the astonishing number of 101, many of the institutions being housed in palatial buildings equipped with every modern device for the amelioration of the condition of inmates, while there are 189 other establishments provided with departments for the relief and care of the sick. We have hospitals under the patronage of several religious denominations, yet all freely admit patients regardless of class, color, creed or previous condition of servitude. Many wealthy people prefer hospitals to their own homes as places of refuge during serious illnesses, recognizing the numerous advantages in medical service and attendance.—New York Press.

ALLIGATORS PLAYING PYRAMID.

Rules of the Game as They Appear to an Outsider Watching the Sport.

Did you ever see the alligators at a Zoo play "pyramid" or any other of their famous games? They wrestle like old-time Graeco-Roman boys, and strain and struggle in all sorts of ways at it. When, finally, one wins by getting the other on his back, a funnier thing occurs. The victor makes a sound like escaping steam, then the others make sounds like escaping steam—alligators' applause, if you please. Then they all become still and watch the vanquished brother squirm to get off of his back and onto his legs again. If he's longer in doing it than the gang think is proper they move up in single file and give him a jab with their jaw in his upturned body. When finally he gets hmself righted all hands again set up the steam escaping racket, cheering him long and as loud as they did his victor. Their meaning no fight is shown by their never hurting each other.

A great midsummer pastime of the alligators in the Zoo at Cincinnati is playing pyramid. The 'gators play pyramid several times a day. To see it done you'd declare that the ugly things had been trained to it. But no. It's just one of the ways of the sporty side of their life. The game comes on by one of the bigger alligators uttering the steam hissing noise. This calls the others to attention. Then the big ones says a line or two of alligator talk and stretches himself full length in the center of the pen. No sooner is this done than a little bit smaller alligator crawls on top of the other and stretches out lengthwise, but head to tail with the other. The second one being settled, a third, a little smaller alligator, climbs on top of the second and settles down as the second one did. They keep this up until six or seven have builded themselves into as strange a pyramid as ever an eye beheld. After each one has settled on top of the other he lies perfectly motionless, so that when the pyramid is completed it appears as same marvelous carving.

But this effect lasts only about two minutes after the pyramid is finished. Then comes a new chapter of the act. The Sandow 'gator underneath all starts to crawling. He heads for up and down places in the pen, the game clearly being to see how long it will take him to jolt his strange pyramid load to pieces. And right here develops what appears to be a strict rule of the game. Say there are seven in the pyramid, and the sixth from the bottom jostles off first, taking, of course, the seventh one with him. You'd naturally think the game done for that sixth and seventh alligator. But not at all. It seems that the sixth one is in disgrace for having been shaken off before the seventh one, who was top of the heap. Therefore, what does the seventh do but cling to the back of the sixth, after they have fallen off, and proceeds to ride Mr. Alligator No. 6 around the pen until Mr. Sandow Alligator has succeeded in dumping the whole shooting match. If the fourth is shaken off before the fifth, the fifth like the seventh, proceeds to ride his disgraced "next" until Sandow gets rid of all his load and another game is started.

It is claimed for the Washington Artillery of New Orleans, La., which was organized in 1846, that it is the oldest artillery organization in the United States. It was the first in the South to tender its services to the Government in the war with Mexico, and on the day after acceptance it was ready. It now is composed of five batteries, with a total membership of about 350 men.

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An Elderly Lady.

An elderly lady living at Fordham Heights, a part of New York City, and who was known to be a warm advocate of Ripans Tabules for any case of liver trouble or indigestion, said to a reporter who visited her for the purpose of learning the particulars of her case: "I had always employed a physician and did so on the last occasion I had for one, but at that time obtained no beneficial results. I had never had any faith in patent medicines, but having seen Ripans Tabules recommended very highly in the New York *Herald* concluded to give them a trial, and found they were just what my case demanded. I have never employed a physician since, and that means a saving of $2 a call. A dollar's worth of Ripans Tabules lasts me a month, and I would not be without them now if it were my last dollar." At the time of this interview there were present two daughters who specially objected to their mother giving a testimonial which should parade her name in the newspapers, but to do this the elder lady argued: "There may be other cases just like mine, and I am sure I take great pleasure in recommending the Tabules to any one afflicted as I was. If the telling about my case in the papers enables some other person similarly affected to be as greatly benefited as I have been, I see no objection." The daughters, knowing how earnestly she felt about the benefit she had received, decided she was quite right.

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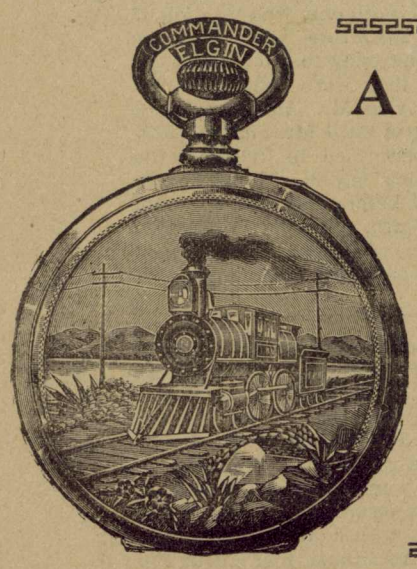

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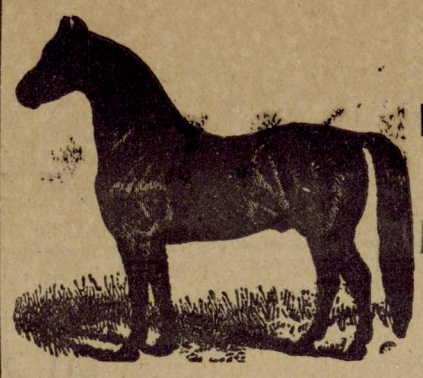

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JACKY ON SHIPBOARD.

His Hammock is a Portable Folding Bed of the Most Improved Kind.

"Jacky," as the sailor-man is called, does not have to provide either his own bed-linen nor his own food. He does not provide bed-linen, because it is a luxury for which he has no use, and, even if he had, he would not know where to put his linen when he was not sleeping upon it. Jacky's bed is a hammock, and is a folding, portable bed of the most improved kind. People who swing hammocks on verandas in the summer know nothing whatever about Jacky's style of bed. His is made of an oblong piece of stout canvas, fitted with eye-holes in the ends. In the eye-holes are made fast small ropes, called "clews," and these are lashed at their outer ends to a ring. When Jacky's folding-bed is open for use it hangs by these rings from hammock-hooks fitted to the beams under the decks. Jacky has a mattress and a blanket in his bed, and he has to keep them there. When he "turns out," as getting up is called, he rolls his hammock up on its longest axis, and lashes it with a rope provided for that purpose. There must be seven turns in the lashing, with one exactly in the middle. The clews are tucked in under the lashing. Jacky is allowed about ten minutes to turn out and lash his hammock. Then he goes up on the spar deck and hands his hammock to one of the stowers, who drops it into the nettings. The "nettings" are simply troughs in the ship's rail. A tarpaulin is hauled over the hammocks and laced down to keep the rain out, and there they stay till they are served out again at night. In the meantime, if Jacky desires to sleep, and in war times he does very often need a nap, he must perforce seek the gentle caresses of a steel battle-hatch or an oily alleyway, where cooks and marines do break in and coal-passers corrupt. But a paternal Government provides the hammock for Jacky, and also allows him the use of the deck.—From "A Warship Community," by W. J. Henderson, in Scribner's.

Frightened Into Health.

Fear is sometimes curative, although vastly less so than the opposite emotions of joy and hopeful expectation. Dr. Tuke reports the case of a man suffering from rheumatic fever who was instantly cured by the shock and fright of a railway accident. Sharp relates a similar history. Hysterical paralysis has been cured by sudden fright, although such occurrences are rarer than is generally supposed. Michea, a celebrated physician, one of the most profound in the knowledge of mental diseases, used to write insulting anonymous letters to some of his patients in order to cure them, and with good results in some hypochondriacal cases. Physicians have sometimes had recourse in hysterical cases to threats or sudden fright to check dangerous symptoms when all other remedies have proved useless. Amann tells of a hysterical patient who suffered from tetanic convulsions and trances, and whose father treated her with blows and cured her. Pansanicis relates that a youth recovered his speech in the fright caused by the sight of a lion; and Herodotus, in his history, narrates that the son of Croesus was dumb, and that at the taking of Sardes, seeing a Persian with drawn sword about to kill his father, he cried out, overcome with fright, "Kill not Croesus!" and from that moment he was able to speak.—Tit-Bits.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

There are 230 glaciers in the Alps said to be over five miles in length.

Vultures cannot discover a carcass by the sense of smell. They rely entirely upon their sight when in quest of food.

Recent researches on metallic lithium have shown that this metal cannot be distilled in either hydrogen or nitrogen gases, vigorous combination occurring in both cases.

Water turns to steam at 212 degrees, and if it suddenly vaporizes at these high temperatures in the interior of the earth, the pressures that result are nearly equal to that of gunpowder.

The number of minor planets known between Mars and Jupiter now conconsiderably exceeds 400, of which M. Charlois, of Nice, has discovered eighty-six, while Herr Palisa, the Australian astronomer, has detected eighty-three.

The origin of the gulf stream is said to be "due to the reaction of the atmospheric upon the oceanic circulation; that is, it is caused by the winds and modified by the form of the continental shores and the differences of rotational diameter of the earth between the equator and the poles."

The bottom of the Pacific, between Hawaii and California, is said to be so level that a railroad could be laid for five hundred miles without grading anywhere. This fact was discovered by the United States surveying vessel engaged in making soundings with a view of laying a cable.

An Old Family Bible.

Mrs. Billard, the daughter of the late Rev. Oldrin, who lives in Stamford, Conn., owns, probably, the oldest Bible in existence in the State. The Bible came into her possession by inheritance from her father, who was pastor of the Methodist Church here, when the Hoyt brothers, two of them, Oliver and William, famous as millionaire leather merchants in the "Swamp," New York, became members of that church. The book is in the original binding and well preserved, the Old Testament part having been printed in 1597 and the New Tastament in 1596. The covers are of wood, and the book is the size of the family Bible seen in the house of almost every New England family. Inscribed on the yellow flyleaf are the words:

"Edward Oulldron owns this book, and after his death to his son Edward Oulldron, given by his grandmother—1651."

Later on it appears that the spelling of the family name had been changed, for below the name "John Oldrin" is the inscription:

"Edward Oldrin's book, given by his father on his deathbed in the 1827, July 28, to be kept in the family."—New York Sun.

His Father Made Coffins.

A little boy named Peter at a public school saw his teacher faint and fall. In the general confusion it was hard to keep so many heads cool, and the little ones flocked round the prostrate woman and her sympathizing colleagues. But this small boy kept both his color and his coolness. Standing on a bench and raising his hand, he exclaimed: "Please, teacher, can I run home and tell father to come? He makes coffins."—New York World.

The oldest university in the world is that of Pekin, China, which has graduated 60,000 students.

"MAN WHO LOST HIS SHIP."

The Shirt Drummer's Veracious Tale of an Incident on the Road.

A New York shirt drummer tells an interesting story of an experience en route to New Orleans. Shirt drummers are regarded as exceptionally veracious men, and if this story isn't true, at least, ought to be. Anyhow, here it is: "I came via Atlanta," said the traveler, "and some little distance out of that city was lounging in the smoking compartment when in walked a tall, rather solemn-looking young man, plainly dressed and apparently bored. He sat down and opened a newspaper.

"Presently a fat, red-faced fellow, one of the breed they call genials, tried to rope him into conversation.

"'Going far?' he said.

"'To Atlanta,' the stranger replied, pretty short, but still courteous.

"'What might be your line, if I may ask?' the fat man continued.

"'My line?'

"'Yes, your business, I mean.'

"'Oh! I'm a sailor, a sea-faring man.'

"We could all see that the young man was annoyed, but the fat gent became interested at once and took a fresh start.

"'A sailor,' he repeated. 'Well, I'd never of thought it. You were an officer, I suppose, of course.'

"'Yes, sir,' said the other. 'I've been an officer.'

"'Yes, yes. I have a cousin that's a steward on the Umbria. Did you ever command a ship yourself?'

"'I did once,' answered the young man.

"'Indeed! I hope you had good luck with her.'

"'That depends upon what you call good luck.'

"'Why, you didn't lose her, did you?'

"'I did.'

"'Dear me,' said the fat man, sympathetically; 'piled her up, I suppose, as they say at sea? I've heard that a captain never gets another job when once he piles up a ship, though he may be as innocent as a babe unborn.'

"There was silence for a while. Then the fat man started again.

"'May I ask,' he said, 'if you expect to get another ship?'

"'Can't say I do,' snapped the victim.

"'Dear me, dear me? That's tough luck. By the way, what might be your name?'

"'Hobson,' said the young man."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

A Doubtful Relative.

A stern professor in a Chicago preparatory school for girls sat at his desk, trying to unravel a knotty problem, when a fluffy-haired miss of sixteen approached. "Please, sir," she began, in a tremulous voice, "will you grant me permission to go out riding with my brother this afternoon?" The old man had not forgotten the days of his youth, and, looking over his spectacles, he slowly said: "So you want to go riding with your brother, do you? By the way, is this brother of yours any relation to you?"

Odd Theft in Paris.

A theft of a peculiar nature took place in the Avenue Daumesnil. A Government office is situated in that avenue, and when the clerks came down one day they found that the safe had been broken open and official stamped paper to the value of $2500 stolen. This must be "swag" somewhat difficult to realize on, and the police are satisfied that they will catch the thieves as soon as they attempt to turn their booty into cash.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

One may smile and smile and be a villain still.—Shakespeare.

Fear nothing as much as sin, and your moral heroism is complete.—C. Simmons.

The first indication of domestic happiness is the love of one's home.—Montlosier.

Good humor is one of the best articles of dress one can wear in society.—Thackeray.

Nothing is so haughty and assuming as ignorance where self-conceit sets up to be infallible.—South.

Make yourself an honest man, and then you may be sure there is one rascal less in the world.—Carlyle.

The hours we pass with happy prospects in view are more pleasing than those crowded with fruition.—Goldsmith.

A house is never perfectly furnished for enjoyment unless there is a child in it rising three years old, and a kitten of six weeks.—Southey.

It is one of the most beautiful compensations of this life that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.—Herbert.

A man has no more right to say an uncivil thing than to act one; no more right to say a rude thing to another than to knock him down.—Johnson.

The "America's Cup" Challenger.

In view of the probability that Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock will be the next yacht to sail for the America's cup, it is expedient that we make Sir Thomas's acquaintance and try to discern what manner of man he is. The announcement came by cable, almost simultaneously with the news of the prospect of a challenge, that he had given a hundred thousand pounds to a Princess-of-Wales fund to provide cheap meals for London workingmen. We may infer from that that he has money to spare and is not adverse to spending it, provided the occasion appeals to him.

He is an Irishman by derivation, though born in Glasgow, Scotland. He laid the foundation of his fortune by selling Irish bacon to the Scotch. When Irish bacon ceased to be procurable in quantities big enough to supply the markets he found for it, he fell back on Chicago, where he has long had large interests in the pork-packing industry. His fortune is said to have been very greatly swelled by investments in Ceylon, where, after the coffee-bug had destroyed the coffee plantations, he bought a number of estates that came into the market and planted them with tea. It was an experiment, and turned out to be successful and very profitable.

Besides being rich, shrewd and benevolent, Sir Thomas is credited with being a very lively sportsman, who will make the best race that British wits and British money can provide for, and will prove in all respects a good and reasonable man to sail against.—Harper's Weekly.

Expensive Cameos.

At the sale of the Morrison cameos in London a Greek ring set with an intaglio of Bacchus from Tarsus was sold for $1150, another ring with a figure of Bacchus for $925, the signet of Asander, King of the Bosphorus, from Kertch for $2300, the Sessa ring for $725 and a fine intaglio bust of Domita for $420.

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The formal opening of the Industrial Wednesday, was well attended and highly injoyed- The Blocton Cordet Band rendered delightful music. Dr. J P Simpson made the first address which was full of good humor, commonssence and extraordinary eloquence. The next speaker was Capt. R F Kolb. The same geanial smile that has won thousrnds, was still present. He promised to do all in h power to increase the appropration for the Girls industrial. He hopes to see a thousand young ladies here in few years. Dr. Davdson, of Southside Baptist Church, of Birmingham address the audiance in that delightful style for which he is noted. The hit of the occasion was the rendation by the talented Miss. Gramberry. She is the newly elected teacher in Expression and is cetainly a model in her line. Editor Graham, of Calera Sentinel, spoke, frvoring the extention of the school facilities for girls. Mrs. Babb closed the exersise by reading a splended address. She is a woman of strong individuality and is veritable inspiration to all around her. She looks on the bright side of life and is very hopeful of the future for the Institution which produces so much for the advacemrnt of the girls of Alabama.

Our line of hats are up-to-date, see them before you buy. Morgan Bros

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In the United States Circuit and Destrict Cort, at Birmingham, the case of W. R. Weaver, Admiusstrator, against the Louisville and Nashville RR. ; a suit which grew out of the now famous Cahaba River Bridge wreck, in which Mr. Weaver lost one of his sons, was settled to the entire satisfaction of Mr. Weaver and his Attorney, our fellow townsman, Judge J. M. Reynolds. Judge Reynolds spent almost the entire week in attsdance on the Cort, looking after this case, and deserves great credit for the successfull termenation of it.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

The New goods have arrived at the New York Racket Store.

Don't light a splinter, 12 boxes of matches at Kroells for 10 cents

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BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor; preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., W. Lyman, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society meets at 4 p. m. on Monday after the second and fourth Sundays.

METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. I. INNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

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LOCAL.

Mrs. W. A. Jonnson, has moved into the C. W. Cary house.

Heiser's celebrated line of mens high grade shoes at C. L. Meroney & Co.

We want a correspondent at every Post Office in this section. Send us the news of your neighborhood.

If you want cheap building lots call on C. C. Vandergrift.

Mr. J. W. Martin moved to the Finley place this week.

☞When you want to go to the depot order Kroell's Bus.

Ward Hunnicutt, of Thorsby has accepted a position with Geo, Kroell as salesman.

Try a bottle of V.V.V. for that tired feeling. F. F. Crowe & Co. keep it

J. H Lee, one of Montevallo's efficient mechanics added his name to our subscription list this week.

Don't leave town for any length of time without having the News follow you.

Do you eat caudy, apples and bananas? Find them first class at F. F. Crowe & Co. Post Office.

Write letters on good paper. The lates styles and best qualities at F. F. Crowe & Co. Post Office.

Don't forget that Morgan Bros are the people who advertise.

J. W. Martin has just received a lot of haudsome new watches. Call and see them.

See Morgan Bros. line of carpets'

Dose your watch keep good time? If not have it examied at Martins the Jeweler.

Don't injure your eyes. Martin the Jeweler keeps spectacles suitable for school girls and all ages.

Mrs. J. T. Brown, of Birmingham, said, in renewing her subscription, that she could not do with out the News.

Mr. J. C. Dill has returned from Mississippi, where he has been in business for the last three years.

Ladies buy Krippendorf, Dittman fine shoes from C. L. Meroney & Co.

Mr. Farman, of Brierfield, is contractor forthe handsome new school buildin which is being erected by Pros. J. B Kilpatrick. The Prof. is due much credit and should be encouraged in his noble effort to establish a first class preparatory sceool here.

WANTED–To exchange a $25.00 set of furniture for a good milch cow. Call on M E. Ham at St. George Hotel, Montevallo Ala.

Have you seen that big pumpkin at F. W. Rogans? It is the largest one ever brought to Montevallo.

The young ladies of the Industaial can have their little brothers and sisters with them, if they will have them come to Montevallo and attend the Preparatory School taught by Prof. Kilpatrick.

Elegant line of dry goods at C. L. Meroney & Co.

We print this week a notice of the marriage of Miss Mary Lee Perry and Mr. P. O. West which came too late for publication in last issue. We wish for the happy pair a long life of prosperity.

Mrs. A. B. Payne has in her store honey put up in pound cases and sealed by the bees themselves. The bees are so kind to prepare the honey ready for the market. It is a curiosity, go over and look at it and you will want some bees right away.

Some re kl ss, good for nothing brainless thing, who never take pleasure but in mischief broke th street lamp in front of the hotel Monday night

Three for five. A box of toilet soap at Lathams & Co. three cakes for five cents.

Kroell sells twelve boxes of matches for ten cents.

Mr George W Allison, of Piedmont. spent several days in town this week He inters two daughters and a niece in the Industrial Mr Allison is a prosperous and inteligent man and knows how to appreciate our good school.

Use first class stationery. Buy it from F. F. Crowe & Co.

W H Cosper, leading society man of Centreville, spent several days in town this week

Have you seen the beautiful stationery at W B McCluney & Co.

Judge H. Austell, of Mobile, spent Monday in Montevallo.

Buy your fall suit, best and cheapest at C. L. Meroney & Co

Col. Spears, of Pell City, was in town this week.

Call and see the new lot of saddles and bridles at Morgan Bros.

Mr. William Meeks, of Gadsden, was in the city last Saturday. He brought a daughter to inter the Industrial.

Wanted, a position by a young man to teach music, reference furnished as to ability.

Apply to A. A. Roebuck. Aldrich, Ala.

Mr. W. F Aldrich gave the Montevallo boys a farewell ball last Friday evening. Ice cream and cake was served and the young people enjoyed themselves till two o'clock.

Place your yearly subscriptions for magazines, periodicals, etc. with W. B. McCluney & Co.

A trunk belonging to one of the incoming school girls, was carelessly left on the rail-road track and was totally demolisned by the train.

All the popular magazines periodicals and news at McCluney & Co.

FOUND–At the News Office, Montevallo, a space to let the people know what you want. Tell the public what you want and you will receive it.

Miss Kate Shuford has returned from Centreville, where she has been visiting sister for the last two weeks.

Do you know we have a news stand in Montevallo.

C. L. Meroney & Co. sell pure high grade groceries.

While waiting for a room to be fixed up for a photograph gallery, we will in the meantime call at any place or residence for the purpose of making photos of those who wish them. Please see specimins of our work at Fred Rogan's store.

Respectfully.
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LOVE PASSED BY

As in a dream I saw her where she stood,
God's sunlight on her lips and in her face.
Her brown locks rippling thro' a maze of lace,
And in her cheeks the mantling of warm blood,
And all her ways instinct with subtle grace.

I could not tell what skies were bent above,
Nor what sweet incense lingered in her train;
I only felt the burning palms of love
Laid on me, and the moaning of a dove
That fluttered in my face, with sudden pain.

And she had passed, as if no curse were born
Of all the love-light sleeping in her eyes.
The frowning day was ravished of its morn,
And onward crept from burning noon, forlorn,
Westward, enshrouded by the sobbing skies.

—Atlanta Constitution.

AFTER THIRTY YEARS.

It was a summer night in Cawnpore in the year 1857. Two lovers stood within the convenient shade of a veranda saying a long farewell—till the morrow. The stars were shining with that radiance which makes the peculiar glory of an Indian night, and the air was heavy with the scent of the champak blossom.

"Good night, my darling! I must go, and each moment only makes it harder to leave you."

"Go then! Who is keeping you?"

"You! You witch! How well you know your power. Haven't you kept me ten whole minutes when I ought to have started on my rounds ages ago?"

"I have kept you! How dare you imply such a thing? I have been longing for your departure. I—I am very sleepy," with a carefully simulated yawn and wide open mischievous eyes.

"Well, I am going. Really, this time. By-the-by, you know I cannot come till late to-morrow evening. I wish to goodness I were not adjutant. What's the use of a few extra rupees when it takes up all my time so that I never see you now?"

"Oh! what a story and what a frown! I can see it quite plainly."

"You cannot! I can only just see your white frock and the lines of your hair and that scarlet thing on your head, and—your eyes. I see them wherever I am. When the Colonel gives me an order, I stare straight over his head, till I know he thinks I have gone crazy, and I see, there—in the air—two dark brown eyes, sparkling with wickedness and shining like the stars above us now—and——"

The remainder of the speech was arrested by a little hand which was laid lightly upon his lips, and which naturally met the fate it deserved. There was complete silence in the shadow of the veranda, only broken by her soft and hurried breathing, and a slight stir as she nestled into his arms and was clasped for an instant to his breast. The syce (native groom), who was crouching near beside his master's waiting horse, raised his drowsy head and wondered if they had gone into the house again. But just then the farewell was finally accomplished, and he listened curiously to their parting words.

"Good night, Dick. Be as early as you can."

"Good night. Of course I'll be early. It will be years before I see you again."

"Be sure you recognize me then! You silly! Good night."

Master and servant turned at the gate of the garden and looked back. She had stepped out of the shadow, and it was bright enough for them to see every detail of her white muslin dress, flounced to the waist, and to catch the gleam of her uncovered neck and arms. Dick Manners even imagined that he could distinguish the curve of her dark head outlined against the scarlet bow and see the star-like shining of her eyes. He sighed as he rode away. It was so hard to leave her even for a few hours; and the heavy, clinging scent of the champak blossom oppressed him and seemed to lie as a weight uuon his heart.

It was in May, 1887, when a party of English men and women rode through the streets of the native city of Lucknow. They were going to visit the shops of the famous gold and silver workers, and were accompanied by an escort of native police for their guidance, and, though the ladies of the party scoffed at the idea, for their protection as well. The bazaar at Lucknow has too bad a name for any Englishman to care to take his womankind there without a show of force.

The streets are very narrow, and the houses have, in many cases, overhanging balconies to the upper stories, creating a feeling of oppression even in riders, who are raised above the masses of many shaded humanity with which the countless lanes and alleys are filled. The crowd was rather a silent one at that time—7 in the morning. There were cries, indeed, from the unclothed children, who fought each other, and shrill reproofs from their mothers, who, returning from the wells with brass pots balanced on their heads, had no hands with which to punish their mischievous offspring. Besides the lower caste women, whose garments were of the scantiest description, there were women of the higher class, with veiled faces and shrinking forms, who, gliding along in the shadow thrown by the overhanging roofs attracted the attention of the English ladies, and they had to have the whole system of "purdah" explained to them. Mrs. and Miss Villars were ostensibly traveling through India, but excepting for a fortnight in Bombay, and a hurried visit to Cawnpore, they had spent all their time in Lucknow. At first Mrs. Villars used to speak about once a week of the necessity of their seeing "Delhi and Benares and Agra and everything," but lately she had become silent on these points and seemed to be waiting, with the rest of the society in cantonments, for the announcement of an event which would, in all probability, give Miss Villars ample opportunity for visiting these famous cities in turn and without any need for haste!

Edith Villars was typically English in appearance, having soft, fair hair and gray-blue eyes, and with the latter she now gazed as if fascinated at the shrouded figures which passed her in an endless stream. They filled her soul with terror. She felt that each of those veils might cover some awful tragedy, a tragedy whose horror was increased ten-fold by the seal of silence and of secrecy, typified by that shrouding veil.

Suddenly she turned to her companion, a gray-haired man, strong and upright, a man in the prime of life, and whose whole appearance, from the tip of his pointed gray mustache to the tip of his polished riding boot, was as typical of the English officer as hers was of the English girl.

"Did you notice that woman, Col. Manners?" she asked.

"Which?" said he, gazing at the numbers by which they were surrounded with a natually bewildered expression.

"Just on ahead. There—now—look. The one with the pretty blue—sarry, do you call it?"

"Sari," said Col. Manners, instinctively correcting her pronunciation. "I see the woman, or rather the figure you mean; but what is there extraordinary about her?"

"Only her feet. They are white, quite white. Isn't it funny?"

"Oh, no. They often look white with the dust of the road, and, besides, some of them are fair. Perhaps that particular woman is a hillwoman—a Kashmiri, they are sometimes as fair as—no, not you—but many English girls," and he glancer admiringly at her dazzling complexion.

But her remark had evidently impressed him, and for some time he, too, watched the passing women, gazing always at their feet. And it seemed to him that there were many white, horribly white. Strange stories came to his remembrance, stories which were whispered just after the mutiny, that all the missing English women and girls had not been killed. That thought had nearly maddened him once, even now he shuddered and saw with thankfulness that they had arrived at the Chauk, the part of the bazaar where the best goldsmiths' shops are situated, and remarkable for the beantiful carving of the wooden balconies which overhang the porches where the work is carried on. The travellers were loud in their praises and comparisons with every picturesque town in Europe, giving, however, as they felt correct, the preference to this city of "the gorgeous East."

The principal police officer soon ushered them into one of the largest shops, a low-ceiled room with a mud floor, while he whispered to Col. Manners that the owner was the biggest rascal in the whole bazaar, but also the best worker, and that the English "memsahibs" would see some wonderful things. Col. Manners, who had often performed the duty of showman during his stay in Lucknow, knew exactly what to explain, and waited expectantly for the inevitable exclamations of astonishment over the fire—a few pieces of glowing charcoal in a broken earthenware pot, the very primitive bellows, worked by an almost naked, shining little boy, and the few rough and simple tools.

The proprietor was a stout man, greasy and repulsive looking, and with an air which made Col. Manners look even sterner than his wont. His words were sharp as he bade the man show his goods as quickly as possible. The ladies thought all natives alike and noticed nothing wrong with the man's leer and sly glances or the way in which he directed all his remarks and compliments to the young girl. They watched him make a few silver bangles, and bought some curious ornaments which were lying about the shop, but Mrs. Villars had set her heart upon buying a certain kind of nose ring, and there was not one to be seen. When the silver worker understood her wish he went to the back of the room, where, in the shadow, Col. Manners had seen a crouching figure, and, saying a few words in a low, harsh tone, he returned to his customers with a particularly fine nose ring, encrusted with turquoises, in his hand. Mrs. Villars was delighted, and, while she conducted her bargaining with the aid of the policeman, her daughter wandered to the back of the shop.

She was astonished to find a woman seated there, and more, that she wore the identical sari which had attracted her attention on the road. Instinctively she looked down to see the woman's feet, but the whole form was shrouded in the usual way, nothing was visible but the face, and upon that the girl gazed with a growing horror on her own. It was the face of an old woman; dark hair was parted and brought low over the forehead; there was no color in the sallow cheeks, and the eyes glittered out of bony hollows. They were wonderful eyes, the only remaining trace in that countenance of a long past beauty; but now they were awful, too, for misery and humiliation, rage and despair, glared out of their brown depths as the English girl bent over them, half fascinated, half appalled.

A voice sounded across the room:

"Come, Miss Villars, we must be going. There is more for you to see, and the sun is getting hot. And"—with a tender, half proprietary tone in his voice as he came near her—"I don't half like your being here any longer. Ah, what have you found there?"

Over the miserable eyes into which she was looking there came a sudden change. They positively darkened with an expression of the acutest agony. Was she suffering—ill? Edith bent closer, but a fierce gesture of the hidden arm forbade her kindly touch and she could not speak—the woman would not understand English. She felt relieved to know that Col. Manners was beside her, and silently pointed to the huddled form. For a few, brief seconds his clear, blue eyes met those other brown ones—those eyes, awful with the extremity of shamed despair, and filled with such longing as might burn in those of some lost soul who gazed across the impassable gulf into the kingdom of the blest.

With a deep-drawn sigh Col. Manners passed out and looked up, half unconsciously, to the dark blue sky above.

"These hovels are stifling; the charcoal fumes make them unbearable. Fancy living in one! No one but a native could!"

But, even as he spoke, he threw off the depression caused by the charcoal fumes, or that uncomfortable looking old woman in the corner, and turned to look proudly at the tall, beautiful, fair-haired girl who was already, surely, his own.

Miss Villars had not answered him. She stood hesitating on the threshold, shading her eyes from the dazzling glare before her, thinking of the blackness, the wretchedness behind her. She felt it would be long before she forgot that face; those eyes, which, to her excited imagination, seemed to be following her still. Was there not some appeal in them? She half turned as though to go back, but Col. Manners said: "This way, Miss Villars," and she stopped, ashamed of her aimless impulse.

Inside the dark and stifling shop, which Col. Manners had been so glad to leave, the woman still crouched upon the floor. She had thrown back her veil as if she needed air, and the masses of her dark, fine, waving hair were revealed. Not native hair; the very way it grew showed that. When the shade of the sari was gone her features were visible, and every curve of lips, nostrils, eyelids and throat cried out her English blood. Within her breast a torrent of misery was unsealed. It was years since she had thought, consciously thought, as she was thinking now.

But for thirty years she had not heard the voice she had heard to-day, had not seen the face upon which her eyes had hungrily rested only a few moments ago, had not dared for shame and agony to admit the thought of him into her heart, and now— All that she had borne of humiliation, ill-usage and daily, grinding tyranny throughout those weary years, was as nothing to the burning torment of those few seconds when Dick had looked down upon her without a spark of recognition in his eyes, with only a horror, which was, perhaps, the mere reflection of that within her own.

She closed her eyes. It was a summer night; she stood in a starlit garden; the scent of champak blossom was heavy on the air, and a voice was speaking from very far away: "It will be years before I see you again."

But, before the memory of the past could drive her tortured soul to madness, she was recalled suddenly to the present by another voice:

"Am I to keep thee in idleness all thy day? Rise, get thee to the preparation of the meal. Thou hast looked too long upon these white folk. Perhaps they have bewitched thee; but, remember I will have no lazy white memsahibs here!"

It was the voice of her master, and, while the sneer cut her to the heart as it had never failed to do through all the long years, the flash died out of her eyes, and, drawing the sari closely about her once more, she passed obediently to the back of the house with the slow, gliding step of a native woman.—Temple Bar.

First Submarine Torpedo Boat.

David Bushnell, of Saybrook, Conn., is said to have been the inventor of the first submarine torpedo boat, in 1775. It was of very primitive construction. The Government declined to second Bushnell in his efforts, and his own private fortune was practically wasted on the enterprise.

A Soldier's Escape.

From the Democrat-Message, Mt. Sterling, Ill.

When Richmond had fallen and the great commanders had met beneath the historic apple tree at Appomattox, the 83d Pennsylvania Volunteers, prematurely aged, clad in tatters and rags, broken in body but of dauntless spirit, swung into line for the last "grand review" and then quietly marched away to begin life's fray anew amid the hills and valleys of the Keystone State. Among the number Asa Robinson came back to the old home in Mt. Sterling, Ill., back to the fireside that he had left at the call to arms four years previous. He went away a happy, healthy farmer boy in the first flush of vigorous manhood; he came back a ghost of the self that answered to President Lincoln's call for "300,000 more."

The Soldier's Return.

To-day he is an alert, active man and tells the story of his recovery as follows:

"I was a great sufferer from sciatic rheumatism almost from the time of my discharge from the army. Most of the time I was unfitted for manual labor of any kind, and my sufferings were at all times intense. At times I was bent almost double, and got around only with the greatest difficulty. Nothing seemed to give me permanent relief until three years ago, when my attention was called to some of the wonderful cures effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I had not taken more than half a box when I noticed an improvement in my condition, and I kept on improving steadily. I took three boxes of the pills, and at the end of that time was in better condition than at any time since the close of my army service. Since then I have never been bothered with rheumatism. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People is the only remedy that ever did me any good, and to them I owe my restoration to comparative health. They are a grand remedy."

A Manifestation of English Friendship.

Can America ever forget the part the English have taken in this war? If one can forget kindness, then we can forget the English; otherwise, we must hold them in mind as steadfast friends, who have done everything to aid us without grossly violating the neutrality laws. Our ships have not been supposed to coal and provision at Kingston, Jamaica, but they have done so all the same. Here is a story showing how a friend may be blinded to our faults at times. An American cruiser was coaling at Kingston. A British cruiser was lying in port.

"What is that boat doing over there?" inquired the English captain. "I suppose it is coaling, sir," replied the first officer. "Coaling!" repeated the English captain. "That cannot be. Send a man at once to see what that boat is doing."

So a sailor was dispatched. He watches the American boat for half an hour or so, understanding a thing or two himself, and then returns. He presents himself to his captain to make a report. "Well, sir, what is that American cruiser doing?" asks the captain.

"Coaling, sir, I believe," replies the sailor.

"Believe! Don't you know what the boat is doing? You are stupid, sir. Send me a man who knows something," turning to an officer. So another sailor is called up. He is instructed to go at once and find out what the American boat is doing in the harbor. The second sailor goes away and does not hurry himself about getting back. During this time the American boat is coaled up, and when he finally makes his report, it is too late. He tries to find his captain, but the latter is buried somewhere in the recesses of his cabin. When the captain finally does come on deck the American is far out at sea.

That closes the incident.—Chicago Tribune.

Prayer with a Recess.

The little boy was on his knees in his little nightdress, saying his prayers, and his little sister couldn't resist the temptation to tickle the soles of his feet. He stood it as long as he could, and then he said: "Please, God, excuse me while I knock the stuffing out of Nellie."

HER GREATEST CRIME.

A Wierdly Fascinating, Yet Horrible Story About Cleopatra.

One of the most weirdly fascinating and yet horrible stories recorded in history is the beguiling of Harmachis, priests of the pyramids by hereditary right, by the crafty and conscienceless Cleopatra, into disclosing the secret of the gold and gems hidden upon the body of Menka-ra, one of the Pharaohs. Even the great and wise Harmachis was too weak to resist the spell cast over him by the beautiful Egyptian queen in her eloquent plea that the wars had brought her to ruin, and the gold was needed to defend Egypt from Antony, even falsely promising, in the earnestness of her desire, to wed the priest. Far into the night they talked about the ancient secret of the mighty treasures hidden beneath the mass of "Her"—now known as the Third Pyramid, and of all pyramids the most interesting. Secretly they set forth on foot, a distance of six miles, with one trusty eunoch. Reaching the city of the dead, they passed by many tombs until they stood in the shadow of "Her," which, by the aid of ropes, they entered. Passages and chambers were quickly passed when a trap door was reached, descending through which they found themselves in a small arched chamber paved and lined with great blocks of granite. There before them stood the sarcophagus of Menka-ra. Together they drew forth, with difficulty, the body, and laying it on the ground, began their grewsome and unholy task of unwinding the many cloths about it. As they unwound, gold collars and bracelets, an inlaid ax and an image of the holy Osiris fell from the wrappings. The last covering was tightly glued and, faint with the great heat and the odor of mummy dust and spices, they tremblingly ripped the linen with a knife, and stood in that extreme moment face to face with one whom no one had seen for three thousand years. Made bold by desire, they stripped the body and discovered on the left side a scar. They lifted the body, which was heavy with priceless treasures, and with her beautiful face set and terrible, Cleopatra pierced the dagger into the dead breast until it grated upon the gems inside. She plunged her hand into the opening and drew forth the most wonderful emerald, flawless and very large, on the under side of which was inscribed the name "Menka-ra, Son of the Sun." Again and again she plunged in her hand and drew from Pharaoh's breast great priceless emeralds, until one hundred and forty-eight were found. And the last time she brought forth two great pearls, such as had never been seen. So it was done. The treasure lay glittering before them—lay with the regalia of gold, the sickly scented wrappings and the torn body of the white-haired Menka-ra. Gathering the treasures and hiding them in their robes, they gave one last look at the dreadful sight and went from the tomb.

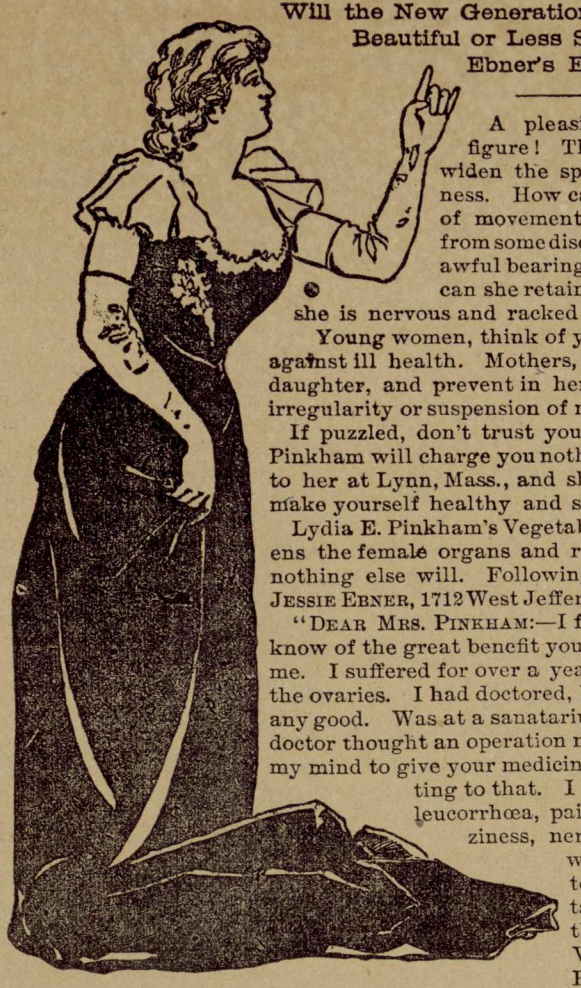
Hornets Hold a Church Spire.

Hornets have not only stopped work on a new church spire for the Wall street Methodist church at Louisville, Ky., but are likely to cause a lawsuit between the members of the church and Contractor George Lynch. Lynch contracted to build the spire, but in tearing down the old one, a nest of hornets was found. The little insects routed the workmen, several of whom had narrow escapes from death by falling to the ground when stung. Sulphur and fire were tried, but after the steeple had been set on fire once and the flames barely extinguished, this plan was abandoned. Lynch wants to finish the work but says he cannot tackle the hornets. The church people are getting very impatient and threaten to sue him.

London is much healthier in summer than in winter. In the third week of January, 2,021 deaths were notified, while in the third week of June the number was only 1,193.

MRS. PINKHAM TALKS TO THE FUTURE WOMAN.

Will the New Generation of Women be More Beautiful or Less So? Miss Jessie Ebner's Experience.



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Young women, think of your future and provide against ill health. Mothers, think of your growing daughter, and prevent in her as well as in yourself irregularity or suspension of nature's duties.

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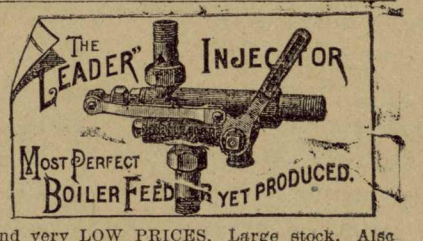

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It is often claimed that nonpartisan Journalism is an impossibility; that no paper can edited without a leaning more or less to some political parity. We claim that neutrality is not only possible but in many cases highly commendable.. We admit that political parties and their representatives, the press, are absolutely neccessary; but should all journals be political exponants? It might, with as much consistancy, be demanded that all edltors should side publicly with some religious denomination, which would be absurd. Lovers of advancement speak write and act in those lines which they think are the most conducive to that improvement. Giving every one the credit of being honest, we must see that men will disagree as to the most essential line of action. We will condemn no mans plan for he that is a Christian, patriot, a umanitarean at heart, must always leave the world better than e found it. It is the unselfish pirit that the world loves in a ublic man.

We will endeavor to work on hose lines which we conceive to e the most important.

It is only through education hat people are enabled to govrn themselves. To foster and ncourage institutions of learnig; to arouse a craving for nowledge is certainly a noble bject. Can any politician, howoever enthusiastically attached o his party find any fault with his position.? No party can now tand that does not pretend to base its principals upon truth nd right. Therefore no partisan can conscientiously object to an occasional editorial stand on a nonpartison basis.

Whiskey calculation again.

The twelfth annual report of the commissioner of labor, just issued, shows that during 1896 the amount of liquor consumed in the United States was over a billion gallons,- or about 16½ gallons fer every man, women and child in this country. We arise to remark that somebody got our share of the "booze," as we diden't drink a drop that year nor any other year. Hope the fellow enjoyed it.

Creensboro Watchman

The good old time or the good time to come never exists any where but in the imagination. The man who is waiting for circumstances to change so that he may make money easy will wait on and die in poverty. Very few of us have any hope of inhereting a fortune and even such a hope is generally a curse to the one who cherishses it. Our observation is, that most of the young men who have prospects of getting fortunes when their old mother, father, or uncle dies, usually spend their days in idleness and grow up to be good for nothing. If they happen to the bad luck of loosing the expected fortune they spend their lives as nonentities–mere hangers-on.

The political prisoners confined by the Spanish government in Havana are now being liberated. Many of them have been deprived of their liberty for several years. What a glorious thing it must be for them to breath again the fresh air and look on the blue sky and hear the birds sing once more! Oh! Liberty is the most precious gift with which man may be blessed. we do not appreciate our own glorious liberty for we can scarcely conceive what it is to be slaves. May we always be free from the domination of tyrants! any man that seeks to rule one of his fellows by any other force but pursuasion is a tyrant. A tyrant is hated by his slave always.

The great curse of the world is the mad rush after money. This feverish discontent ruins thousands of lives. But people cannot be contented by merely deciding to do so, There must be an underlying principal Other objects must take possession of one's life. A trade, a business, plied with care and honesty, usually brings sufficient funds for support to those whose brains or not fired by an ambition to shine above their fellows. To build a sublime character; to be useful to those around us; to be versed in a noble art as music, painting, or literature; to be as a sweet smelling savor to our companions: to be as a light in darkness: all these are objects worthy of the highest ambition, but carries not with them the destructive force of mere money getting.

A Georgia boy, Ellison Van Hoose has lately attracted attention as a musical genuis in London. This reminds us that the South is in a way to become distinguished as a producor of musicians. That is as it should be. Bright skyes, delightful climate, and the beautiful green and mountains are enough to inspire the soul with all the noble sentiments. Of all the arts, music is the most Devine and has a greater influence over the heart for good. We want to urge the young people of this section to devote much of their leasure in studding music. A German performer once made the statement that he never saw a musician in jail.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Shelby County.

Adelie Pope, by her next friend Alex Burr Complainant. vs. In Chancery Sixth District North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of E. S. Lyman that the Defendant Ira Pope is a Non Resident of Alabama, and resides now in the State of Kansas, but his particular place of residence in said state is to affiant unknown and futher, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendsnt is over the age of twenty — one years It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication bo made in the Montevallo News a news paper published in the city of Montevallo once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the raid Ira Pope to plead, answer or dumur to the bill of complaint in this cause, by the 24th day e October A. D. 1898, or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.

Done at office, in Columbiana, Ala. this 13th day of September A. D. 1898.

J. R. White Register.

It is stated this week by th daily press, that the plans for disarmament presented by the Czar of Russia, is quietly gaining favor in the European courts

When we first read this plan it sounded like the impractical ravings of a socialist and hundredyears ahead of the times. But now we even hope to see a great commission of peace meet in some of the large cities of the world. Dosen't it seem strange that the world might posibly wake up some morning and find itself useing its brains and laying aside steel and powder and organized murder.

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INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ITEMS.

Mrs. Mary C. Babb, Lady principal, arrived last Friday. She returnes to her work with renewed health and energy, gained by a vacation spent in a delightful town in New York, to the Niagra falls and the lakes. Mrs. Babb had the pleasure and profit of attending the Chautauqua this summer. She is a women of marked ability and has a talent in imparting her knowledge and training to her pupils. The Indurtrial School is certainly fortunate in having such a genius at the helm.

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True artistic taste has been shown in the selection of the new line of fall prints at Morgan Bros. Prices from 3½ to 5c

Miss Ella McCombs directress in art, comes to her duty much refreshed by a trip to New York and the lakes. The Industrial aught to produce some genius in painting and drawing and Miss McComb knows how to develope it. We look forward to a grand success for this department this year.

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Have you seen the beautiful and delicious candies at F. F. Crowe & Co.

Miss Elizabeth Haley, of Jasper, teacher of Latin, arrived Tuesday, happy and smiling. She is also teacher of the normal class.

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Mrs. Florence Hudson, from Greensboso, teacher of Telegraphy, is on hand to begin her years work.

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New clothing this week at Morgan Bros.

Miss. Tell Thompson is the new teacher in stenography and typewriting. She is a grsduate of Eastman's business College and her home is in Charlston West Va.

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Miss Laura Dale, teacher of piano and guitar, has returned.

Miss Leo Sanders of the deprrtment of dressmaking and needle work, from Selma, hos arrived.

Miss Louie Austin, teacher of Geology, is at her post cheerful and hopeful.

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"Don't read trash," Read the best weekly and monthly magazines, subscribe at W B McCluney & Co.

Miss Sallie Crumpton, has arrived in Montevallo from Greenville. She is teacher in voice culture.

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Miss Edna Bush, Pianist, has returned from her vacation and is ready for her work.

Msr Sallie Cothron, pianist, from Selma is on hand.

See the show windows at Meroney's, W. E. Perry, late of Birmingham is the artist

Miss Grandberry is teacher in Oritory and Physical culture, instead of Miss Annie Francis lasr year.

Go to C. L. Meroney & Co. for a perfect fitting suit of clothes.

Miss Callins, of Selma, has been elected teacher in mathematics,

Leave your laundry with F. W. Rogan every Wednesday and get it Saturday.

Miss Addie Lee, Diractress in music returns to Montevallo, the same genial, enthusiastic spirit as ever. She has been greatly missed during the vacation and receives a hearty greeting from all.

Miss Annie Kennedy, teacher in English and history, is at her post looking well and as happy as ever.

Miss Sophia Fitts, teacher in English and history, arrived from MonuttEgal, refreshed and cheerful ready to begin her years work.

Mrs. Robert Ashley, of Montgomery, came up Tuesday and entered her daughter in school. She is delighted with the Industrial, its teachers and surroundings.

The matriculation has reached about 300 and still they come on every train.

Mrs. M. B. Jones, of Montgomery, visited the Industrial Tuesday. She was accompanied by her daughter who entered school.

STRUCK DUMB.

After all there seems to be no way of deviding the strange coincidents of life from special Providential interference. No one wishes ,o be called superstitious, yet nearly every man or women, some time in their life have seemed to see the guiding hand of a master who chastises as well as blesses. The followering sketch taken from the Atlanta Constitution very remarkabl inded but shauld not deter any one from making good resolutions.

Strange fate that befell Patrick Kelly who swore he would not take another drink.

"If ever I take a drink again" said Patrick Kelly. a boiler maker, about three weeks ago, "I hope I may be struck dumb"

Yesterday afternoon at No. 126 Decater street Kelly was with some fiends and orered a drink of "good old corn wniskes."

The liquor was poured out and Kelly and his friends clinked the glasses as they prepared to drink to each other's good health.

As soon as the whiskey was swallowed Kelly turned away and walked to the rear of the saloon. One of his friends followed him and asked him a question. Kelly moved his lips, but made no reply. The question was repeated, ard again the lips moved without a sound being uttered. Seizing a pencil and a slip of paper, Kelly wrote, as his hand trembled with excitment:

"I am struck dumb."

He was wild with fright and sank upon a box in the saloon. The ambulance was sommoned and he was taken to the hospital

The physicians' at the hospital made an examination, and allthey could say was: "There has been some sort of paralysis of the tongue. The case is a strange one and we will have to watch it a while before we can say positively just what is the matter with the man.'

The affair caused much talk and those who were aware of Kelly's promice and his sudden loss of speech shook their heads and said:"It certainly looks very queer."

Kelly has been addicted to drink for anumber of years. He resides on Foundry street and earns good wages as a boiler maker. Every now and then he would get on a spree and he has been arrested by the police on the charg of drunkenness. He has many friends who alway help him out of trouble and like him in spite of his faults.

The case is more puzzeling to the physicians as Kelly is in good health.

Wedding.

On Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock the parlor of the old Perry home at Cedar Dale were made merry by the presence of a number of friends and relatives, gathered to witness the marriage of Miss Mary Lee Perry and Mr. P. O. West. Rev. C. L. Herring, a special friend of both bride and groom, afficiated and the marriage was a quiet sweet affair. The bride is the younger daughter of Mr. S. J. Perry, and by an unusally lovable disposition, and strong true charcter has drawn to herself the sincere love of many friends, who wish her every happiness in the new life.

Mr. West, a promising young business man, with many sterling qualities is to be congratulated upon the prize he has won. The bride was simply attired in a white organdy, which seemed so in keeping with her pure girl life.

A novelty of the occasion was a little booklet, prettily done in water colors, each page containing an appropriate quotation, in which the guest registered their names.

Hotel Arrivals

St. George: M. E. Ham: Proprietor.

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Nautical.

"It is remarkable that one rooster can do all that crowing." "I think the little rooster is helping him." "Oh, yes; an auxiliary crew-sir."

Proposed Alliance with England.

If the United States and England should form an alliance, the combined strength would be so great that there would be little chance for enemies to overcome us. In a like manner, when men and women keep up their bodily strength with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, there is little chance of attacks from disease. The old time remedy enriches the blood, builds up the muscles, steadies the nerves and increases the appetite. Try it.

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Ether drunkenness has become almost epidemic in Lithuania.

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The Sentinel's Orders.

When Professor Simon Newcomb, the distinguished astronomer, was at Gibraltar, he was one morning "taking the sun" in order to test the running of his chronometer, when a sentinel speedily informed him that no sights were allowed to be taken on the fortification. Professor Newcomo explained that he was taking sights on the sun, not on the fortifications. But he was inexorable; the rule was that no sights of any sort should be taken without a permit. When Professor Newcomb met Sir Fenwick Williams, of Karks, then military governor of Gibraltar, they laughed together over the incident, and Sir Fenwick said it reminded him of the case of an old lady in Punch who had to pass a surveyor in the street behind a theodolite, and begged: "Please, sir, don't shoot till I get past!"—New York World.

The Italians always carry their money together with their passports. in long tin tubes.

TO MRS. PINKHAM

From Mrs. Walter E. Budd, of Patchogue, New York.

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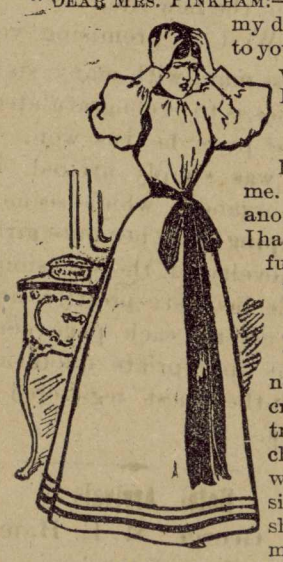

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A Descendant of Louis XVI.

Society in Holland and Belgium has been a little interested in the recent adventures of the soi-disant Prince de Bourbon, who was for some time an officer in the Dutch army. The individual in question is the grandson of the watchmaker Naundorff, who claimed to be the legitimate representative of Louis XVI., and who was acknowledged as such by King William III. of the Netherlands. The watchmaker's grandson entered the Dutch army and rose to the rank of Lieutenant, but because he had taken a dislike to his profession or for some other reason he deserted and fled to France.

There he found some persons who believed in him as the true representative of the Bourbons, and who helped him to enter business as a wine merchant. In this he was not successful, and the next news heard of him was his arrest in the streets of The Hague, where he has just been sentenced to four months' imprisonment in the fortress of Groninguen.—London Globe.

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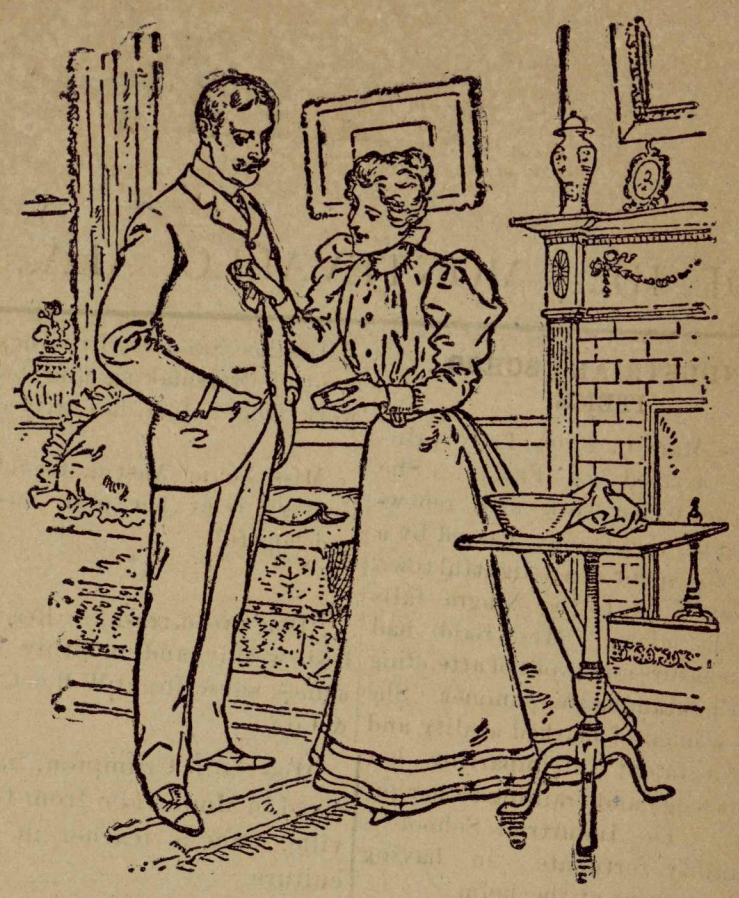

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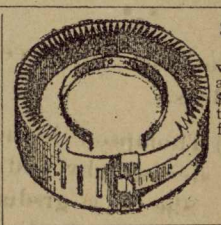

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THE NEWS.

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WITHOUT A FRIEND.

Did hear the roaring of the storm,
And see the cyclone tornado
Reap the virgin forest down?
And saw the white-Capt ocean waves
Arise like ghost from hidden graves
And break with a wail on a rock-bound shore?

Have stood upon a mountain clift,
And saw the fleecy clouds flote by
Like an azure ocean drift?
And heard the waving cedar tree
In murmurs softly speek to thee
But still withall did heaxe no sighs?

Oh! Who is satisfied to hear?
What sounds can fill the void within?
No picture to the soul can lend
One half the sweets that love can give.
companions gone! Who'd care to live
In paradise without a friend?

Thos. Freeman.

LITERARY

Articles by Home Talent.

MAGAZINE REVIEW.

In the Cosmopolitan, Prof. Peck is the authos of, by far, the most interesting artitce. The New Amrican Aristocracy, is a distinct adcitsod to the essays of the time. With very epigrammatic style he takes us through the period of Washingtonian dignity, Jeffesonian simplicity, Jacksonian vulgarity, to the present mushroom, billionair time. He should be read to be enjoyed. The essential differance betwen a ready made aristocracy and an historic one, rest in the fact that everyone recognizes the latter, while noqody recognizes the former.

Bismarck, by Prof. Sloane, in Century magazine for October, is a fine study of the great Chancellor. A point brought out, is Bismarck's profound faith – faith in God and in his own mission. As far back as 1840 he is said to have declaed he would one day make a harmonious whole out of the fragments of Germany.

In McClueres Magazine, for October, Stephen Bousal gives a splended accunt of the fall of Santiago. There was an annoying dificiency of infor-maton regaading the strength and position og the enemy round San. Juan, and this nearly, and incompetant hands would have led to our defeat, Gen. Shafter, who, hearing that reinforcements were on their way to to Santiago, decided to surround the city and to de so must take El Caney. The plan of the batile was a sfmulfamou attack on El Caney on his extreme right and on Agnadoreson on his left, this lattes bring to mark the signifecance of the attack on El Caney.

W B McCluney.

Dose your watch keep good time? If not have it examied at Martins the Jeweler.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOO.. ITEMS.

School was opened Tuesday morning by a prayer by Rev. J. Gurrn, one of Alabamas venerable Baptist ministers. He intered his grand daughter, Sallie Bert, in school.

"fell from the ceiling." A wonderful mer ca', but the proof is reliable.

Write letters on good paper. The lates styles and best qualities at F. F. Crowe & Co. Post Office.

Miss Elizabeth Haley has 84 pupils in her Latin classes.

C. C. Vandegrift keeps Imogene coal on hand, and can deliver it on short notice.

Miss McCombs, has 61 pupils in the art department. The first two weeks will be spent by the beginers in out line drawing, from plaster cast figures.

Bigest pencil tablets in America for five cents at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Did You know That

Well informed gentlemen buy Brown and Bay State shoes
Inteligent ladies purch se Kripp ndorf and Dittman shoes
M sses will hav th Muiedells shoes
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Sweet, Jucy, Sugar cured Hams 10 ct. per lb.

..Morgan :-: Bros..

Leaders in Low Prices !

Use Talcum powders and dont give but 6c a box at New York Racket Store.

Mrs. Babb's lecture to the young ladies Tuesday morning, was very suitable and timly. The subject was, "the necessity of studdying English" The remark was instigated by the request of several youug ladies, to be excused from the study of the English course. She said in part, "I have been studdying English all my life and I have not finished yet." No one can make a success in any line without a good knowledge of how to speak our language correctly.

You will find the best candies at the lowest price at the New York Racket Store.

One young lady lost her bracelets and the next morning they

The Geomentry and Trigonometry classes number 20 and 14 most of whom are senior class.

News stand opened at W. B. McCluney & Co.

Miss Kennedy and Miss Fitts are organizing the English class which will no doubt contain all the girls in school.

Cook rice right. Buy a douple rice boiler, made of granite ware, at New York Racket Store.

Mrs. Hudson is organizing her class in Telegraphy. She has 40 pupils at present.

Keep warm and dry. Buy a uew mackintosh at New York Racket Store.

Miss Addie Lee is getting the musical classes about organized.

Go to Rogans for fine candie fruits and cakes.

President says "The school is a hundaed per cent better equiped than this time last year" We have a better chore of teachers and the prospects are bright.

Don't light a splinter, 12 boxes of matches at Kroells for 10 cents

Mrs. B. M. Wade, of Montgomery' is directress of the dress making department. She has registered 215 pupils for her department. The class has begun work.

Buy a new stove, best at Morgan Bros.

President Reynolds and his two secetarys are kept busy all the time registering the new pupils. Over a dozen came in Monday.

"Pass me the cake." School girls and others who eat cake, will find something nice at the New York Racket Store. New stock next week

The new water suply system, for the college is working to perfection, so the girls have pure water from the big spring for all purposes.

Cilluloid collars 5c and cuffs for 10c at New York Racket Store

Six new class rooms and a hall 28 by 50 feet, is being rapidly completed. The hall is for the class in Physical Culture, instructed by Miss Granbery of the Emerson school of physical culture of Boston.

One gallon tin coffee pot for 10c and a 14 quart milk bucket, at New York Racket Store.

New clothing this week at Morgan Bros.

By the way

It has been suggested by some of the town that there are a few people tn Montavallo, who are not keeping their premices as clean as they might. Now, while Yellow fever and other contagious deseases are rageing in many parts of the country, it should be our ambition to keep the good health record which we enjoy, but this cannot be done unless every one will do their part to keep the place clean. There is a heavy penalty imposed by law on all those who fail to comply with the sauitary regulations; especially for poluting streams, lime is the best disenfectant and shouled be used in large quantities.

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IN THE LANE.

By Victor Grey.

Through the lane the setting sunlight
Falls in misty, golden showers,
Tinting with its shimmering lances
All the little, nodding flowers,
Shining 'mid the emerald foliage,
Where the birdies, blithely singing,
Fill the woodlands all about us
With a sweet and joyous ringing.

Don't you love this lane, my darling?
When I think of those sweet hours
We have spent within its cloisters,
'Neath its trees and 'mid its flowers,
Every blade of grass grows dearer—
Every tiny fragrant flower
Seems to bring, in swift succession,
Memories of some happy hour.

Here it was we met, my darling,
On that blissful, sunlit morning,
When the woodland's robe of emerald,
Fringed with summer's fair adorning,
Gleamed with shimmering diamond dewdrops,
And the birds were blithely trilling
Happy lays—sweet morning carols—
All the woods with rapture thrilling.

Here, within its dusky shadows,
Sauntering down the lane together,
Love around us cast his fetters—
Fetters that would bind forever.
Here it was I told my story,
And, my happy answer guessing,
Held you in my arms a moment,
Sweet, red lips the while caressing.

There we had our lovers' quarrel,
'Mid those clumps of fragrant clover;
Here it was we grew repentant—
Begged forgiveness o'er and o'er;
Then I kissed your cheeks' soft roses,
And your eyes with teardrops shining,
Not content until your ringlets
On my heart were safe reclining.

Yes, I love this lane, my darling,
With its fringe of wildwood flowers—
Love it for the joy that crowned me
In those happy, happy hours;
For, though years since then have vanished—
Youth's fair bloom is ours no longer—
Still our hearts as one are beating,
And our love each day grows stronger.

A Terrible Moment.

Yes, terrible—that is just what it was. I shall never forget it, even should I live to one of those wondrous ages at times recorded in the papers. Moreover, it was not a thing for a man to forget. Many events may slip from our mind, but never that moment when we stand on the brink of the grave, brought thither by the probability of an awful death.

It happened in this way. I had been in Australia for about five years, during which time I had amassed a tolerable fortune, when I began to long to see the old country again—a desire considerably strengthened by the fact that the girl I loved, and who had consented to be my wife, was going to England, and I could not bear the thought of such an extent of ocean between us; so I determined to go too, and let our marriage take place there.

May Brodstone was the only daughter of a well-to-do squatter, and the prettiest, nicest girl for miles round the station, though, until I had become acquainted with her, rather fond of a bit of girlish flirtation. This was the worse for me, as it turned out.

Among her many admirers was one Jacob Kiel. Dark-haired, dark-eyed, dark-complexioned, he was of that class of men who feel strongly, and who never forget an injury—like wild cats, they are nasty customers to offend. Well, May, I fear, had flirted somewhat with Jacob Kiel, who, I really believe, loved the very ground she walked on, though she declared—and I knew it was true—that she had never given him the slightest hope.

It was about this time that I appeared upon the scene; and she discovered that she had found the right man, as I had found the right girl. May Brodstone instantly gave up all her admirers, was as steady and quiet as a gun-tree when no wind blows, and finally said the "Yes" upon which my happiness depended.

Old Mr. Brodstone knew that the match would be a good one, and readily gave his consent, so that our engagement was soon made public. I was present when the news reached Jacob Kiel. I shall never forget his face. His lips were compressed, his dark eyes contracted; he looked from May to me, and I felt if he could he would do much mischief. Without a syllable he quitted the place. A strange sensation ran through me as he departed; and May told me that a cold shudder had run through her veins.

We did not see much of Kiel after this, though we knew he was often about the station on business; but the man somehow threw a kind of shadow over May's and my happiness, and we were not at all sorry when we got on board the steamer and steamed off towards Old England. We had not, however, got cleverly out of sight of land when May, giving a little cry, put her had on my arm, and, slightly nodding her head towards the lower deck, said,—

"Oh, Edward, look—he is here too!"

And so he was. Leaning quietly over the side, watching the land apparently, was Jacob Kiel—a passenger for England, like ourselves. I will own that I was considerably annoyed, though when May, drawing neaner, exclaimed, in a low, startled voice, "Edward dear, I don't know how it is, but I dread that man—I cannot divest my mind of the thought that he means us harm," I laughed, and tried to banish so absurd an idea. And certainly it appeared I had every right to do so. Save by a casual interchange of a few words, Kiel never troubled us; and we were making a capital journey, when, just as we were within twenty degrees of the line, we were struck by a hurricane which the captain declared was almost a cyclone in violence.

The vessel could not weather it. The masts crashed overboard, taking several of the crew with them, and, before the wreck could be cut adrift, a portion of the broken spars, dashing against the ship, had caused a leak below the water-line, and the cry was,—

"We are sinking! Lower the boats—the pumps are useless!"

The captain was marvellously firm and cool, and by his example made us all the same.

The boats were rapidly lowered and filled, while, thank Heaven, the storm seemed to abate. The women went first, of course, and all who proceeding well, when, just as the last boat was being filled, I remembered that in my hurry I had left my mother's miniature in my chest. There was plenty of time to fetch it, and in a second I was down in the cabin. Flinging the lid open, my hand was already upon the likneses, when I heard a foot upon the stairs. I turned, and by the dim light yet swinging from the roof perceived Jacob Kiel.

Good Heavens! The diabolical expression on his face, the fiendish malice in his dark, snake-like eyes, revealed his intention in a moment. He had come to do me some deadly harm. Leaping up, I seized my revolver, to be on my guard; but an attack was not his purpose. Before I could prevent him, he had quickly closed the cabin door, and locked it on the outside.

Like a flash of lightning all the horrors of my situation instantly flashed before me. I was a prisoner in the sinking ship! Uttering a loud shout of fury, I sprang forward; the cry was echoed by a laugh from Jacob Kiel. I heard him say, "Who will marry May Brodstone now?" and then his feet went rapidly up the stairs.

I called aloud for help; the uproar of the storm drowned my voice. I paused. Just then the wind lulled, and I heard an order to push off; the speaker was Jacob Kiel. I again shouted in my agony; but my voice and the wind rose together—I was not heard. I continued to shout like a madman, though I knew that all hope was gone—that I was alone, like a trapped rat, in the sinking ship.

Furiously I beat the door, all the while painfully conscious that rescue was impossible and death certain, for it was night, and, as no doubt the storm would separate the boats, my absence would not be discovered until the vessel had foundered.

Could I expect aught else, when in the occasional lull of the hurricane I heard the rush of the deadly waters in the hold, and felt the ship lurch more heavily each moment as she plunged in the trough of the sea? Suddenly she gave a terrific heel over, and a wave came rattling down the companion ladder like thunder, rushed under the door and inundated the cabin.

I shrieked in agony, believing that all was over—that I was to die thus, not even with the chance of battling for life.

I felt that I could meet death calmly if I were on deck, with the heavens above me; but my very hair stirred at the thought of being buried in the sea as it were in a box. Was there really no way of escape? I looked round and gave a great cry of joy, leaped forward, careless now that the water mounted higher and higher.

"Fool! Idiot!" I exclaimed. "You are your own murderer!"

My eyes had rested upon my revolver. In a second I had fired two of its barrels into the lock of the door, shivering it to atoms, and the next minute I was upon the deck—only just in time, for the vessel was settling fast. It would have settled long before, but that the storm had abated.

With a wild hope I looked for the boats. Near or far all was alike—darkness hid the waters. But, having succeeded so far, I resolved not to despair. One by one I discharged the remaining barrels of my revolver, and then plunged into the sea, to swim as far as I could from the ship before it sank, hoping that I should find some pieces of wreck. I did so before I had proceeded far—a mast, with cordage attached. This helped me; for, after lashing myself to the mast as well as I could, the waves bore me away. Suddenly, however, a fearful rush of water seized me. I was drawn rapidly back, and then down as in a whirlpool—flung, it seemed, here, there and everywhere—after which I remembered no more. When I came to, I was in one of the boats, with May Brodstone leaning over me.

It appeared that directly morning dawned the boats were called together, and the captain went over the names, when mine was found missing; upon which he had resolved to row back, and see if he could not find me, urged thereto by many of his companions, who wondered—as did not Jacob Kiel—what could have prevented my getting into one of the boats.

The sea was nearly calm, the sun shining, and their search was not difficult. They soon perceived a dark object. Approaching it, they found it to be myself, clinging like grim death to the wreck, but laughing and yelling like a maniac. In fact, I was mad, and for some time after they managed to get me into the boat I remained so; then I became calmer, though I was delirious for a whole day and night.

Directly sensibility returned I told my story, filling every one with horror, especially May Brodstone.

"I see it all!" exclaimed the captain. "The villain! Last night our boats separated in the darkness; this morning the one bearing Jacob Kiel and the worst of the crew was missing. He has either steered the boat into a different track, or paid the fellows to desert us, fearful of the punishment that might have awaited him when we touched land."

Whether this was so I do not know, for we never heard of Jacob Kiel again.

That day we were picked up by one of Green's ships, homeward bound, and in due time were landed in England, where May and I were married, and where we now reside; for my wife will not hear of crossing the ocean again, as she cannot forget—that most terrible moment of my life.

FOUGHT LIKE CLOCKWORK.

So Worked the Gunners on the Oregon in the Fight.

The Somerville (Mass.) Journal prints a letter from Ensign Charles L. Hussey of the Oregon to Fred Ela Warren, his old New Hampshire schoolmate, in which he says:

"I volunteered for duty with the prize crew on board the Cristobal Colon. It was six hours of experiences we had there, transporting her crew, (prisoners of war,) tending her wounded, and burying her dead, and all the time trying to save the ship. But she continued to make water, and finally rolled over on her side. I had the satisfaction of running up the Stars and Stripes over her quarter deck before she went down. The Colon was a fine ship, and may be saved yet.

"I have been fortunate in getting special duty that has given me an insight into most of the operations. Of course our engagement of the 3d of July stands way ahead of anything since 1863. My own station in battle is on the upper deck—in fact, on the rail, where I have a battery of ten rapid-fire guns, six-pounders.

"During the engagement the Oregon fired 1,776 rounds—note the good historical number—several of my guns firing upward of 250 rounds, and the actual battle lasted only a little over an hour. The guns were so hot from the rapid fire that the water used in sponging them out boiled in the bore.

"Only three of the enemy's shots struck us, but they played a merry tune about our ears for the first half hour; then the enemy's fire weakened. One shell struck an eight-inch turret upon which I was standing, which was quite close enough. But it was those ricocheting over our heads that made us duck—a useless operation, as you know.

"After the first ten minutes our men at the guns were like clockwork; such steadiness I had never expected to see. In fact it was the old story of quick loading and fine pointing. The Spaniards captured said that their men could not face such a shower of rapid-fire projectiles. Some even jumped overboard to save their lives.

"The question that is asked more than any other is, 'What are the feelings of being under fire?' We had had a half dozen bombardments to break us in, the one on July 2 being especially at close range, so when the fleet came out we were to a certain extent seasoned. From my position on the rail or on top of the turret I could see everything going on, but our own heavy guns made such a continuous roar, augmented by the crack! crack! of the rapid-fire guns, that it would be impossible to tell where a shell struck the ship unless a fragment came our way.

"We simply concentrated our mind on the nearest ship. She must be sunk. And then the daily drill that we have had for a year gets in motion, and it is like clockwork. Fortunately the clockwork has not had a toothed wheel knocked out yet. May it continue ever so!"

Cycles of Rainfall.

A contemporary points out that the statistics of rainfall which have been collected in various parts of England for many years past show that there is a regular recurrence of cold and wet periods every thirty-five or thirty-six years, measuring from the centers of each period. Curiously enough, other observations show the same rule to apply to many other parts of the world as well. On the assumption that these fluctuations may be depended on, the center of the next wet period should occur in the second decade of the coming century; but in the immediate future we should have a preponderance of dry periods for some years yet to follow.—New York World.

Linen colored handkerchiefs of pure linen are the latest fashion. They are more serviceable on the links, awheel, and for all outdoor use than the dainty bits of white linen usually carried by women.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Porto Ricans demonstrate their patriotism by shouting for freedom and feeding themselves.

It is a great misfortune for Spain that the war has not brought on a new set of men to the front to play parts in her politics.

In 1897 South Africa imported $1,437,534 worth of bicycles. In the civilization process the wheel seems to take precedence of the railway.

And now the impetuous young German Emperor has become a fireman. At last he has a wide open opportunity to extinguish himself.

The feminine enthusiasm over Schley surpasses that displayed toward Hobson to a degree which suggests an inclination to make a distincton between a lieutenant and an admiral.

Spain says she will "insist" on certan interpretations, etc., etc. Well. there will be several American fellows present to take a hand in the interpretation business, so let the work go on.

Dewey was satisfied to only take up both ends of the Manila episode. The Spaniards ought to congratulate themselves that he did not conclude to take a play in the middle of the game.

"The only thing we can do now," says Dupuy de Lome, speaking for Spain, "Is to repent and reform." Such things are quite possible, even to Spain, when she can't do anything else.

It will repay you now to watch how the word "protocol" will be overworked from now on in all the ordinary affairs of life. We will have protocols in family rows, in neighborhood rows and in politics.

General Augusti, of Manila, having bombastically boasted that he would hold out to the death, quietly escaped and left the odium of surrender to a subordinate. "Spanish honor" is fearfully and wonderfully made.

France has a law forbidding the slaughter of birds smaller than larks. Nevertheless, piles of such birds are offered for sale in the markets of many French cities. A movement is now under way for enforcing the law and saving the songbirds and the fields. which, it is said, they keep free from injurious insects.

Senor Vicuna, the new Chilean Minister, has signalized his arrival in Washington with the announcement that his mission is to foster the friendly and commercial relations between his own country and the United States. He could have no higher mission and it is to be hoped that he will meet with unqualified success.

It is now fully recognized that the worst blow which that most sacred of all British institutions, the peerage. has suffered during recent years is that which Mr. Hooley has inflicted by his bankruptcy court revelations. And yet there was nothing new in the general nature of his disclosures. It was known to every one acquainted with the ways of London that the use of some of the most aristocratic titles in England long has been a marketable commodity in promoting financial schemes. It is the official proclamation of the truth, more than the facts themselves, which has shocked and humiliated England.

This country is on the eve of an enormous extension of its foreign commerce. Not only does a great trade await us in Cuba and Porto Rico —to secure which ships are already sailing from all our Atlantic and Gulf ports—but ten new lines of steamers have been organized to trade with the Orient, and now an eleventh is announced from San Diego, Cal. These lines will sail some of them from the Eastern and some of them from the Western coasts. They will trade with Hawaii, China, Japan, South Africa, New Zealand, Australia, Manila, the East Indies and the Polynesian groups. Manila, in our hands, promises to become a rival of Hongkong in world-covering commerce, is the opinion of the New York World.

The Russian birth rate is so far in advance of the death rate that the increase of population has been prodigious. In 1724 there were 16,000,000 Russians; yet there were 20,000,000 in 1762; in 1796, owing to conquests by Catherine II., the population jumped to 37,000,000; conquests in Finland and Poland account for the gain of 9,000,000 shown by the census of 1809. The prodigious increase, due simply to the excess of births over deaths, began after this date. With no important change in the frontiers, the inhabitants in 1847 numbered 67,000,000, an increase of 21,000,000 in less than forty years. In 1858 Russia had 74,000,000, in 1885 108,000,000;the census of January, 1897, counted 129,000,000, and it is estimated that the present population is more than 130,000,000. The Russian people has more than sextupled since the day when Chappe prophesied its approaching end.

A curious echo of the Czar's peace communication to the powers is the European rumor that Russia's autocrat merely anticipated Germany's would-be autocrat—who, being on his travels in the Holy Land, intended to issue just such an appeal for disarmament from the Mount of Olives, when he should have reached that point. Of course, Wilhelm entertained no such purpose; but since no one can prove that he did not, the event gives him a fresh opportunity to "play to the galleries." The persistence with which this young man seeks to occupy the center of the stage, no matter who may be enacting the star part, is amusing when it is not exasperating. Some day he will be tossed over the footlights into the orchestra, with his head through the big drum and his heels kicking a vain appeal for rescue. thinks the New York Mail and Express.

The medical officer of one of the leading deaf and dumb institutions of England states that he has obtained material aid from the seemingly improbable source of a loud-speaking telephone in the treatment of his patients, in the education of such deaf mutes as possess a fragment of hearing power the telephone being found to possess many important advantages over the speaking tube usually employed. In the first place, in arranging for this purpose, the wires from several receivers can be coupled up to one transmitter, and thus a teacher can instruct a group of children at the same time; then, again, it is not necessary for a teacher to apply his mouth close to the transmitter, so that the pupils have a full view of the facial expressions and lip movement, which is not possible when having to direct his voice into the mouthpiece of a speaking-tube or trumpet. While seeing the movement of the lips, the patient has the sound conveyed close to his ear drum—a most advantageous combination.

One of the Portland, Oregon, papers lately announced the arrival at Astoria of a magnificent ocean log raft which scaled between six million and seven million feet of lumber; a raft which, if made of sawed lumber, would contain about twelve million or thirteen million feet. It was 600 feet long, with beam of fifty-three feet and drew twenty feet six inches. Of cigar shape, it was protected by a heavy plank bulkhead at each end, held in place by four steel cables of one and one-fourth inch in diameter. It was towed by a hawser sixteen inches in circumference and 150 fathoms long, connecting with a chain seventy-five fathoms in length at the end of the raft, this chain being connected with another chain running through the whole length of the raft, in this way pulling the raft together wherever the strain came on the hawser, thus tightening the raft more securely when on the ocean.

It would seem from the official report of the United States Government timber tests that to determine the difference in strength values of specimens of the same kind of wood a large number of experiments are essential. Wood being a non-homogeneous material, and extremely variable in its strength and other properties, the range of its variation in these respects is of great practical importance to builders and others. It is stated that small differences —such as a few hundred pounds in values of 10,000 pounds or more—are too small to determine the quality in general; and the fact is made apparent that mistaken conclusions as to the relative values of various wood materials have arisen from differences in data which, according to this report, might fairly be considered within the range of variability of each materal by itself. The result of the Government series of experiments in this line indicate how much uniformity may be expected in timber, and plainly show that differences of less than ten per cent. in ordinary wood testing with conifers and fifteen per cent. in hard wood may be looked for in stock of the same kind, and must be regarded as a criterion for or against the whole.

The Western states, inclusive of Alaska, which have exhibits in the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, comprise in area more than two-thirds of the whole United States. The region is as large as France, Germany, England, Scotland, Ireland, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Switzerland, Greece, Sweden, Norway. the Netherlands, Turkey in Europe, Bulgaria, Roumania, and Servia, together with Egypt and Japan, the Philippine Islands, Hawaii, and Cuba; and, in addition, you must add all of New York, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maine, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and South Carolina. According to Harper's Weekly there were living in this region a half-century ago less than two million people, exclusive of Indians, three fourths of the white inhabitants being in three states. To-day this population has been increased by over twenty millions of people.

Ivanhoe's Rebecca's Portrait.

Miss Wilhelmine Loos, daughter of the Rev. Louis Loos, of Lexington, Ky., formerly President of Kentucky University, has completed for the Foster Jewish Home and Orphan Asylum of Philadelphia, a picture of Rebecca Gratz.

When Arsanna Gratz Clay, a grandniece of Rebecca Gratz, was asked by the managers of the home to have painted a copy of the famous picture of Rebecca that hangs in the Clay homestead and which was painted by the immortal Sully, she commissioned Miss Loos to do the work. It is well done, and the members of the Gratz family agree that it is a perfect likeness of the distinguished original.

The picture was sent to Philadelphia in time for the unveiling on August 29. the anniversary of the death of Rebecca Gratz, the founder of the Foster Home. Rebecca Gratz was the lady who inspired Scott's character of Rebecca in "Ivanhoe."—Richmond Dispatch.

A Pigeon's Remarkable Flight.

A carrier pigeon owned by H. C. Worth, of San Francisco, has just made a remarkable flight. The bird was taken in a basket on the transport Australia to Manila by way of Honolulu, then back to Nagasaki, Japan, and thence to San Francisco. During the entire trip the lid of the basket was never raised. When the Australia was sixty miles from this city on her return trip the pigeon was liberated. After poising at a height of a few hundred feet it started directly for home and arrived at the loft of its owner long before the Australia had docked.—Chicago Record.

During the war the daily output of magazine rifles from the Springfield armory increased from 120 to 363.

The Italians always carry their money together with their passports. in long tin tubes.

A Philadelphia Chinaman glories in a pigtail five feet eleven inches in length.

Our Second Satellite.

If we are to credit the observations made by Dr. Georg Waltemath of Hamburg, Germany, our earth is accompanied in her wanderings, not by one satellite only, as we have hitherto been content to believe, but by two. Although it seems utterly incredible that we should have to wait till the end of the nineteenth century for the recognition of the existence of this second moon, yet we must remember that numerous observations, mostly, it is true, utterly unscientific and vague, have from time to time been made recording the passage of an unknown dark body across the sun's disc.

These observations were some short time back collated by Dr. Waltemath, and from the facts thus brought together he has evolved the theory of the existence of a small moon hitherto unrecognized, having a diameter of some 440 miles, with a volume 123 times smaller than that of the moon, and a mass eighty times less.

In announcing his theory Dr. Waltemath predicted a transit of this body across the sun's disc for a date early in February last, and curiously enough he has since had his prediction confirmed from more than one quarter. He has received letters from China, where three German officers in the Chinese service observed the phenomenon; from Weisbaden and other towns in Germany. These confirmatory observations may, of course, be mere coincidences; but wilder theories than that of Dr. Waltemath have by the advancement of science been proved to be sober facts.—London Chronicle.

A Novel Exhibit.

A novel feature of the Burlington Railway Land Department exhibit is the work of the extraordinarily clever wife of a Nebraska farmer. It includes a group of five figures seated at a dinner table and four pictures. The pictures are made of corn, corn husks, corn tassel silk, and the leaves of the silver maple, and they have been done so well that they would pass for paintings. The first scene shows the young farmer coming to the country with his ox team. The second his sod house and primitive mode of breaking the prairie. The third and fourth scenes reveal the changes which thirty years have wrought in the farmer's home and in means of transportation. The family at dinner are clothed in corn husks, and even the table cloth is woven of the husks.—Omaha Correspondence Boston Transcript.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces

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Entered at the postoffice at Montevallo, Ala., as second-class mail matter.

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Thursday. October 13, 1898

We print this week a list of beautiful and useful prizes, which we hope our readers will examine. These goods are all first class and cheap at the regular selling price.

We have about 200 subscribers who's time expires this month. We expect these old friends of the News to immediately take advantage of the prize offer and see that their names are renewed on our mailing list at once.

It is a sad thought that comes to our minds, when we look out over the beautifl hills and valleys of this fair Southland and see what God given wealth is laying idle, waiting only the master touch of man to make it grow into virtable edens, while the only force that can accomplish this work– the inteligent and energetic young men and women, are gone mad after city life and look upon the farm with perfect disdain. The country is drained of its best element and the business and professions of the cities are over crowded and thousands who might have made asuccess and lived happy are even driven to the mad house or suicide. The farmers of Alabama need more educated men and women-

Let every body who has any pride in our town and section, help us to make the Montevallo News the best weekly paper in the state. We are in the newspaper business, not so much for the money that is in it, but simply because we like to edit This is the whole truth and honestly, if our readers help us to make more money than it will take for the editor and his one companion to live on, he will put it all back in the publishing business, just simply to see things hum. If we could raise the subscription to five thousand, we would do our best to make the world think that Montevallo was the "only'ist" centre of the earth.

We have a high ideal as to what the Montevallo News aught to be and we will strive constantly to that end. We intend to make the paper more interesting and useful than it has ever been in its history. We expect to push the subscription list up to the thousand mark during the next three months.

Young man learn to do something. If your talent and opportunity directs you to a certain work, learn to do that well. The man or women who learns to do something well need never be miserable or die of hunger. The world is in need of experts. If you farm, be the best farmer in the country. Use your brain as well as your muscle. Read and study and never loose a chance to add to your knowledge on your particular line. If you are a mechanic, aspire to be an architect. If you are a clerk in a store, dont sit on the counter and look disappointed when a customer comes in, and move about as if you diden't care whether you sold any thing or not. There is one business allowed by law, and you don't have to pay licens, in which I would not advise you to become an expert in, and that is loafing for it is the most miserable existance a man can live. Soloman said that the only happiness was in the works of one's hands, and expierence has proved him right.

That movement which should inspire the dispondant soul with the brightest ray of hope, which should make one feel that the future is not all darkness, is the broad awakening to the necessity of educating the young womanhood of our land. There has always been some kind of female education but it was usually very superficial. The old idea was, to make the young lady "accomplished", which consisted on her being taught to make some kind of strange noise on a piece of rosewood furnature, called piano and shriek in a cat-like voice something sentimental, to be able to spread paint on china or canvas so that it woud resemle a pieture and to know how to look delicaet and etherial, as though a light breeze, little stronger than southern zepher, would waft her angelic form beyond the vision of our grosser natures. But thank heavens we are getting over such foolishness. We have discovered that girls are human beings "a little above the angles." We like them better for that. We want them for companions and not goddesses, therefore we are educating them to take their places beside the men, a help-meet and an inspiration. When they have talent that way, they learn to sing in a voice which reaches the heart or to make music which stirs the soul; or to paint pictures which is nature reproduced; or to cook bread that is the real staff of life, or to transact all kind of business, in a word be of some use in the world.

There will be several bills be the legislature this fall, all aiming to improAe school system of our State. No one seems toknow exactly how but all agree that something must be done. Of coarse the great question is, how shall the money be raised? Some are in favor of a special tax, others favor a general tax. Special taxes are always expensive and hard to collect and never gives satisfaction. A general raise in the taxes for all the state, will likely be the plan adopted; this method will be simple and bears on all alike. Few property holders will object to paying an extra dollar, when he knows that the mouey is going to educate the people around him. Then, there must be no option in the matter, alaw which allows a Destrict to vote to raise the taxes, will not be the best law, for the more inteligent section will have good schools and the igdorant section would not vote araise, so remain in the background uneducated.

DR. J. P. HALEY,

DENTIST,

Of Selma, Ala.

Will spend one week of every month in Montevallo. Will be at St. George Hotel, Monday, Nov. 7, 1898.

J. M. Reynolds,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

and Solisitor in Chancery.

Moutevallo. - - - Ala.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA
Shelby County.

Addie Pope, by her next friend Alex Burr Complainant. vs. Ira Pope Defendant.

In Chancery
Sixth District
North-Eastern
Chancery Division.

In this cause it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of E. S. Lyman that the Defendant Ira Pope is a Non Resident of Alabama, and resides now in the State of Kansas, but his particular place of residence in said State is to affiant unknown and futher, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendsnt is over the age of twenty — one years. It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication be made in the Montevallo News a news paper published in the city of Montevallo once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the said Ira Pope to plead, answer or dumur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 24th day of October A. D. 1898, or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.

Done at office, in Columbiana, Ala. this 13th day of September A. D. 1898.

J. B. White Register.

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METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 8:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

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LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M. —Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

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F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

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LOCAL.

B. W. Hoskins, of Aldrich, spent Saturday in Montevallo.

Ladies buy Krippendorf, Dittman fine shoes from C. L. Meroney & Co.

We met several people in Montevallo this week, who came from distant towns to trade with our merchants.

Wanted, a position by a young man to teach music, reference furnished as to ability.

Apply to A. A. Roebuck.
Aldrich, Ala.

Mrs. Bryan, accompanied by her family has moved to Birmingham to join her husband, who has a position there.

The young ladies of the Industaial can have their little brothers and sisters with them, if they will have them come to Montevallo and attend the Preparatory School taught by Prof. Kilpatrick.

Bro. Graham, of the Sentinel, of Calera, was in town Tuesday,

Three for five. A box of toilet soap at Lathams & Co. three cakes for five cents.

Col. J. B. Peasley, of Selma, spent one day in Montevallo this week.

S. H. McCauley cut four crops of Johnson grass from one piece of land, this year. This grass, when cut in the right stage, is the most profitable crop that can be grown on low, rich land.

"Don't read trash," Read the best weekly and monthly magazines, subscribe at W B McCLUNEY & Co.

Bat shooting seems to be a popular amusement these afternoons. Two of Montevallo's crack shots, went out one evening this week and baged about fifty birds. They admitted eating them.

Wonderful! Fine toilet soap at S. A. Latham's & Co. 3 cakes for five cents.

Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, of Anniston, formely of this place, has moved into the old homestead in front of our office. She is accompanied by her danghter Miss. E. S Storrs. Montevallo people are glad ta know that these estimable ladies will make their home here for some time in the future.

See the show windows at Meroney's, W. E. Perry, late of Birmingham is the artist

Mrs. Richards, of Denver Col. spent several days in Montevallo this week, visiting her son Cliftou Newton. She returned to the West Tuesday, accompanied by Mr. C. Newton. Mr Clifton will be missed in our town. All bid him God's speed and wish to see him back amoung us again sometime in the future.

Cold drinks at Rogan's

Hundreds of school girls are seen on the streets every afternoon It lends a charm and a spirit to to the town. We couldent do without the girls.

Go to C. L. Meroney & Co. for a perfect fitting suit of clothes.

Boys, you can look at the girls go by, but you will have to wait till they graduate before you tell them the old story.

Leave your laundry with F. W. Rogan every Wednesday and get it Saturday.

We apprehend an epidemic of heart desease in Montevallo. Several of the boys are already complaining.

True artistic taste has been shown in the selection of the new line of fall prints at Morgan Bros. Prices from 3½ to 5c

Gaston A. Robins, Democratic nominee for congress, of this District, spent Tuesday night in Montevallo. He is looking well, although he is making two speeches every day.

Have you seen the beautiful and delicious candies at F. F. Crowe & Co.

If you want to know how to keep goats or sheep from jnmping, call on Bro. Crabbe and he will give you the information free.

See the celebrated line of Fountain shirts at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Montevallo certainly has some talented musicians. We had the pleasure Tuesday evening of hearing some beautiful music, rendered by Misses Kate and Mary Kroell.

R. T Newton keeps a meat market. Leave your orders with him

We want a correspondent at every Post Office in this section. Send us the news of your neighborhood.

Heiser's celebrated line of mens high grade shoes at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Don't leave town for any length of time without having the News follow you.

If you want cheap building l ts call on C. Vandergrift.

FOUND—At the News Office, Montevallo, a space to let the people know what you want. Tell the public what you want and you will receive it.

Use first class stationery. Buy it from F. F. Crowe & Co.

DOGWOOD ITEMS

Rev. J. D. Martin delivered quite an able sermon at the Baptist church Sunday.

Call and see the new lot of saddles and bridles at Morgan Bros.

Pat and James Harrison have employment at Gurnee.

While waiting for a room to be fixed up for a photograph gallery, we will in the meantime call at any place or residence for the purpose of making photos of those who wish them. Please see specimins of our work at Fred Rogan's store.

Resectfully.
R. W. Carleton

We are pained to chronicle the illness of Miss Leila Striplidg who has been very ill for some time with typhoid fever, and we wish far her a speedy recovery.

C. L. Meroney & Co. sell pure high grade groceries.

We are glad to state that Mrs. H W Grrrison is much better after having been very ill for some time.

Buy your fall suit, best and cheapest at C. L. Meroney & Co

Mr and Mrs Oscar Harrison of Belle Ellen, visited relatives and friends near this place last week.

Have you seen the beautiful stationery at W B McCLUNEY & Co.

Walter Harrison, of Belle Ellen was in town Sunday.

Don't injure your eyes. Martin the Jeweler keeps spectacles suitable for school girls and all ages.

Miss Emma Lacey, of Maylene, visited relatives and friends near town last week.

Kroell sells twelve boxes of matches for ten cents.

Every body will be greatly pleased when the METHODIST church shall have been moved down in town.

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Collars, cuffs, shirt fronts and like articles usually made of linen are being made of aluminum, coated with white Japanese varnish, on which designs in imitation of weaving and sewing are marked.

The Cost of Freeing Cuba.

The United States are certainly entitled to retain possession of the Philippine Islands if the peace commissioners so decide, for the cost of the war runs far into the millions, and the end is not yet. The money paid out reaches an astonishing total. To free the stomach, liver, bowels and blood of disease, however, is not an expensive undertaking. A few dollars invested in Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will accomplish the task easily. The poor as well as the rich can afford it.

Uruguay has more newspapers in proportion to its population than any other country.

Fall Medicine

Is Fully as Important and Beneficial as Spring Medicine.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is just the medicine to keep the blood rich and pure, create an appetite, give good digestion and tone and strengthen the great vital organs. It wards off malaria, fevers and other forms of illness which so readily overcome a weak and debilitated system.

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Is America's Greatest Medicine.

Hood's Pills cure indigestion. 25 cents.

A Model Fruit Seller.

A thrifty Italian fruit seller on one of the most populous thoroughfares down town, who talks fluently with his diverse patrons, is an interesting character. His personal appearance gives no outward suggestion of his profound book lore and his versatility in the modern languages. Underneath his commonplace counter he always has a box of books on poesy, history and biography, and whatever time the exigencies of business allow, this assiduous Italian spends with the classics and the old maters. He reads and speaks fluently, Italian, French and English, and can converse intelligently with his German customers. At seventeen, when he landed in New York, he knew no language but Italian. A Columbia College professor became interested in the lad, who then served him with his morning news, and taught him to read. Now this fruit seller savant has a rare collection of old Italian and French chronicles and a well selected library of history and fiction.—Philadelphia Recod.

YOUNG AT SIXTY.

Serene comfort and happiness in advanced years are realized by comparatively few women.

Their hard lives, their liability to serious troubles on account of their peculiar organism and their profound ignorance concerning themselves, all combine to shorten the period of usefulness and fill their later years with suffering.

Mrs. Pinkham has done much to make women strong. She has given advice to many that has shown them how to guard against disease and retain vigorous health in old age. From every corner of the earth there is constantly coming the most convinciug statements from women, showing the efficacy of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in overcoming female ills. Here is a letter from Mrs. J. C. Orms, of 220 Horner St., Johnstown, Pa., which is earnest and straight to the point:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel it my duty to tell all suffering women that I think your remedies are wonderful. I had trouble with my head, dizzy spells and hot flashes. Feet and hands were cold, was very nervous, could not sleep well, had kidney trouble, pain in ovaries and congestion of the womb. Since taking your remedies I am better every way My head trouble is all gone, have no pain in ovaries, and am cured of womb trouble. I can eat and sleep well and am gaining in flesh. I consider your medicine the best to be had for female troubles."

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LIFE IN MANILA.

MANY ATTRACTIONS ABOUT THE QUAINT OLD CITY

The Natives Have Wonderful Talent for Music —The Tremendous Downpour of the Rainy Season—Canoeing in the Streets.

Wallace Cumming writes an article on "Life in Manila" for the Century. Mr. Cumming says:

Our firm had a mess-house, in which the partners lived, and which was open to all their American and English employes. Should the latter prefer to live elsewhere. One thousand dollars a year was allowed as the equivalent. I lived at the mess, finding it much more comfortable. Indeed, it would have been hard to be dissatisfied with our way of living; and as it will show the style in which the great American houses in the East are conducted, I think it worth telling with some detail. The mess was a fine house, handsomely furnished, in one of the pleasantest parts of the city. The table was supplied by a Chinese cook. He was allowed five hundred dollars a month, and given certain of the heavier groceries, such as flour, rice, etc. He paid his undercooks; and was responsible for meals at the mess, and for breakfast (like the French dejeuner a la fourchette) and afternoon tea, which were taken at the office by all the employes, except on Sundays and fiestas. Then there was a majordomo, who had control of all servants and had charge of the house. There was also an extra house-servant, and a Chinese porter, who opened and shut the great house doors, filled the baths, pulled the punka, and watered the street in the dry season. Then every one had a personal servant, who took care of his room, attended to his clothes, waited on him at table, prepared his early breakfast (about 7 a. m.), and so on. Everybody also owned a horse or horses, which involved one more servant at least. Being a junior, I contented myself with one pony and a two-wheeled trap, something like a dog-cart. The others drove victorias and pairs. Three of our mess owned racing-ponies, which inured to my benefit, as it gave me as much riding as I wished. After the bath and an early breakfast came the drive to the office, between eight and eight-thirty; then work till twelve-fifteen, at which hour breakfast was served at the office; then work again until five-thirty, interrupted between three and four by afternoon tea; then to the bungalow to dress, to drive, and back to dinner at seven-thirty.

To a lover of music Manila is a charming place. The natives have wonderful musical talent, and there were numerous bands. Those of the three regiments then stationed there were remarkably good; and four afternoons each week they played in turn on the "Luneta," a sort of plaza on the shores of the bay just outside the old walls. I recall vividly the open-air concert, by three hundred instruments, given in honor of Prince Oscar of Sweden. The glorious full moon of the tropics, far brighter than in more northern lands, shining on the quiet waters of the bay, the innumerable lights, the brilliantly dressed crowd, and the thrilling music of the mighty bands, softened in volume on the great plain, combined to make it an occasion to be long remembered. The "Battle of Castelejos," which they played, was inspiring, and the effect was heightened by the repetition of the trumpet-calls by soldiers who were stationed at intervals far off upon the plains, while the guns on the city walls added a touch of reality.

During the height of the rainy season, from about the middle of June to the middle of September, all outdoor pursuits are suspended. The violence of the downpour is hardly to be imagined by dwellers in higher latitudes. The streets in Manila, and some of the roads for a few miles outside, are fairly good during the dry season, but quickly become nearly impassable when the rains set in. As I have already mentioned, Manila is intersected in all directions by creeks, which are traversed by hundreds of canoes. These canoes are dugouts, often of great size, and the natives are most expert in handling them. They are indispensable at times when vast floods come down from the great lake, about thirty miles from Manila, of which the river Pasig is the outlet. One storm will sometimes raise the river and overflow most of the city. After a few hours' rain I have gone direct from our steps into a banca (canoe), and been paddled through the streets to the office.

SAN JUAN'S FORTIFICATIONS.

Morro Castle Dates From the Time of Ponce De Leon.

In the Century there is a richly illustrated article on "The Island of Porto Rico," written by Mr. Frederick A. Ober. Writing of the fortifications of San Juan, Mr. Ober says:

Morro Castle dates from Ponce de Leon's time, but the Morro as it stands to-day was completed in 1584. The faro stands here, with a first-class light, and within the Morro's walls are buildings of a small military town —quarters for troops, a chapel, bake-house, and guard-room, with dungeons down by the sea and underneath. This is the citadel, the initial point of the line of circumvallation, composed of connected bestions, castles, and fortalezas, running from west to east, to the Castle San Cristobal, thence north to the ocean.

The oldest portion of the line is at the southwest angle, and is called the "Fortaleza," the platform of which supports the captain-general's palace, and was built in 1540. The sea-wall to the north is pierced by the gateway of San Juan, which affords entrance to the glacis of San Felipe del Morro, between the palace and semi-bastion of San Augustine. Turning southwardly from the Fortaleza, we note the bastion of La Palma, and the semi-bastion of San Justo, in the curtain between which two is the arched entrance from the Marina, or outside ward, to the intramural city, and known as the Puerta de Espana. Beyond it, to the east, are the bastions of San Pedro and Santiago, the latter in the eastern wall, the middle part of which is pierced by the landward gate called the Puerta de Santiago, protected by a ravelin of the same name. The fortress San Cristobal, though sometimes called a castle, is in reality an amplification of the fortifications facing east, or landward, and extends from the bay on the south northward to the ocean.

These fortifications in their present shape were projected in 1630, and virtually finished between 1635 and 1641; but San Cristobal and the outworks were not completed until the comparatively modern date of 1771. The eastern advanced works consist of two lines of batteries, protected by a deep moat; of the small fort at San Antonio at the bridge of that name; and at the extreme eastern end of the islet a still smaller fort, San Geronimo, which defends the bridge of Boqueron.

From Santiago Via London.

A member of the House of Commons, who has two nephews who are engineers in the American Navy, is receiving from the fleets a correspondence which would awake the envy of many newspapers. Their descriptions illustrate the readiness and efficiency of the American Navy. One of his correspondents relates that in one of the bombardments of Morro Castle one of the guns of one of the American ships was put out of action by a shell from the forts. Immediately all the chief engineers were summoned from the whole fleet by signal, and were brought aboard this ship to give advice as to the gun. They all looked at the gun and examined her damaged machinery, and the result of their combined wits was that in half an hour the gun was back in action, as sound as ever!—London Chronicle.

On an average every woman carries forty to sixty miles of hair on her head.

A Domestic Incident.

From the Observer, Flushing, Mich.

"Early in November, 1894," says Frank Long, who lives near Lennon, Mich., "on starting to get up from the dinner table, I was taken with a pain in my back. The pain increased and I was obliged to take to my bed. The physician who was summoned pronounced my case muscular rheumatism accompanied by lumbago. He gave me remedies and injected morphine into my arm to ease the pain.

"My disease gradually became worse until I thought that death would be welcome release from my sufferings. Besides my regular physician I also consulted another, but he gave me no encouragement.

On Getting Up From the Table.

"I was finally induced through reading some accounts in the newspapers regarding the wonderful cures wrought by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, to try them. I took the pills according to directions and soon began to notice an improvement in my condition. Before the first box was used I could get about the house, and after using five boxes was entirely cured.

"Since that time I have felt no return of the rheumatic pains. I am confident that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills saved my life and I try to induce my friends who are sick to try the same remedy. I will gladly answer inquiries concerning my sickness and wonderful cure, provided stamp is enclosed for reply. FRANK LONG."

Sworn to before me at Venice, Mich., this 15th day of April, 1893.

G. B. GOLDSMITH, *Justice of the Peace.*

The Way He Won Her.

"How did Miss Rockingham ever come to choose that measly little chap for her husband, when she might have had the Marquis de Montmorency?"

"The measly little chap could understand her French or at least he made her believe he could—and the marquis couldn't."—Cleveland Leader.

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A Painter's Daring Act.

A daring display of patriotism was recently made in Utah and the evidence of it stands there to-day to make people wonder how it was done. William Gibson of Vernal, suggested to a painter named Voigt that he be pulled up the sheer side of a cliff 28 feet higher than the Washington monument, and paint on the rock the words "Remember the Maine." Voigt readily consented and the trial was made. The start was made from the ledge, sixty feet from the base of the cliff. When Voigt was raised about one hundred feet from the ledge the twist in the rope began to make him twirl, slowly at first, but more rapidly as he gained momentum, and soon he was whirling so fast that those watching below were in momentary fear that he would fall. After the twist was out of the rope he was pulled up to a point 358 feet from the base, and there in immense capitals he painted the words which cheered our soldiers on their marches in Cuba.—Philadelphia Press.

Forwarding the Santiago Round Robin.

An officer from Santiago brings an interesting story of how the round robin of Shafter's Generals got into print. They figured on the cost of sending it and Roosevelt's letter by cable, and estimated it would be about $1,500. That staggered them, and it was then proposed to send the statement by mail, but that would take a week or more, and it was feared that the delay would cost many lives. An Associated Press correspondent, according to the returned officers, called on the Generals for news and was informed of their dilemma. He offered to send the round robin and Roosevelt's letter if furnished with copies. He was ordered out of the tent while the officers prepared their statements. After signing them they left the tent and the correspondent walked in. He found the desired copies lying on a table, evidently pepared for him, and telegraphed the statements to the United States.—Washington Correspondence Chicago Times-Herald.

Cheaper Coffee Coming.

Coffee is to be cheaper. This is to be one of the results of the war. Nearly half of the world's coffee crop comes to the United States. We consume about twelve pounds per annum for every one of our population, and spend on an average nearly $90,000,000 a year for coffee. Two-thirds of the world's supply of coffee comes from Brazil, which places an export duty of 11 per cent. upon the fragrant berry. The finest coffee in the world is grown in Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines, and under the stimulation of American enterprise these countries will, within a few years, be able to supply the world with coffee. What this means to the coffee consumer he can clearly understand.—Leslie's Weekly.

A Trick of Trade.

That there are tricks in all trades is shown by a peculiar circumstance surrounding the import of British hams, bacon and salt pork into Italy, which by law is prohibited, placing restrictions upon the porcine products of any country for sanitary reasons. By simply making the request, most other countries have secured the setting aside of this regulation in their favor. But it is not generally known that there is a method, withal an expensive one, of evading the terms of the regulation. If a ham were packed in a hermetically sealed tin, it could be passed as preserved meat, even if the label frankly declared that the tin contained an entire ham. This point has been successfully tested.—Boston Herald.

History of a Sapphire.

A villager recently found a big sapphire at a gemming pit at Nawdam Korale, Ceylon. He parted with it to a Moorman for a nominal sum, and it is now in the possession of a Colombo jeweller. It weighs twenty-three rupees and is valued at $6,000.-

The Umbrella Conscience.

"You may bank on a guilty conscience almost every time when an umbrella is in question," said a New Orleans drummer. "You see this one—well, it came into my possession quite recently by what they call the right of conquest in a protocol. I was caught out in the rain after lunch, and wondering what in the deuce I would do, when I noticed a chap under an awning trying to raise an umbrella. It was clear he didn't understand the fastening, and as the umbrella itself was not new, the circumstantial evidence against him was conclusive. So I walked up and said firmly: 'That's my umbrella, sir.' At the same time I took it out of his hand. He wilted at once, stammered something about a mistake, and walked off, while I walked away proudly, sheltered from a very moist shower. That's what nerve will do. Wonder, by the way, whose it really is."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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Now is the time to clean off the grounds around your premises and start a lawn. It adds so much to a heme to have winter lawn with its green grass to cheer the heart during the long, dreary days of cold. Plow up the land thourghly, spread on about 25 loads of manure to the acre, narrow all smoothly and sow some mixed seed from one of the best seedmen. Bluegrass and Orchadgrass mixed will keep the ground green, winter and summer.

FOURTH QUR. CONFERNCE.

Rev. Jno. D. Simpson, Presiding Elder of this pastorial charge, has been with us several days, At 2,30 o-clock Wednesday, the usual business of this part of the Work, transacted at the church. It was a very harmoninous session and the reports show a good condition existing in all lines of the church work. This has been, in many respects, a suceessful year and the stewarts enter into its closing months with renewed interest and zeal. Bro. Simpson had all of the newly elected stewarts present, to stand about the alter and reading to them the rules for stewarts, as laid down by the church, he installed them in an impressive speech. It was a helpful and striking departure from the usual custom. He spoke of the high honor imposed upon them by the Pastor in choosing them out of all the members of the church. as those best suited in every way for this important office. Mr. J. M. Reynolds is chairman of the board and to his efforts are due, in a large measure, the success that has already been accomplished. We predict full payment along all lines and take the liberty of calling on every one interested in church work to come up to the full mearsure of their duty.

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THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

Says; that, it is a sad fate, that the local young man has to be contented with, to have 400 girls promenading the streets and noee to sfroll with to some beautiful spot, and whisper "Sweet nothings" into her willing or un willing ear. It is evident that Cupid will have to seek new fields or go out of the business.

Montevllo needs a stock law or a mutual a gaeement betwene all hog owners to keep them fenced up. One of those privileged swine which has learned to feel at home on the sidewalk, one day this week, walked supinely through a well known public place, into the back yard, much to the consternation of the houskeeper.

Montevallo has a great future before it and Girls Industrirl is the main factor it the imprevement. With Capt. Reynolds at the head the school is bound to be a great success. By the way, everyone who has the wellfare of our town at heort, should do all in their power to assist Capt. Reynolds in effort to secure the increased appropriation.

WITH THE CHURCHES:

Dr. McKeen, pastor of the first Presbyterian church of Anniston, filled thepulpit at the M E church last Sunday at eleven o'clock services, and also in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. The subject for the morning sermon was "forgivness" Those who feel sorrow, must know that if they so will, God can and will overrule the affliction for eternal good. No human being can forgive our sins. We must look to God for He with His infinite arm, will cast our sins behind and remember them no more forever. He is very impressive and holds the attention of the audience very closely.

Pastor Reynolds preached at Baptist Church at 11 o'clock. The subject "Fight the good fight of faith" was discussed in fervent and convincing style.

The attendance at the League at 4 o'clock at the M. E Church was not what it should be, but hope to see better attendance in the future.

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INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ITEMS

Perhaps the "haps" and mishaps which are continually occurring within the walls of the Dormitory will be of some slight interest to the readers of "The News." Here daily arrivals constantly add new life to the scene.

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Get your share of the fine bananas at F F Crowe & Co.

Plato's definition of a cultured man, "One who is curious to learn, and is never satisfied; seems to be highly appreciated in this community. Some of our young ladies, at least, must aspire to this ideal: they are so curious to acquire the sort of knowledge Mr. Webster gives us, that, not satisfied with their progress from Monday to Friday, this suffices most girls,- we find them eagerly wending their way towards the chapel, promptly on Saturday morning. Here they are awaited by Mrs, Babb; she graciously permits them to spend a few hours, all too short, in her improving society. We sincerely hope that the young ladies receive the benefits they so earnestly desire.

They find that the fancy paper at F. F. Crowe & Co. is the best

Some young lady asked, not long since, why the tank was not put on the top of the Darmitary. Can any one volunteer an answer?

That chocolate cake at F. F. Crowe & Co. is delicious.

When a girls brother comes to the Dormitory, all the girls want brothers

Something new, peanut cocoanut flakes at F. F. Crowe & Co,

Miss Callan took tea with Miss Burks Saturday evening. We had the pleasure of being at the table with her.

See those bueatiful new style ribbons at Morgan Bros.

Miss Thompson came up Saturd s night, and the the gir's enjoyed dancing with her and Miss very Callan much.

Up-to-date ribbons at Morgan Bros.

The windows of the Dormitory are always white on Saturday. There is no small pox here, only a light case of measles.

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Several girls have been on the sick list during the past week, but seem to have recovered.

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The girls fairly besiege Mr. Forbers when he comes with the mail. Some young ladies receive so many and such long letters that dinner is left untasted. They certainly must subsist on something besides the food of mortals in their normal conditions.

Our line of hats are up to-date, see them before you buy. Morgan Bros

On my rounds looking for news, we had a delightful treat of grapes. They were highly appreciated, and we have news promised from that source.

You have lost your sole, and you will loose a bargain if you dont see that beautiful line of new stock shoes at New York Racket Store.

Ask a certain young lady of Dormitory whether her complaint was rheumatics or rheulazies

J. W. Martin has just received a lot of haudsome new watches. Call and see them.

The weekly prayer meeting, held every Sunday night, was very well attended The subject studied, under the leadership of Miss Cambbell was "Prayer."

New clothing this week at Morgan Bros.

Visitors are here almost every day. Mr. Prowell visited his sister this week.

Dose your watch keep good time? If not have it examied at Martins the Jeweler.

Miss Mamie Wisdom returned to her home in Montgomery, Tuesday. Her new-found friends very much regret the necessity which calls her home, and hope she may be with us again soon.

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Well cooked light bread is the most healthful. Get it at the New Bakery, Bests old stand. R. T. Newton proprietor.

Mrs. Babb called on the ladies of the Dormitory Friday afternoon.

Ladies buy Krippendorf, Dittman fine shoes from C. L. Meroney & Co.

A good appetite certainly is the best sauce. We Dormitory girls are always ready for the ringing of the bell

SCHOOL GIRL

WITH THE CHURCHES:

The Missionary intertainment given by the sabbath school of the M. E. Church last Sunday, was entertaining and instructive. The Baptist Sunday school having been invited over, the house was crowded to standing room. A good collection was taken for the Missionary cause.

A committee has been appointed to formulate a plan for the enlargement of the M. E. Church. The house, although quite comfortable, has been so much overcrowed for the last year, that an extention is absolutely neccessary to accomadate the increasing audience.

Pastor Abernathy preached at the M E. Church at 11 o'clock last Sunday to a crowded house on the subject, "Coming of Christ Kingdom." In the opening of the address he said that many people who claimed to have Christ Kiugdom in their hearts, were in fact nursing in their bosom some bitter malice against their fellow man. "Christ, he said, in the life, will not make one the less a man, but only develop the truest manhood. Away with the false standard of honor, which resents every slur, and is even ready to die for this egotistical hell-made code." The body of the sermon was an appeal to the Missionrry spirit. A handsome collection for missions was received.

Want Column.

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One cent a word per issue,

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MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

St. Louis, Mo., has issued instructions through superintendents to the principals and teachers that there is to be no more home work that shall involve the study of text-books.

In an article in the Revue des Deux Mondes M. Fouille declares that, while the modern Greeks are not descended wholly from Slavs, as some have maintained, they certainly are not lineal descendants of the great peoples who made Greece famous.

Apropos of the anti-vaccination crusade going on in London, it is interesting to note that in Norway and Sweden and Denmark vaccination is enforced in a novel way. People cannot be married without each producing their certificate of vaccination, Without this the minister cannot perform the ceremony.

Californians are complaining about the naming of warships. There was built in California the queen of the American navy, the battleship Oregon; the queen of the protected cruisers, the flagship Olympia; the handsomest vessel in the service, the cruiser San Francisco, and the only two monitors that ever crossed the Pacific, the Monterey and the Monadnock, and the swiftest torpedo boats are now being built there—yet the State has not been honored by having its name given to a battleship.

While European Russia will need only forty-five years or so, Germany about sixty-five years, Austria-Hungary seventy years, England eighty years, and Italy 110 years, it will take France over 860 years to double its population! What signifies the loss of Alsace-Lorraine's 1,500,000 souls compared with the loss France suffers every day? In the last five years the German population has increased by 3,000,000, who are every one fully German; France meanwhile has increased her people by only 175,000, who are not even of French nationality. The increase of a nation is of the utmost importance to the success of its country. It has meant much in the nineteenth century, it will mean more in the twentieth.

Discussing the quietly growing but highly important change in agricultural communities near cities, as the result of the invasion of the trolley, the American Agriculturist says that farming lands thus favored have advanced from five to twenty-five per cent in value. Thus far this is due, the paper says, not so much to the relative nearness of a market as to the increased demand from city residents who wish to enjoy country life. This is expected to mean much ultimately to agriculture. The city people gradually stay longer at their country summer homes, and when there are good schools in the vicinity the summer sojourners often become permanent residents. All this enables the country town to afford the betterments which make life worth the living, and this improvement, socially and financially, may, in certain restricted regions, restore to farming some of its lost favor.

A CRISIS IN PROCEEDINGS

Reached by the Peace Commissioners at Paris.

AMERICA WILL NOT ASSUME CUBAN DEBT

The Philippines Will Be Demanded—Day Informs Spanish Commissioners That Further Delay Will Not Be Tolerated.

A dispatch to a London news agency from Paris says:

"Today (Monday) the conference reached a crisis for the first time. Judge Day presented the demands of the American commission in threatening words. He said that delay was the only possible object attainable by the persistent efforts of the Spanish commissioners to saddle the United States with the Cuban debt and would be tolerated no longer, as the United States would neither assume nor guarantee any part of the debt.

"The Spaniards replied that this placed Spain in a position of repudiating or of reducing the face value of the Cuban bonds from 50 to 60 per cent., paying only half the stipulated interest on the reduced value. Before they would adopt either alternative, they would surrender to the United States the entire Philippines.

"Judge Day responded that the Philippines would probably be demanded, irrespective of the Cuban or any other debt.

"This, to the Spaniards, the first intimations of the intentions of the United States as to the Philippines, resulted in a whispered consultation on the part of the Spanish commissioners, after which they asked for time to communicate with Madrid. Judge Day said that President McKinley had instructed him to demand the entire surrender of Porto Rico tomorrow (Tuesday) and the delivery of every town to the United States officers before midnight, together with the evacuation of Havana on or before November 1, when the United States would be at the gates ready to take possession.

"There was no alternative offered in the case of either of these demands, and the session consequently was very brief. The American commissioners have received dispatches from Washington indicating that the administration is irritated and indignant over the delay of the Spanish commissioners."

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

Are Being Made by France—Getting Cruisers Ready.

PARIS.—Inquiries made Monday at the offices of the French minister of marine confirm the report published by the Soliel in a dispatch from Toulon that Vice-Admiral Fournier, who is now at Tunis with the minister of marine, M. Rockroy, will return immediately to Toulon, where orders have been received to speedily prepare the armored cruisers Admiral Trechouart, Bouvines, Jemmapez and Valmy for active service, and that, in addition, orders have been issued to send the largest possible number of gunners to Brest without delay to man the forts and batteries there. The vessels mentioned are to be promptly placed on a war footing and sent to Brest. Rumors connect the French preparations with the Fashoda dispute.

British Ship Blengfell Burned.

The British ship Blengfell, Captain Johnson, from New York, September 18 for London, was destroyed by a sudden fire off Margaet, England, early Monday morning. Nine of the crew, including the captain and a pilot, perished.

Later it developed that the captain's wife and children, the first and second mates, were also lost.

GOMEZ WILL BE MADE PRESIDENT

Cuban Assembly Will Meet at Santa Cruz Oct. 20.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA.—The meeting of the Cuban assembly at Santa Cruz is fixed for October 20, but owing to the lack of transportation facilities the members of the assembly will be unable to arrive at Santa Cruz on time, and the end of the month will probably have come before the election of a president and cabinet takes place.

El Cubano, a daily paper of Santiago, predicts the election of the following ticket:

President, Gen. Maximo Gomez; vice-president, Senor Bartholome Maso; secretary of foreign affairs, Dr. Domingo Mendez Capote; home secretary, Senor Benjamin Guerra; secretary of justice, Senor Jose A. Lanuza; secretary of war, Gen Calixto Garcia; secretary of public instruction, Senor Enrique Varona.

A BLIZZARD IN THE WEST.

Heavy Fall of Snow Reported in Missouri and Kansas.

A Monday's special from Kansas City, Mo., says. A genuine blizzard prevails in the Southwest and West today. A heavy snow has fallen since 3 o'clock, and driven by a strong wind has prostrated wires in all directions and caused delay to railway traffic. The snow followed twenty-four hours of steady rain.

There has been a decided fall in the temperature, and the suddenness of the storm, coming as it has upon the track of Indian summer weather will undoubtedly cause great suffering, especially on the ranges covered with cattle. Kansas City is practically cut off from the West, as far as telegraph communication is concerned.

TO SAVE HIS WATCH

Edward Thomas Rushed Into a Fire and Burned to Death.

His love for a plain silver watch which was an heirloom caused the death of Edward Thomas, a watchman at the furnaces of the Pioneer Manufacturing company, at Thomas, Ala., Monday. Thomas was employed as top filler. His duties were in the top house, 150 feet from the ground. Gas from the furnace blown over by a driving southeast wind set the top house on fire. At this time Thomas was on the safety platform, but rushed across and entered the house to save his watch, and was literally roasted to death.

M'KINLEY HONORED.

University of Chicago Confers Degree of Doctor of Laws Upon the President.

The University of Chicago Monday conferred upon President McKinley the degree of doctor of laws. Hundreds of people applauded to the echo as the president of the college placed around the shoulders of the nation's executive a hood of purple, to indicate, as Dr. Harper said in Latin, that the receiver of the degree had "Surpassed other men in native genius and devotion to it." The exercises at the university, while hampered very much by wet weather, were still impressive in an extraordinary degree.

LOCKED UP IN ST. LOUIS.

Alabama Negroes From Virden, Ill., Are in Jail.

The fifty-seven Alabama negroes that were sent to St. Louis from Springfield, Ill., after the union miners at Virden had refused to allow them to remain in that city, are in jail in St. Louis. They spent Sunday in religious service, and are anxious to get back to Alabama. Mayor Zeigenheim is trying to devise a way to get the hapless negroes back without legal intricacies. To send them to Alabama is not within the province of the St. Louis authorities, who had no connection with the trouble in Virden.

DEATH IN THE DEEP SEA

One Hundred and Sixty-Five Persons Drowned.

STEAMER STRANDED ON ENGLISH COAST

The Ship Was Blown on the Rocks and Scores Were Drowned Like Rats—Thirty-One Out of Two Hundred Saved.

LONDON.—The Atlantic Transport company's steamer, Moh Eagan, formerly the Cleopatra, of the Wilson and Furness-Leyland line, which left London for New York Friday, with 50 passengers and a crew of 150, ran ashore off the Lizard, between the Manacles and the lowlands. It is rumored that there has been a great loss of life.

It appears that when the Moh Eagan struck a gale was blowing and the sea was running high. Lifeboats put off from the Lizzard and from Falmouth, one returning filled with passengers. Several were drowned, however, it is reported, on the passage of the lifeboat to the shore. The coast at that point is extremely dangerous, and has been the scene of numerous wrecks.

A dispatch from Falmouth says that the Moh Eagan foundered and was probably blown ashore by the heavy sea and wind after her machinery was disabled.

Later.—According to a dispatch just received from Falmouth, out of 200 persons constituing the passengers and crew of the Moh Eagan, only 31 have been saved.

WAR WITH ENGLAND

Would Result From a Military Revolution.

LONDON.—The situation in Paris is regarded in well-informed quarters here as being more serious than at any time since the commune.

The St. James Gazette says: "A military revolution, however peaceful, which replaces the Brisson cabinet with the nominees of the generals, would imperil the relations between England and France almost to the breaking point. The semi-official and party-inspired Paris papers are still pretendeng that negotiations are proceeding between the two governments, and France believes it, although everybody in England knows that the statement is ridiculous. Even supposing Major Marchand is unconditionally withdrawn from Fashoda, the difficulties with France will in no way end. Behind it lies the whole question of the Behr el Ghazal, the richest prize in the Soudan.

CONSPIRACY DISCOVERED.

Plotters Were Arranging to Overturn French Affairs.

PARIS.—It is announced that a military plot against the government has been discovered. The plot was discovered by a general holding an important position. The plotters were to have taken action on Saturday during the absence of the minister of war, General Chanoine.

It further appears that when the government was warned of the plot, the ministers were not surprised, having already obtained information regarding the conspiracy.

The Matin says the plot was not in favor of one of the pretenders to the throne of France, who has been talked about for some time, but was only for the purpose of changing certain officials of the government, without touching the president.

Prominent Pittsburg Attorney Killed.

Charles E. Cornelius, one of the most prominent attorneys of Pittsburg, Pa., was killed by a train at Zewickley on the Fort Wayne railway Saturday.

GREAT BRITIAN PREPARING

Talk of War Over the Fashoda Affair.

FRANCE MUST BICK DOWN OR FIGHT

Grave Situation Arising Out of the French Aggressions in the Soudan—Indications That France Will Retire From Fashoda.

LONDON.—There has been a great deal of talk here about the possibility of war with France and various preparations upon the part of the British government reported to have been made. It is announced that a leading small arms firm at Birmingham was asked this week whether it was prepared to turn out a thousand magazine rifles weekly. The significance of this will be appreciated when it is pointed out that the British government works alone are capable of turning out 4,000 magazine rifles weekly. It is also rumored that war insurances have been effected at Lloyds during the last few days, but they appear to have been more in the character of bets than trading.

The situation arising out of the question between Great Britain and France as to the right of occupying Fashoda is extremely grave. Everything hinges on the nature of the report of Maj. Marchand, the French commander at Fashoda, who is is now on his way from Khartoum to Paris.

The evacuation of Fashoda by the French must, however, take place if war between Great Britain and France s to be averted, as the Marquis of Salisbury has nailed his colors to the mast and cannot recede from the position he has taken up, and in which he has received the unanimous support of the country.

The emphatic declarations of the English press and public men have already had a certain influence across the channel and the inspired statements of the French press belittle the inportance of Fashoda and shift the ground to an undefined claim upon the province of Bahr-El-Ghaseal and a port on the Nile. The mouth-piece of the French foreign office is preparing France for the abandonment of Fashoda by asserting that Major Marchand overshot his goal and that instead of going to Fashoda he ought to have stopped at the confluence of the Bahr-El-Ghaseal.

THEY WILL NOT YIELD.

Firm Stand Taken by the American Commissioners at Paris.

MADRID.—The semi-official Correspondencia attaches much importance to Friday's meeting of the peace commissioners. It says it believes that besides discussing the Cuban debt and the evacuation of Cuba, the Philippine question was under discussion, which this paper claims to regard as incredible "as all unprejudiced people must think, that after the signature of the protocol, the rights and sovereignty of Spain would be unquestioned."

Continuing, the Correspondencia says: "The Americans ure uncompromising and disposed to only yield on points of unimportant detail. They are not disposed to agree to arbitration, while Spain is willing to accept Russia or Germany. The public is anxious, but we cannot immediately reassure it, the telegraph not being, under the present circumstances, the best means of information."

Congressman Love Dead.

Congressman W. S. Love of the Sixth Mississippi district, died Sunday, at Gloster, Miss. He had been ill two weeks.

Danes Will Be Made to Surrender Coal.

The cruiser Newark has left Port Antonio, Jamaica, for St. Thomas to demand possession of the coal belonging to the United States.

CULVER FILES ANNUAL REPORT

Reviews Work of His Department in Regard to Fertilizer—Agricultural Schools

In his annual report to the governor, just filed, Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, of Alabama, says:

"One of tho most important duties assigned to this department is the management and general supervision of the fertilizer trade of the state. Heretofore it has been the custom of this department to have the manufacturers submit samples of their fertilizers, and have them analyzed by the state chemist, this being the guarantee upon which goods are sold within the state. During the present season we have abolished this custom, and have received samples of the various brands direct from dealers after coming into the state. During the present year we hope to get our fertilizer dealers familiar with the workings of this plan, and we are sure that it will prove very beneficial to the fertilizer consumers of the state.

"The demand for farmers' institutes has been greater than for many previous years. I have visited many counties of the state, and everywhere the farmers have attended in large numbers, evincing a strong desire to become more familiar with the needs of their soils and the proper methods of fertilization and cultivation.

"I have visited all of the above schools during the year, and on close inspection find that they are complying with the law, both in teaching scientific agriculture and in making experiments on the farm. When the crops are gathered, the results of the experiments will be published in pamphlet form, as well as all the newspapers in their respective districts. Every pupil over the age of ten years is required to study agriculture and horticulture. The time once was when it only required muscle and some brain to cultivate our then virgin soils, which yielded so abundantly to the husbandman; but that day is in the past; we have worn down and dilapidated our soil until it no longer yields to mere force. It now requires to be built up as it is cultivated. This is what is being taught in our agricultural schools, and, in my humble judgment, the young men from these schools will revolutionize the farming interests of this country. I would urge every farmer in Alabama to send as many of his sons as possible to some one of these schools.

"The branch station located at Tuskegee for the colored race, under the direction of Professor Booker T. Washington, is also doing fine work. Professor Carver, who is an educated man, is teaching scientific and practical farming, and, in my opinion, that station should have an equal showing with the other schools of this character.

Proclamation by the Governor.

Governor Johnston Friday issued the following proclamation:

The LaFayette Memorial association are appealing to the youth of the United States for funds to erect a monument that will testify the gratitude this country has for gallant Frenchmen who gave such generous aid to our fathers in the war for independence. To aid in this work I appeal to the teachers of Alabama to give the pupils in their schools an opportunity to contribute to this monument, so that it may be erected during the exposition in Paris in 1900. All contributions can be sent to the state superintendent of education to be forwarded.

Damages Awarded.

In the city court at Birmingham, the jury in the case of Mrs. S. A. Jones, administratrix, against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad company, brought in a verdict for the plaintiff for $3,737.37. The plaintiff sued for $25,000 damages for the death of J. S. Jones, who was killed by the explosion of a locomotive while running, near Hartselle, Ala., on July 2, 1896.

Delegates to National Convention.

The governor has assigned to Commissioner of Agriculture Culver the task of selecting seventy-five delegates from Alabama to the Farmers' National congress, which will meet shortly at Fort Worth Tex , and the commissioner will be glad to hear from any representative farmers in the state who can arrange to go as delegates.

Birmingham's Mardi Gras.

J. M. Evans, of New Orleans, has been given the contract to put on Birmingham's Mardi Gras carnival in February next.

Wheeler in Command.

Major-General John J. Coppinger left Huntsville for Washington Friday, being succeeded in command of the Fourth corps by General Joseph Wheeler.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

W. P Oden, a prominent attorney of Sylacauga, died suddenly on a train of the Central of Georgia railroad last Friday.

For the first time in sixteen years Birmingham is without telephone service, due to a fire in the exchange Friday night, which practically burned out every 'phone in the city.

STATE NORMAL COLLEGE.

Its Twelfth Year Starts Off With Largest Enrollment in Its History—Dr. Curry's Visit.

This institution, but entering its twelfth year's existence, starts off with the largest enrollment in its history—above 500 on the attendance courses, in all departments and classes. This is due in part to the facilities for scholarships per senators and representatives in the state legislature, and the new provision for fellowships to post graduates while on a course for higher training.

Dr. Curry recently visited this college and found not only professors, teachers and pupils busy with regular work, but a large force of workmen overhauling the college buildings, repairing and adding to, or upon the campus grading, fencing and beautifying, and expressed himself as highly delighted, both with the "college work" and "college improvements." He seemed pleased to look into the faces of representatives of thirty or more Alabama counties, and of students from several other states, too, and gave assurance that Peabody fund would stand by the college in its labor and fight for "free public schools" in Alabama. The college people and citizens of Troy were greatly stirred up by his three powerful addresses in behalf of "Universal Education Under Trained Teachers" everywhere.

Dr. Curry is the prince of southern educators and his visits are an educational benediction to any institution or locality. Dr. Curry presented the Troy State Normal college with a fine portrait of George Peabody, the philanthropic founder of the fund for "Southern Education," bearing his name. Miss McMillan, art director of the college (sister to Governor-elect McMillan, of Tennessee), will paint for the new auditorium to be built a life-size portrait from this gift of Dr. Curry, so highly prized by the college people.

In no other place are Dr. Curry's visits more appreciated than at Troy, and he promises to return again next spring, to the delight of all.

Dr. Curry was given a private "Tea" at President Eldridge's home, and there met students from about twenty different counties, who gave him a most hearty reception and became his "Escorts of Honor" to the train as he left for Montgomery, Wednesday night, last.—Troy Messenger.

The University.

The University continues to grow in numbers. The net enrollment now reaches 190. This includes about forty law students and "co-eds" and about 150 academics. The latter are very mature in the main, coming from all sections of the state. These facts and figures indicate that the University has, as it deserves, the confidence of the people of Alabama.—Tuskaloosa Times.

ANARCHIST PLOT.

Conspiracy to Kill the Emperor of Germany Discovered.

ALEXANDRIA.—The Alexandria populists have arrested nine Italian anarchists and have thereby frustrated a plot on Emperor William on his way to the Holy land. The first to be arrested is a cafe keeper, a well known anarchist in whose house the police discovered two wire bound boxes of great strength full of bullets. The police investigation showed that the cafe keeper had bribed the steward of a steamer sailing Friday from Alexandria to Port Said and Syria to take on board a box filled with bombs. When the kaiser decided not to visit Egypt the anarchists changed their plans and decided to attack him in Palestine.

ATE SPIDERS AND DIED.

Novel Means of Suicide of an Iowa Murderess.

Stranger than the death of Cleopatra from the sting of an asp was the death of Cora Smith, self-confessed murderess of her father, at the Anamosa, Ia., state prison. The court of the prison, where the female prisoners are allowed to take their exercise, is surrounded by high stone walls. Here the spiders come out from the crevices in the rocks to bask in the sunshine. Cora captured them, one at a time, placed them in her handkerchief and hid them in a paper bag in her cell. When she had accumulated enough, she began to eat them. A post-mortem examination revealed the cause of death.

RIGOROUS CENSORSHIP REVIVED

By Spanish Government at Madrid—Will Surrender No Further Territory.

According to advices received from Madrid, a rigorous censorship has been revived there. Senor Sagasta and his colleagues are said to be greatly concerned regarding the demands of the United States government, which, they assert not only refuse to assume any of Spain's colonial, debts, but want to take the heavy artillery in Cuba and the floating dock recently sent to Havana.

The same advices say that the Madrid Imparcial announces that the government has cabled Captain-General Blanco not to turn over any further territory to the Americans until the peace treaty has been definitely signed.

SIXTH AT SAN JUAN.

With Band Playing the Mississippi Put Into the Harbor.

SAN JUAN, P. R.—The steamer Covadonga sailed for Spain Saturday, carrying 2,500 troops.

The Reina Maria Christina sailed Sunday for Spain with Captain-General Macias and his staff on board.

The United States transport Mississippi with 800 troops on board, arrived at daybreak Saturday morning with her band playing.

IN A DYING CONDITION.

Ministers Not Allowed to See the Chinese Emperor.

The British, German and Japanese ministers at Pekin, according to a special dispatch from Shanghai, have vainly sought for a week past an audience with the emperor.

An official of the Tsung Li Yamen says the emperor lies in a dying condition in a small building on a lake near the empress dowager's palace, where no man can penetrate.

Frost in Mississippi.

The occurrence of frost at various points in the south is welcomed by the marine hospital service authorities at Washington, who look for their continuance and a rapid diminution of the fever. The frost is reported officially at Jackson, Starkville, Columbia and Holly Springs, Miss.

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If you want a watch for use, you cant do better than make up a club for the News. The watch will be given to any one who gets up a club of 10 subscribers and each subscriber will be allowed to take choice in the prize list. Remember they dont have to be new names. Renewals will be accepted on the club list.

Educate the masses; in this lies the only hope of the age. We must away withthe old ideas that only the professional class must be educated, Every since the days of Julious Ceasar, two thousand years ago this selfish plan has been the practice to more or less extent. What has it done for the world? The professional class in Italy was educated and the mass ignorant. Rome fell. In France, a hundred years ago, we saw an educated class on one hand and vast, ignorant mass on the other; the consequences were that the Rev olution came, with all of its horrows. But the people of America are waking up to these lessons of history, They have learned that the only safty lies in the education of the common people.

Hon. John. W. Tomlenson of Birmingham, is running for Railroad Commisioner. The Governer will please the majority of our citizens in giving him the place. Mr. Tamlinson is a very able man and we will be certainly glad to see him appointed.

We havo made a valuable improvment in the News this week. Hearafter the paper will contain the State news and general new of interest and togather with the local items, the News will be up to date in all respects, We feel assnred that the public will appreciate our efforts and do their part to help make the News the best local paper in the State.

500 coppies of the News this week. The circulation has more than doubled in the last month.

The sudden sinking of the Steamer Mohigan near the British coast a few days ago, in which crew and pasengers numbering about 175 were nearly all drowned, reminds us of Jule Verns strange story, "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the sea". Who knows if some one has not acted on the suggestion and actualy made a submarine boat which may be powerful eneough to distroy all the vessels of the world ond still be undiscovered. The real Capt. Nemo would be the master of the world.

KICKER.

Cov. Tanner, of Illinois, and archfiend of anarchy, has greatly exceeded his autherity in refusing Alabama laboreas their constitutional rights to disembark at Vinden Ill, for the purpose of earning an honest living. His hands are died with thet red blood of every man whe fell at the battle of Venden.

In the eyes of law, justice, and every thing American, Gov. Tanner stands to day a murderer of the deepest dye, and should be made to pay the penelty of his helisn deed, as were the leaders of the famous Haymarket Riot, and a thousand years from now he could sit a pale ghost upon the Stygion shores and read the record of his damnable deeds by the red light of hell.

Klantes.

MAYLENE ITEMS.

A pretty home wedding uniting the destinies of Miss Leila Fulton of Maylene and Rev. L. F. Goodwin of Blocton Ala. was witnessed by a select number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties Wednesday Oct. 5th at four o'clock in the afternoon at the sesidence of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fulton parents of the bride. Rev. Martin Robinson of Bessemer performed the ceremony. The attendants were Mr. Parry Yeager of Blocton and Miss Nannie Fulton sister of the bride. Mrs. R. H. Hargrove presided at the organ and rendered a beautiful wedding march as the bridal party entered the parlor. First came the minister followed by the groom and then the bride leaning gracefully on the arm of her sister. The bride was attired in gray cloth travelling dress trimmed in green velvet andpink chifion She carried a bouquet of pink la france and brides roses and a sihgle la france rose resting in her hasr. The parlor was prettily decorated in cut flowers the canna and the golden rod prevailing. After receiving the congratulations and best wishes of the friends present Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin left on the five o'clock train for Birmingham where they spent several days at the Florence from there they will go to Blunt Springs for afew days returning to Mt. Pinson the home of the grooms parents and then to Blocton their fnture home. Miss Fulton by her winning ways had won a numbe of friends in the community in which she lived who regretted to see her depart. Rev. Goodwin returned last spring from Lebanon Tenn. where he had been attending the Cumberland University and took charge of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Blocton, he is a young man of obility and has a promising future. Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin have our best wishes for a bright and happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Falkner, of Maylene left yesterday for America Ala.

Dr. R. H. Hargrove spent Tues. day in Birmingham.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW,

and Solisitor in Chancery.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, Shelby County.

Addie Pope, by her next friend Alex Burr Complainant. vs. Ira Pope Defendant.

In Chancery Sixth District North-Eastern Chancery Division.

In this cause, it is made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of E. S. Lyman that the Defendant Ira Pope is a Non Resident of Alabama, and resides now in the State of Kansas, but his particular place of residence in said State is to affiant unknown and futher, that, in the belief of said affiant, the Defendsnt is over the age of twenty – one years. It is therefore ordered by the Register, that publication bo made in the Montevallo News a news paper published in the city of Montevallo once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him the raid Ira Pope to plead, answer or dumur to the bill of complaint in this cause by the 24th day of October A. D. 1898, or, in thirty days thereafter, a decree pro confesso may be taken against him.

Done at office, in Columbiana, Ala. this 13th day of September A. D. 1898.

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Methodist—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. Alex. Moore, W. M
F. F. Crowe, Sec'y.

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While waiting for a roomto be fixed up for a photograph gallery, wewill in the meantime call at any place or residence for the purpose of making photos of those who wish them. Please see specimins of our work at Fred Rogan's store.

Resectfully.
R. W. Carleton

Mrs. T. N. Freeman' wife of the eeitor arrived in town Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman will keep house at the Mrs. Payne residence, near the the big spring.

See the celebrated line of Fountain shirts at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Call and see the new lot of saddles and bridles at Morgan Bros.

Editor Thos. Freeman went to Birmingham first of the week on business.

C. L. Meroney & Co. sel pure high grade groceries.

Capt. Reynolds went to Birmingham Monday on a business trip.

Buy your fall suit, best and cheapest at C. L. Meroney & Co

Mr. J. B. Hazzard, of New Orleans, spent the last ten days in Montevallo, prospecting. He is a naiive of this place' having lived here ten or more years ago. Being a man ofconsiderable intelligence he talks very interesting of our town, its past days and its glorious future.

Don't injure your eyes. Martin the Jeweler keeps spectacles suitable for school girls and all ages.

Mr. J. B. Bright, of Birmirgham spent Wedneskay in the city on business,

R. T Newton keeps a meat market. Leave your orders with him

We want a correspondent at every Post Office in this section. Send us the news of your neighborhood.

Heiser's celebrated line of mens high grade shoes at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Dr. P. L. Abernathey went to Birmingham Monday to perform the cerimony at the marrage of Mr. Henry Park to Miss Ellen Abernathy. The happy couple were married at the home of the bride in Avondale, Tuesday afternoon.

COAL delivered at short notice from Imogene mines. C. C. Vvndegrift.

The "Ventriloquest" intertained and was intertained at the eligant home of Mr. C. C, Vandergrift last Saterday evening. "A littlel folly now and is relished by the wisest men',.

The flavor and variety of F. F. Crowe & Co. is remarkable.

Arrived in the city Tuesday—a fine 8 pound daughter of B.F. Crabb. It is now papa Crabb as well as "Racket Crabe.

LUMP COAL from Imogene mines kept always on hand Delivered on short notice C C Vandegrift.

Did you see the frost last Saturday and Sunday morning? Oh yes! you say that the early bird got frost bit.

Have you seen the beautiful stationery at W B McCluney & Co.

They go like hot cakes, those delicions cakes at F. F. Crowe & Co.

Dig the potatoes now and have them good dry before heaping them.

"The meloncolly days have come,the sadest of the year" as the poet said,but who is sad.? No body in Montevallo it seems. If any body feels like crying come over and the News force will weep with you, but what will they have to lement over.

A beautiful, new line of capes are on exhibition at Morgan Bros.

Mrs. E. O. Marible of Gadsaccompanied by her grandson Jef. Cox, arrived in Montevallo Tuesday where she will spend the winter for her health. Mrs. Marible is one of the leaders in the Baptis church circles of Gadsden, and she will be greatly missed there, but our town will be the gainer.

Our citzens should remember Montevallo Male school is select in the fullest sense af the term. Limited in its numder of pupils to the teacher, its able and experianced idstructors can and do give the very best of attention to each individual attendant.

Perfumery?. Best line at McCluny & Co's.

ALDRICH ITEMS.

A few cases of sickness in this community.

Mrs B Ladys fell on last Sunday morning and was seriously injured She is improving.

An infant of Mr and Mrs J M Peter has been quite sick for several days

Col S S Holbrook needed the service of a physician on Saturday last.

Several non-residents are in town during the week.

Mr G B Dean was in town Sunday

Mr P L Abernathy and Mr Rice gave us a pleasant call this morning

prof W B Greek arrived in town on Sunday afternoon and reopened school on Monday with an attendance of about 35 pupils.

T J Hoskins left for Birmingham to confer with his partners C N Pritchard and B F Farrar they expect to go into the mining business in the near future.

John Broadhead has moved back to his old home near this place,

There is some dissatisfaction on the of the mines at this place regarding the right of the empty train cars. From Present indication it seems as astrick was eminent. It is the general opinion that the trouble will be smoothed over in a fewdays. There never has been a strike among the employee of this company.

Hot 1 Arrivals

St. George: M. E. Ham: Proprietor.

J M Weis.	Selma.
B L Ducklin.	"
R R Crouhers.	"
J B Wilson.	StLouis.
R H de Graffenried	"
W P Miluer.	Birmingham.
Emmett Walsh.	"
E M Butt.	"
J A Stephens.	"
F G Sheppard.	"
H J Sandlin.	Va.
S A Wallace.	Wilsonville.
A C Jones,	Louisville.
T C Abercrimbe	Kentucky.
F A Sims.	Sweetwoer Tenn.
Frank X Ohlon.	Atlanta.
J P Pearson.	"
W D Vassar.	"
T A Turner	Augstow.
J W Paindexter.	Va.
W J Milner.	Birmingham.
R C powell.	"
J S Oliver.	Mobil.
Thos. Cagos.	Decater.
E O Emory.	"
Dr. Canady.	Wahtly. Ala.
J F Fruland.	N C.
S P Vandaudingham.	N Y.
O P Smith.	Nashvelle.
E O Meeks.	Atlanta.

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With its sudden changes, its hot days and chilly nights, dampness and decaying vegetation, is peculiarly trying to the health. A good Fall Medicine is as important and beneficial as Spring Medicine. Hood's Sarsaparilla keeps the blood pure, wards off malaria, creates a good appetite, gives refreshing sleep, and maintains the health tone through this trying season.

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Is America's Greatest Medicine.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. 25 cent.

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IS JUST AS GOOD FOR ADULTS. WARRANTED. PRICE 50 cts.

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ABNEY, CARR & Co.

FREE WATCH!

Send your address and we will express 50 fine, long-filler Nickel cigars. When sold, remit us $2.50 and we will mail you, free, a handsome stem wind and set watch, which retails for $2.50. **WINSTON CIGAR CO.**, No. 99 Main St, **Winston, N. C.**

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For 25c. in stamps we send a 100 PAGE BOOK giving the experience of a practical Poultry Raiser—not an amateur, but a man working for dollars and cents—during 25 years. It teaches how to Detect and Cure Diseases; Feed for Eggs also for Fattening; which Fowls to Save for Breeding; everything requisite for profitable Poultry raising. **BOOK PUBLISHING CO.** 134 Leonard Street, New York.

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CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

Continuous Steel Pipe.

The West Australian government has taken a contract to lay nearly 350 miles of water pipe of a novel character. This pipe is to be made of steel spirals packed in concrete. Sheet steel is cut into strips of the required width. These are fed into a machine and welded into one continuous strip. As the strip is fed into the machine, rivet holes are punched, then the edges of the laps are brought together by machinery and held during the process of riveting, which is all done by compression. The lap is thrown on on the outside of the pipe, rendering the inner surface smooth and even throughout its length. A tenacious hydraulic cement is packed around the laps, making the pipe absolutely water-tight.

Il Trovatore Wheel.

The "Il Trovatore" wheel, made in Germany, has a musical contrivance fixed to the handlebar and worked by the front wheel, and plays over 500 tunes. It can be stopped by a spring and set on again, and so on for half an hour, ad infinitum, until the machne wears out.

STRONG STATEMENTS.

Three Women Relieved of Female Troubles by Mrs. Pinkham.

From Mrs. A. W. SMITH, 59 Summer St., Biddeford, Me.:

"For several years I suffered with various diseases peculiar to my sex. Was troubled with a burning sensation across the small of my back, that all-gone feeling, was despondent, fretful and discouraged; the least exertion tired me. I tried several doctors but received little benefit. At last I decided to give your Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. The effect of the first bottle was magical. Those symptoms of weakness that I was afflicted with, vanished like vapor before the sun. I cannot speak too highly of your valuable remedy. It is truly a boon to woman."

From Mrs. MELISSA PHILLIPS, Lexington, Ind., to Mrs. Pinkham:

"Before I began taking your medicine I had suffered for two years with that tired feeling, headache, backache, no appetite, and a run-down condition of the system. I could not walk across the room. I have taken four bottles of the Vegetable Compound, one box of Liver Pills and used one package of Sanative Wash, and now feel like a new woman, and am able to do my work."

From Mrs. MOLLIE E. HERREL, Powell Station, Tenn.:

"For three years I suffered with such a weakness of the back, I could not perform my household duties. I also had falling of the womb, terrible bearing-down pains and headache. I have taken two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and feel like a new woman. I recommend your medicine to every woman I know."

GUARDING THE NEGRO MINERS.

Alabamians in Springfield Are Protected by Police.

All of the negro miners from Alabama, who went to work in the Chicago-Virden Company's mine at Virden, Ill., with the exception of a few who went north on the train from Springfield, are established in the headquarters of the local miners' union. Policemen are guarding the hall. The negroes number 106. It was understood that the negroes would be shipped back to Alabama, but it has not been done.

Adjutant-General Reece stated that the Federation of Miners refused to have anything to do with the transportation of the negroes from here to their homes; that the state authorities were in a quandary, because they had no authority to send them away.

MUST BE RESTORED.

England Demands That Chinese Emperor be Returned His Throne.

A dispatch to a London news agency from Shanghai says:

"Reports from Japanese sources are in circulation here to the effect that Sir Claude McDonald, British minister at Pekin, had informed the Chinese government that sovereignty appertains solely to the emperor, who has been forcibly abducted and deposed, and that he must be restored to his position, while Kank Yu Wei and the other reformers must be pardoned. Failing compliance, Great Britain will enforce these demands."

Russia Concentrating Troops.

The Odessa correspondent to the Standard says that Russia has hastily concentrated 40,000 men at Port Arthur, to be in readiness for any emergency at Pekin.

$125,000 Fire at Macon, Ga.

The candy and cracker factory of the Winn-Johnson Co., and the oil and paint store of T. C. Burke, at Macon, Ga., burned Friday. Loss $125,000.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

A hospital train having on board 120 convalescent soldiers, left Jacksonville for Old Point Comfort.

American imports into China continue to increase, while those of other countries decrease.

The Summit Lumber company's large plant was destroyed by fire at Junction City, Ark. The loss is about $50,000.

J. McD. Scott & Co., wholesale shoe dealers of Pittsburg, Pa., have made a voluntary assignment. The liabilities are stated to be $200,000.

Great Britain, Russia, France and Italy have decided to respect the porte's suggested modifications in the ultimatum to the Turkish government on the evacuation of the island of Crete.

The Rt. Hon. Wm. St. John Broderick, English under secretary of state for war, has been appointed under secretary of state for foreigh affairs in succession to Lord Curzon, the new secretary of India.

It is reported that Chang-Yin-Honan, who was recently dismissed from the tsung li yamin and from all his other offices, and banished to Illi, Turkestan, was murdered while en route to the place of exile, on a secret order from the empress dowager.

The May stock farm near Lexington, Ky., has been leased to Congressman Joseph C. Bailey, of Texas, to be used for breeding trotting horses. It is expected that Mr. Bailey will make his permanent home there.

It is the understanding at the war department that the Seventh and Eighth cavalry, now at Huntsville, Ala., will be the first troops that will go to Cuba, and it is not now expected that they will go with General Lee.

FIGHTING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Five Northern Provinces Rebel Against Aguinaldo.

A rumor at Manila says that Macabulos, chief of the five northern provinces of the Philippine islands, has rebelled against Aguinaldo, and that hard fighting has already taken place between the opposing factions. It is also reported here that General Rios, the Spanish commander at Iloilo, has sent emissaries from that place to undermine Aguinaldo's influence and induce the natives to demand that Spain retain the Philippine islands.

FIFTEEN PERSONS POISONED.

Toadstools Prepared for Supper and Cause Two Deaths in Arkansas.

At Mammoth Springs, Ark., Mrs. Joe Williams and her sister, Mrs. Brinkley, while visiting at their mother's home, prepared what they thought to be mushrooms for supper. The dish proved to be toadstools, and all of the fifteen persons who ate of it were poisoned, three slightly and the others seriously. A thirteen-year-old daughter of a neighbor named Greer, and Mrs. Brinkley's young son, died.

Uprising at an End.

Adjutant-General Corbin Monday received the following dispatch from General Bacon indicating that the Indian uprising in Minnesota is practically at an end:

"Walker, Minn.—Adjutant-General: At council with hostile Indians today, the latter said they wanted no more fighting with United States soldiers and agreed to come and surrender on Wednesday. This is the result of their defeat when engaged with our men on the 5th."

GEN. SUMNER COMING SOUTH.

He Favors the British Plan of Caring for Health of Troops.

Maj.-Gen. Sumner, who received his promotion for gallantry in the battle of Santiago, will soon be sent to one of the corps in the south and given command of a division. Gen. Sumner has given attention to the subject of care of soldiers in southern climates, and is of the opinion that some such system for troops in southern climates as Great Britain employes ought to be adopted.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R.H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

I use Piso's Cure for Consumption both in my family and practice.—Dr. G. W. PATTERSON, Inkster, Mich., Nov. 5, 1894.

S. R. Baldwin writes: "After trying Soothing Remedies without avail, and physicians without relief, I gave DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS) and they acted like magic. I occasionally gave a powder to keep my child's gums softened." TEETHINA Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels and makes baby robust and healthy.

PIMPLES

"My wife had pimples on her face, but she has been taking CASCARETS and they have all disappeared. I had been troubled with constipation for some time, but after taking the first Cascaret I have had no trouble with this ailment. We cannot speak too highly of Cascarets." FRED WARTMAN, 5708 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Gerstle's Female Panacea

TRADE (G. F. P.) MARK.

Which is absolutely the best female remedy ever offered her. Even if she has been negligent and allowed disease to fasten itself upon her she should not despair of being cured. This medicine is a purely vegetable tonic, containing those ingredients intended by nature as a remedy for suffering women. It matters not if other remedies have been tried and proven failures—**Gerstle's Female Panacea will not fail.** If there is any tendency to costiveness, indigestion or biliousness, move the bowels gently with a few mild doses of **St. Joseph's Liver Regulator.** If your druggist does not keep these medicines write us and we will send them to you, all charges paid, upon receipt of price. **Panacea, $1.00 per Bottle. Liver Regulator, 25c per Package.**

L. GERSTLE & CO., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Am. N. U., No. 42, 1898.

The Major's Experience.

From the Detroit Free Press.

One of the staunchest supporters of the deep-water way from the Great Lakes to the ocean is Major A. C. Bishop, of 715 Third Ave., Detroit, a civil engineer of wide experience and considerable prominence in his profession. He was assistant engineer on the Hudson River Railroad in 1850 and has since conducted large engineering operations. He has been located in Detroit since 1851, and has a large acquaintance among the business men and citizens of this city.

Two years ago, for the first time, Major Bishop was in the hospital. For two months he had the best of medical attendance, but when he was discharged he was not like the Major Bishop of old. When asked regarding his health, he said: "When I had my last spell of sickness and came out of the hospital I was a sorry sight. I could not gain my strength, and could not walk over a block for several weeks.

Major Bishop.

"I noticed some articles in the newspapers regarding Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which convinced me that they were worth trying and bought two boxes. I did not take them for my complexion but for strength. After using them I felt better, and know they did me worlds of good. I am pleased to recommend them to invalids who need a tonic or to build up a shattered constitution.

"A. C. BISHOP."

Subscribed and sworn to before me this eight day of January, 1898.

ROBERT E. HULL, JR., *Notary Public.*

The pure, powerful vegetable ingredients in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People supply the antidote for poisonous matter in the blood and add those elements needed to build up body and brains. Many diseases long supposed by the medical profession to be incurable have succumbed to the potent influence of these pills. They can be taken by young or old, being harmless in their nature, but powerful in eliminating disease.

The public funeral of Mr. Gladstone was not extraordinarily expensive. Some of the newspapers give the cost at $35,000, but a competent authority states that the actual cost was about $10,000.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money

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A French inventor claims to have discovered a process for converting the wool on a sheep's skin into a velvet-like substance.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Mulhall, the well-known statistician, places the percentage of illiteracy in Russia at 85. Sweden heads the list with only 2 per cent. of illiterates, while the United States comes sixth with 13.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

A turnip seed increases its own weight fifteen times a minute. On peat grounds turnips have been found to increase by growth 15,999 times the weight of their seed each day they stood upon it.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco gives the consumers the very best Tobacco they can get. 2 ounces for 10 cents. It is fast winning its way to public favor. Try it

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W. E. Trull, famous as the "first man up San Juan hill," is a descendant of Ezra Hyde, who distinguished himself by unusual bravery in the revolution.

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

A club at Trarback, which offered a prize of a barrel of wine for the best song in praise of Moselle wine, has received 2,149 compositions to choose from.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail druggists refund money.

A newly discovered story about Henry Clay is to the effect that when his wife was asked if she was not worried by his gambling, she replied: "Oh, not at all. Mr. Clay always wins."

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggist.

A petitioner to the general Methodist conference in Canada recently asked that body to "protect congregations against the growing evil of manuscript preachers."

Kind of a Wife He Wanted.

An advertisement which appeared in a recent edition of a Japanese paper published at Waisan, Korea, deserves to be rescued from oblivion. It ran as follows: "A bachelor, 27 years old, without wealth, of quiet disposition, living on a reasonable monthly income, and having but little parental restrictions, desires to be married to a lady possessed of the following qualifications: 1. She must be 21 years of age and of good health; 2. Of more than average beauty; 3. A working knowledge of arithmetic; 4. A working knowledge in sewing; 5. Not given to much talk; 6. Possessed of some property; 7. Virtuous; 8. Hater of liquor; 9. Have little or no parental restriction.

Enjoying an Earthquake.

According to the Argonaut, a lady—"an old lady," to quote the Argonaut literally—having returned to Michigan after a visit to California, was asked by one of her neighbors if she had experienced an earthquake. "Yes," said the lady, "we had one, a pretty severe one, and I rather enjoyed it. You see it was the first thing that has happened since John and I married that he didn't think I was to blame for."

Thirteen out of every 10,000 people in the United States are in prison. Seventeen out of every 10,000 are insane, the number being divided almost equally between the sexes. The tendency to insanity is greatest among the Irish. It is least among the Canadians.

An English physician has discovered a way of producing local anaesthesia without the loss of consciousness or the use of ether or chloroform. He uses moderate currents of electricity frequently interrupted.

After a trial of two sessions daily in the high schools of Cleveland a return has been made to the one-session plan.

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By the way

The Editor of the Age-Herald, speaking of the advantages of Birmingham, asserted that the reason that that city was free from malarial deseases, was the fact of the lime soil in that section which absorbes and distroyes the germs. What is trne of Birmingham is true of Montevallo. The health record of a town is its greatest recomendation. With fine spring water at the door of all the homes in town, every inhabitant would be a walking advertisment for the town.

Dont forget what we said last week about cleaninfi up tne place. If yon have anp tenants who are not doing their duty in this line, see that it is done. Another one of the town Physicians said the latter part of last week. "Mr. Editor, please keep reminding the people to clean up their places".

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And soft wind whispers to me,
And the murmuring pines all agree
To murmur your name when I sigh?

When birds that fly in the blue,
And the clouds in the etherial dome
Would know if my heart dared to roam,
Or prove for one moment untrue?;

When the heart that throbs in me,
And soul that stirs me within,
With anguish would cry 'ganst the sin
If ever I try to forget thee?.

Thomas Freeman.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ITEMS.

During the past week not a few Persons have visited the Dormitory. The girls almost "eat them up," and I am sure no person receives a heartier welcome anywhere than we give. Is it not strange that we never fully realize how much we do think of our friends and relatives until, far away at a boarding school, we receive an unexpected visit! Even slight acquaintances are pounced upon and welcomed with a hearty hand-clasp, as we ask question after question. Yes, if you wish a heart-warming welcome, just take tea with us.

Ah! that strikes a memory chord! Monday A M. President Reynolds gave a very earnest talk from the rostrum, full of truth and promise for the future. Then he dined very unexpectedly at the Dormitory. It certainly is pleasant that our table has so many visitors.

Sunday morning quite awhile before the dinner bell rang, the reception hall was full to overflowing with blooming damsels. In fact, more persons were in the hall than for some time. Can any one imagine why all determined to be on time this particular day?

Lieutenant Hooper and Mr. Bargenier spent Sunday at the Dormitory with their respective sisters.

Mrs. De Bardelaben made her daughter a short visit the past week.

Mr. Beall spent a few hours Sunday with his daughter, Miss Tramellah.

Mrs. Taylor is visiting her sister, Miss Isabelle Terrell. A certain young lady told me to say that she was visiting her also, but I won't, Rie might not like it.

Who believes that a wishbone is no fallacy? How came it to be over the door any way?

Last Saturday night, the scene in the hall at the Dormitory was a lively one. We had special permission to stay down till nine o'clock, and every moment was thoroughly enjoyed. Certainly some of the girls here are "new women."

Only a gymnasium will satisfy the longing in our hearts.

The new class rooms are almost finished, perhaps the next building will be the "gym."

Every girl in school takes physical culture, so Miss Granberry's classes are quite full.

The Dormitory girls are sorry they had no opportunity to see the teachers as they quitted the scene of their revelry on last Saturday night. We wanted to see the costumes, and especially Mrs. Babb's. Their voices full of myrth floated up to me as they were leaving. However so, we know the teachers enjoyed the "party."

The prayer meeting was well attended and interesting on Sunday night. The subject selected for next meeting is "Charity."

Who will play the writer agame of Tennis? I see the courts are vacant.

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WITH THE CHURCHES.

The weather last Sunday morning was delightful and both Methodist and Baptist churches were crowded.

It is gratifying to see the attendance and work of the Sunday schools improving. Splendid teachers have been selected and much enthusiasm has been aroused.

The Epworth League is being conducted in a non-denomination-al spirit and the young and old of all sects will be blessed and improved by attending.

Don't stay away from your prayer meetings on account of a little bad weather. Your spiritual relation with your God and your fellow man is the most important business of your life.

Pastor Reynolds preached at the Baptist church at 11 o'clock A. M. and at 7:30 P. M. His subject for the evening service was, "Sin and its influence." The text was selected from Mark 15–15. He compared the life of sin to the mad man who broke the chains and wandered among the tombs. In eloquent language sin and disipation, was discribed as a breaking away from all ties of love and friendship and wrecking itself in the tombs of selfishness and degredation.

Pastor Abernathy filled the pulpit, as usual at the M. E. church his subject being, "the necessity of sacrafice in the christian life." It is not enough, he said, to merely attend church, to pray or sing but, to be a true Christian, we must be fully imbued with Christ and his spirit; so much so that all self ambition, and pleasure, will cease to influence us. Great success in any line is only acquired through effort and selfsacrafice and the glory of genius and charactor, and christian man and womanhood is built through disappointments and trials.

Ladies, call and see the lates style of capes at Morgan Bros.

RECITAL FRIDAY EVENING

At College Chapel

The teachers of the Industrial, assisted by local talent will render a fine program on Friday evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Granberry has kindly consented to give her assistance, so with our well known music teachers, together with our gifted elocution teacher, we may confidently expect a delightful entertainment. A charge of 15 cents will be made at the door. The proceeds of the entertainment to go to the worn out preachers of the North Ala. conference. No more worthy cause could ask for your patronage. Let's give them a good house.

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MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

Kitchener does not sound like a name to conjure with, but it is about the most popular name in England just now.

The efficiency of torpedo boats must not be too hastily condemned Remember not one of them has had opportunity in this war under American seamen.

With reference to the disarmament proposition, several European powers, after glancing over the map regretfully, conclude that one more fight is absolutely necessary.

In an article in the Revue des Deux Mondes M. Fouille declares that, while the modern Greeks are not descended wholly from Slavs, as some have maintained, they certainly are not lineal descendants of the great peoples who made Greece famous.

The French are delightful. What could be more humorous than their lack of humor, says the New York Sun. For instance, there was a terrible wreck on the Western railroad the other day. At the wholesale funeral of the victims of gross negligence, M. Foulon, the agent of the line, placed all the blame on the forces of nature. He assailed "matter" thus: "Being conquered by science it keeps quiet for weeks, months, and sometimes years. It is under the yoke a seemingly docile servant, then it revolts and furiously sets at defiance the most careful calculations, the most far-sighted precautions. Rebellious matter bursts out in firedamp in collieries, in stupendous shipwrecks like the one now fresh in every memory, in factory disasters, in railway catastrophes. Hence the rending of hearts and wrenching of souls, and the public mournings like the one in which we all unite today." Could Pascal have done better? How philosopical! How correctly fatalistic! Can we wonder that this nation should desire to honor sailors who escape from a shipwreck, leaving the women behind to perish.

The Berlin (Germany) Post is publishing a series of letters from Teheran which represent the condition of Persia as absolutely hopeless. The writer declares that the country is moribund, and quite incapable of offering any resistance to external attack. He says that the internal decomposition is spreading more and more rapidly. All idea of patriotism has ceased to exist, and the great traditions of the country are forgotten. There is nothing left that the Persians, and especially the people of Teheran, would not sell for a piece of silver. Gold is no longer to be seen. The higher classes and the officials are corrupt, and the lower orders are shamelessly plundered, and thrown into a dangerous state of religious excitement by fanatical Mollahs, who teach them that all other nations are infidels and unclean, and who fan their contempt for Europeans by all imaginable means. This is only when Europeans are not present. When they are, the Mollahs treat them with mean servility. No Persian, he says, high or low, thinks lying, perjury or fraud disgraceful. On the contrary, they are regarded as marks of wisdom.

RACE WAR IN MISSISSIPPI.

The Battle Continued Several Hours, and at Least Twelve Men Killed.

WHITE OFFICERS AMBUSHED BY NEGROES.

The Fight Was the Result of an Attempt to Arrest a Negro—The Whole County is Aroused—Race Trouble in North Carolina.

A Sunday's special from Meridian, Miss., says: The most bloody race war that has occurred in Mississippi since the days of the reconstruction period, is raging in Scott county, fifty miles west of Meridian. The war grew out of an assault on Charles D. Freeman, a white man by Bill Burke, a negro. Freeman and Burke became involved in a quarrel which ended in Burke assaulting Freeman with a hoe. A warrant was sworn out for the arrest of Burke and Constable Thompson, with fifteen men, went to the house of Burke, who live a mile from Harperville, at 9 o'clock last night to execute the writ. When Constable Thompson and his posse arrived they found Burke fortified in his little log house, with fifty or sixty negroes ambushed on the premises and the officers' demand for a surrender was answered with a volley.

Officer Sibley, one of the posse, was instantly killed and three others, including Constable Thompson, seriously wounded. The posse was thrown into confusion by the volleys, but the fire was returned and for a time a desperate battle raged in the dark. The negroes were greatly in the majority, however, and the officers retired and sent out runners for help. The sheriff responded with heavy reinforcements and the battle was renewed this morning. The fight has been kept up all day and when the last courier reached the nearest telegraph office, ten miles from the scene of the battle, at a late hour tonight, they reported that ten negroes had been killed and several wounded. Four negroes were captured and taken to Forest, where they were guarded by 200 white men to prevent their rescue by negro sympathizers. A general alarm has been sent out over Scott and the adjoining counties of Rankin, Newtown and Smith and hundreds of white men are under arms and on their way to Harperville.

Gov. A. J. McLaurin left Brandon for Harperville Sunday night.

RACE WAR IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Whites at Lumberton Telegraphing for Winchesters.

A special from Lumberton, N. C., says: At 3 o'clock Sunday morning a squad of the negroes who were dispersed at Ash Pole, Robeson county, crept up to the town and shot three whites stationed there as guards. They were Albert Floyd, Robert Inman and Wm. Bullard. Bullard is seriously wounded, the others slightly. A hundred whites with bloodhounds are now in pursuit, and four of the negroes have been caught. There is great excitement at all points in the state in telegraphic communication with Lumberton. The whites are telegraphing the principal towns in the state for Winchester rifles to be sent there immediately.

Lynching in Alabama.

John Anderson, colored, charged with the murder of Charles Holmes, a well-known white farmer, was taken from jail at Lafayette early Sunday morning by a large mob, composed of people from Fredonia and West Point, Ga. Anderson was dragged to the edge of town, his body strung up to a pole and his body riddled with bullets. Anderson had been for years a tenant on Holmes' farm, and the killing was the result of a dispute over money matters.

ANNEXATION IN FAVOR.

Majority of Philippine Insurgents Voted to Become a Part of the United States.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The United States transport Rio De Janeiro, which arrived here Saturday, brought advices to the Associated Press, dated Manila, September 22.

The Philippine chiefs have been in session since September 15. The first thing decided was that the Philippine republic should not countenance any policy that should be agreed upon whereby Spain would have anything further to do with the islands and would resist by force of arms any such measure. A vote was taken on the policy of annexation to the American republic and annexation was decided upon by a large majority, some seven out of eight voting in favor of it. Aguinaldo now expresses himself as personally in favor of annexation, adding that he does not think that the natives generally will support such a policy.

When interviewed by the Associated Press representative on September 11, Aguinaldo stated that his army consists of 37,000 insurgents, regularly armed and equipped with modern weapons, and that he had some 9,000 prisoners of war at this time, including the larger portion now being held in the vicinity of Manila. He stated that an army of 100,000 could easily be raised to fight for the cause of independence, adding that "the whole population is willing to fight for the cause of independence, and will oppose any European power taking possession."

When asked how it was that so many natives openly declare themselves in favor of annexation to America, he stated that the natives who profess to favor annexation are insincere.

He expressed himself as entertaining the greatest friendship for the American people, adding that he hoped there would be no trouble between the republic of the Philippines and America.

ANTI-AMERICAN CAMPAIGN

Is Being Waged by the Cubans—Abetted by Spaniards.

HAVANA.—The Cuban general, Rego, has arrived from Puerto Principe and is preaching in the Havana cafes and the insurgent camps near the city a holy war against the Americans. He has interviewed many of the leaders of the Cubans, and has urged the carrying on of war against the Americans if independence is not at once granted to Cuba. The Cuban colonel, Torriente, has also arrived at Havana from the east, and is carrying on a strong campaign against the Americans and Calixto Garcia, whom he professes to to look upon as a traitor to the Cubans and as bribed by American gold.

A secret circular has been sent to the presidents of all the Cuban patriotic committees denouncing a large number of Cubans who are looked upon as traitors to the cause of Cuban independence and are charged with being attached to the Americans.

The Spanish colonel, Cervera, military governor of Mariano, advises the Cubans not to surrender their arms, and to make resistance until the independence of the island is declared. Colonel Cervera is an intimate friend of General Parrado, president of the Spanish evacuation commission.

COST OF THE EVACUATION.

Spanish Authorities Estimate the Amount Needed Will Reach $16,000,000.

The Spanish authorities at Havana estimate the total cost of evacuation will be $16,000,000. Twenty-four vessels will be employed to embark troops, of which six are hospital ships. The French mail steamers Chribon and Notre Dame, which have just arrived, have been chartered by the Trans-Atlantic company as transports.

The Spaniards evacuated Biaz on October 15.

FIRE AT OPELIKA.

One of the Most Disastrous Conflagrations in the History of the City.

Opelika was visited at 2 o'clock Monday morning by one of the most disastrous fires in the history of the city. From some unknown cause fire broke out in the large furniture store of B. Y. Cooper & Sons, and building and stock were soon a mass of flames. The two-story building adjoining, owned by F. Watkins, was badly damaged. The two-story Harwell building, west of the furniture store, caught next in a lower story, the grocery store of Goodwin & Lowe and the jewelry store of J. C. Condon. The loss is over $50,000. B. Y. Cooper & Sons suffered the greatest, having a $12,000 stock destroyed, with only $5.000 insurance. The other losses are about half covered.

SERIOUS TROUBLE PREDICTED.

Indians Have Commenced Killing Cattle Belonging to Texans.

A special from Perry, O. T., says: Serious trouble is brewing among the Comanche, Kiowa and Apache Indians. For thirty years since the Medicine Lodge treaty, the government has fed these Indians, but that treaty expired July 1. They have commenced killing cattle belonging to Texas cattlemen, and a crisis is near. These Indians have no crops, few cattle and have had no money for months. Men who know predict great starvation among them this winter and serious trouble. There are 1,500 Comanches, 1,300 Kiowas and 600 Apaches.

Alabama's Crop Conditions.

The crop report for October shows a slight falling off in the cereal condition throughout the United States, as compared with October, 1897. The average yield of bushels per acre and average conditions of the crops of Alabama on October 1 were as follows: Oats, 16.8; rye, 11.1; corn, 95 per cent; cotton, 76 per cent; Irish potatoes, 71 per cent; tobacco, 87 per cent; sweet potatoes, 96 per cent; sorghum, 97 per cent; sugar, 99 per cent; rice, 95 per cent; apples, 67 per cent.

Death of Colonel Pickett.

Colonel R. O. Pickett, the oldest member of the Florence bar, died Monday, in Leighton, Ala. Colonel Pickett was about 85 years old, and a unique character. He was a merchant in Florence in the thirties, but afterward read law with James Irvine and practiced at Moulton, Lawrence county, until the breaking out of the war, when he enlisted as captain in the Thirty-fifth Alabama, and was made a colonel before the war ended.

Physical Examination of First Alabama.

The work of mustering out the First Alabama goes steadily on. The surgeons began making the physical examinations of the men on Sunday, Company I being the first examined. Companies G, D and M have been completed. A great many of the men are found defective, that is a great many more than was supposed there should be. A great many of the men are entitled to pensions.

To Establish Toll Gates.

It is reported that Colbert county, Alabama, which has within the last several years expended $200,000 on turnpike roads, will instruct its representative, Hon. Wilson R. Brown, in the next legislature, to introduce a bill providing for the establishment of toll gates to protect its roads from the free use by persons of adjoining counties.

Commission at Anniston.

The war investigating commission, at Anniston, sat from 9 o'clock to 5:30 Monday, and examined about a dozen witnesses, including a number of officers and men of the regular troops, as well as a number of volunteer officers. The commission will leave for Huntsville Tuesday night.

LAWS TO GOVERN SANTIAGO

General Wood Defines Rights of Cubans Under American Rule.

PROCLAMATION IS VERY CLEARLY STATED.

Every Right of the Citizen is Protected in the Courts—Right to Worship God According to Conscience is Guaranteed to Every Individual.

SANTIAGO.—General Wood, military governor pro tem of the department of Santiago, Friday issued a proclamation in ten sections, which is a sort of declaration of independence. The first articles guarantee to the people the right of assembly for the common good and to apply to those in power by petition or remonstrance for the redress of grievances.

The second section guarantees the right to worship God according to individual conscience, provided there is no interference with any existing form of worship.

The third section directs that courts of justice shall be open to all and that no private property shall be taken by the government without compensation.

The fourth section, dealing with criminal trials, invests the accused with the right to be heard himself or by counsel, and to have compulsory process to secure the attendance of a witness in his behalf.

The fifth section says no person accused of crime shall be compelled to give evidence against himse f.

The sixth section d clares that no person who is once accused of the charge brought against him shall be tried again for the same offense.

The seventh section provides that all persons charged with crime shall be entitled to bail, except in cases of capital offense, and that the writ of haheas corpus may not be suspended except the commanding general of the department deems it advisable.

The eighth section says that excessive bail shall not be required, and that no excessive fine or unusual punishment shall be inflicted.

The ninth section provides that in order to secure the people against unreasonable search there shall be first established under oath a presumption of guilt.

The tenth section guarantees to all the right to write or print freely on any matter, subject to responsibility for abuse of right.

The municipal laws are to be administered in accordance with these declarations of rights, subject to modifications, which, in the judgment of the commanding general, would be beneficent, and promote the principles of enlightened civilization.

HARD FIGHTING IN TRANSVAAL.

Tribe Rebels Against the Government and Troops Are Called Out.

PRETORIA.—Serious trouble is brewing with the Magato tribe in the Zoulpansberg district, south of the Limpo river. The natives recently massacred a Lutheran missionary and his family at the town of Zoulpansberg and the Transvaal government sent an expedition to punish them. The affair has now assumed serious proportions. Chief Opefu, with 20,000 followers fully armed, with four cannon, supplied by white traders, has attacked the Laager.

The ultimatum of the commanding officer of the Transvaal troops, General Joubert, demanding an unconditional surrender, has been ignored by the tribesmen and he has summoned 3,000 burghers to re-enforce the 5,000 now in the field.

Steam has been raised on the City of Mobile at Mobile in order to try her machinery. The test proved all to be in perfect order. It will soon be plying the waters of the Alabama.

M'KINLEY TALKS IN TWO STATES.

President Crosses Indiana and Ohio on His Return Trip.

CINCINNATI, O.—One continuous ovation marked the passage of President McKinley over the states of Indiana and Ohio. Defying the wind and rain of a most disagreeable October day, the citizens of these states congregated in great numbers at every station along the line, and never were they disappointed, for the president graciously appeared at every point where the crowds awaited his coming to speak a few words.

Perhaps the most imposing demonstration of the day was at Indianapolis, where the streets through which the president was driven to the state house were jammed with cheering people. Here, on the steps of the state capitol, almost within the shadow of the statue of Thomas A. Hendricks, the president delivered one of the most striking and eloquent addresses of his long western tour. In the course of it he paid grateful tribute to the memory of Hendrics, and referred also to ex-President Harrison, both of which references were received by the people with deafening applause.

At Connorsville, Ind., a 2-months-old baby was handed over the railing of the rear platform into the arms of Secretary Wilson, who presented it to the president, his youngest namesake, William McKinley.

STORM IN SOUTHERN TEXAS.

Much Damage Done to Cotton—Building Demolished—A Railroad Smash-up.

The wind and electrical storm which swept over Texas was very severe in South Texas. Damage to cotton is enormous. Damage to cotton is enormous. At Deer Park, twenty miles from Houston, the residence of C. E. Adams was demolished. At Pasadena the residence of John Stout was wrecked and the six occupants were injured. At Missouri City a number of freight cars were blown from the siding out on the main track. The California express, running forty miles an hour, dashed into the cars at full speed. George Johnson, of San Antonio, the engineer, was killed. None of the passengers were hurt.

Farmer Accidentally Killed.

Wednesday, near Nicholson, Jackson county, Georgia, an old farmer named Hunt met a tragic death. He was driving his wagon along the road and was sitting high up on two bales of cotton. The wagon struck a stump and pitched the old man off. His head and body struck a stump with great violence. His skull was crushed and several ribs were broken. Death ensued in a few hours.

No Battle at Manila.

The sensational Spanish report of a naval battle between Admiral Dewey's vessels and the insurgent navy in the Philippines is received with absolute incredulity in both the navy and war departments. If there has been any recent action, Admiral Dewey has failed to mention it, and neither General Otis nor United States Consul Wildman have regarded it as worthy of notice.

Want the Colored Cavalry.

The Philadelphia peace jubilee committee has telegraphed General Wheeler requesting him to allow the Tenth cavalry, colored, to be sent to Philadelphia to participate in the parade. The committee offers to pay all expenses incurred by the regiment during the trip.

Bought Land in Cuba.

An American syndicate, representing Detroit capital, has purchased a large tract of land at Manzanillo, Cuba, which contains several good iron mines.

Colonel Alston Dead.

Colonel Joseph R. Alston, First South Carolina, died Friday, at Yorkville, S. C., while waiting orders prior to mustering out.

ALABAMA NEWS GLEANINGS.

Interesting Items Gathered From All Parts of Our Commonweath.

The new prohibition law at Montevallo promises to do up the blind tigers.

John Johnson, until recently keeper of the railroad bridge spanning the Alabama river at Selma, was stricken with paralysis Friday.

W. L. McCain shot and killed a negro named Lewis Fleming, near Wetumpka. It is said the negro tried to do Mr. McCain hurt by choking him.

Mr. R. H. Baker died last week, after an illness of several days. He was 70 years of age, and for a number of years was a prominent merchant of Selma.

Athens is to have a carriage factory. Joseph H. Calvin is at the head of the enterprise and hopes to have the buildings ready for work at the first of the year.

Duncan S. McLaughlin died last week at Powderly, aged 80 years. He was born in Jefferson county, one year and eighteen days before the state was admitted to the union.

A colored girl about 18 years of age named Mary Jackson, living near Englewood, Tuskaloosa county, was found a few days since near the railroad track shot through the head and side.

So far 318 students have matriculated at the Polytechnic institute at Auburn. These students have reported themselves as being connected with the following churches: Methodist, 137; Baptist, 82; Presbyterian, 42; Episcopal, 37; Catholic, 10; Hebrew, 7.

The state department of agriculture is shipping out to the farmers quantities of winter grazing oats for seed. The variety is especially adapted to furnishing winter pasture, being too hardy to be killed by the frost, and afterwa d furnishing a stand to ma ture in the spring.

The strike among the miners at Blossburg, Jefferson county, has been declared off and work has been resumed at that point. The Sloss Iron and Steel Company has acquiesced in the demands of the men that they be not taxed for schools, but be allowed to run their own places of education.

Near Brown's Station, Dallas county, Jim Perkins shot Sam Didlake, killing him instantly. Both were negroes. An argument arose between the two as to which was the better man. Didlake started toward Perkins in a threatening manner, when the latter pulled a pi tol from his pocket and fired.

Mr. F. M. Perry, the largest capitalist and landholder in Lauderdale county, who is at present spending about $100,000 in the erection of a flouring mill and cotton gin on Cypress creek, just outside the city limits of Florence, is said now to be figuring upon the cost of an electric plant to be run by the same water power.

The trial of Albert Teague, who shot and killed Walter Clarke, depot agent at Guntersville about three months ago, was concluded Friday, the jury returning a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The punishment inflicted was confinement in the penitentiary for thirty-five years.

The Hunters' Syndicate of Selma, which has posted about 25,000 acres of land, has excited the displeasure of the non-land holder who is the owner of a cheap gun and a bird dog. Some have gone so far as to say positively they will have no business dealings with any member of the club, and will boycott any retail dealer purchasing goods from any member of said club.

According to returns published by the British board of trade, the imports of American pig iron into Great Britain during the first six months of 1898 aggregated 30,231 tons, valued at $332,155, and of American steel, unwrought, 12,832 tons, valued at $325,980:

STATE TOPICS OF INTEREST.

The Second Regiment Ready to Be Mustered Out.

The Second Alabama regiment is again in camp at the state fair grounds, Montgomery. The camp discipline has been greatly relaxed and the remaining ten days or two weeks of enlistment will be devoid of laborious work. All of the guns and accoutrements, excepting enough to equip the daily guard detail, have been boxed up, preparatory to being sent to the government arsenal at Columbia, Tenn. The mustering out will begin on Friday. It is stated that since the troops realize that they are to be mustered out of service beyond any doubt, many who were before the furloughs anxious to be given a chance to return to private life are now disposed to remain in service and go to Cuba. In fact, it is stated that several companies will be organized after the disbandment of the regiment and offer themselves to the war department to be assigned to uncompleted regiments from other states.

Selma's Usual Killing.

The almost regular Saturday night affair of one Negro killing another came off on schedule time at Selma Saturday night when Coger Barnum shot and killed Bill Lipscomb. The two Negroes were in a saloon in East Selma, drinking. A quarrel ensued, and Barnum pulled his British bulldog and fired. The first shot failed to take effect, but the second entered Lipscomb's mouth, coming out at the back of his head. Death was almost instantaneous. This is number eleven on the homicidal calendar for Dallas county since January 1, 1898.

Industrial Deal of Magnitude.

The West Point Mining Company, Florence, have purchased the assets of the West Point Mining and Manufacturing Company. The new company has a paid up capital of $50,000, the assets consisting of 100 acres of inexhaustible ore deposits and a lease of the West Point Iron Company, of West Point, Tenn. The mines have the best brown hematite ore in the South, running the lowest in phosphorus, with a capacity of 500 tons a day.

Big Fire Loss.

Saturday morning about 2:30 fire broke out in a suburban store in the southwestern part of Montgomery and was not checked until it had consumed a negro church and pastorate and six or seven stores and shops. The African Methodist Episcopal church Zion, a large frame building, was consumed, as was the dwelling house of the pastor. The total loss is about $20,000, with about 50 per cent of insurance.

Will Curtail Acreage.

The low price of cotton has so discouraged the farmers of the Abbeville section that a great many have resolved to plant only a few acres of the fleecy staple during the next year and have decided to discontinue the use of guano altogether. They will devote their time to raising stock, corn, oats and peas, and will locate their smokehouses, not in the west, but on their own farms.

New Trial Denied.

Judge John Bruce, of the United States court, Huntsville, has denied the motion for a new trial in the case of Chess and Walter Motes, Dodge Blankenship, John Littlejohn and Jasper Robinson, convicted of killing W. A. Thompson near Sylacauga, Talladega county, last March. The case will go to the supreme court of the United States.

Camp Albert G. Forse.

General Joseph Wheeler left Huntsville Saturday for Philadelphia, to be present at the peace jubilee. Camp Wheeler went out of existence today, when General Wheeler issued an order changing its name to Camp Albert G. Forse, in compliment to the gallant captain who was killed in the cavalry charge on San Juan.

DIRECTORY.

CHURCHES.

BAPTIST.—Rev. M. P. Reynolds, pastor; preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., W. Lyman, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30. Sunbeam Society first and third Sundays at 3 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society meets at 4 p. m. on Monday after the second and fourth Sundays.

METHODIST—Rev. P. L. Abernethy, pastor; preaching every first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 9:30 a. m., D. L. Wilkinson, Superintendent. Christian Endeavor Society every Sunday at 5:30 p. m.

Presbyterian services at the Methodist church every second Sabbath.

REV. W. I. INNOTT,
Pastor.

LODGES.

Central Lodge No. 70, A. F. & A. M.—Meets on Monday night before the first full moon in each month.

J. ALEX. MOORE, W. M
F. F. CROWE, Sec'y.

W. J. Hardy Lodge No. 52, K. of P.—Meets every second and fourth Monday nights in each month

C. F. ROBINS, C. C.
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LOCAL.

Prof. W. C. Carpenter, spent last Saturday in town.

See the celebrated line of Fountain shirts at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Prof. Williams, of Belle Ellen, spent Sunday in the city.

Call and see the new lot of saddles and bridles at Morgan Bros.

Mr. Alex Wall, formely of this place, came through the city Sunday.

C. L. Meroney & Co. sel pure high grade groceries.

Prof. Roberts has a class in dancing at Aldrich.

Buy your fall suit, best and cheapest at C. L. Meroney & Co

Morgan Bros, has as fine a line of carpets as is found any where. Call and see them.

Don't injure your eyes. Martin the Jeweler keeps spectacles suitable for school girls and all ages.

Four of the Montevallo girls had a delightful outing amoung the hills Saturday last, gathering chestnuts. They report the nuts plentifull.

Heiser's celebrated line of mens high grade shoes at C. L. Meroney & Co.

LUMP COAL from Imogene mines kept always on hand Delivered on short notice C C Vandegrift

If you want any thing, have lost any thing, let the world know in the want column. Only one cent a word.

Have you seen the beautiful stationery at W B McCluney & Co.

Montevallo is fortunate as to a Post Master. Dr. F. F. Crowe and his efficent assistant is all that is to be expected in dealing with the public.

They go like hot cakes, those delicious cakes at F. F. Crowe & Co.

H. R. Thomas, of Lynch, was in town on business Saturday.

A beautiful, new line of capes are on exhibition at Morgan Bros

L. A. Rice, of Six-Mile, visited the city last week.

Perfumery?. Best line at McCluny & Co's.

R. C. Wilson came down from Calera to trade in Montevallo Saturday.

COAL delivered at short notice from Imogene mines. C. C. Vvndegrift.

Dr. E. A. Wilson, of Birmingham, spent several days in the city last weeek.

Dose your watch keep good time? If not have it examied at Martins the Jeweler.

Hon. William Aldrich, candidate for congress will speak in Montevallo on Monday November 7th at 10 o'clock.

New clothing this week at Morgan Bros.

J. M. Beam, of Thorsby, came up Saturday on business.

Buy a new stove, best at Morgan Bros.

S. A. Curry and wife, of Brierfield, visited town Friday and Saturday.

That chocolate cake at F. F. Crowe & Co. is delicious.

Newton Eddings who has been in Belle Ellen for several months, has moved back to Montevallo.

Why does F F Crowe &Co sell more candy than any body else? Because it is the best and cheapest

J. D. Scott, of Dogwood, was in town Saturday.

Our line of hats are up to-date, see them before you buy. Morgan Bros

E. Eddings, was in the city Saturday. He has moved from Six-Mile to Chilton.

Tenneys candies in packages only at Mc Cluney & Co's.

How does 250 leaves in one tablet for 5 cents suit you?. None larger. Comparison challenged at McCluney & Co's.

W. A. Walker, of Dogwood, was in town on business last Saturday.

Toilet Soaps in endless variety at McCluney & Co's.

W. L Nicholes, of Evergreen, spent later part of last week in Montevallo.

Ladies buy Krippendorf, Dittman fine shoes from C. L. Meroney & Co.

W. H. Bennett was in town Saturday. He says that Montevallo is getting to be the best market in the country.

Well cooked light bread is the most healthful. Get it at the New Bakery, Bests old stand. R. T. Newton proprietor.

E. L. Mulky and wife came up from Brierfield Saturday on business.

Something new, peanut cocoanut filakes at F. F. Crowe & Co,

An entertainment was given at the Brierfield Academy last Friday night which was enjoyed by all.

See those bueatiful new style ribbons at Morgan Bros.

Miss Annie Kavassa, of Trio visited her brother at Brierfield last weeek.

J. W. Martin has just received a lot of handsome new watches. Call and see them.

Mr. Steele, of Ross Station spent several days in Brierfield last week and part of this.

The flavor and variety of F. F Crowe & Co,s candies is remarkable.

Found—on the streets, in the suberbs, by some of Montevallo's pretty yong ladies'; a "monkey" wrench. The owner may recover his property by calling at this office and paying for this advertisment

The home of Dr, F. F. Crowe was made glad Tuesday by the wail of a new born son of man.

Col Hazzard went up to Calera later part af last week to visit his sister and returned Sunday afternoon.

Lieutenant Hooper, of Huntsville, spent last Sunday in Montevallo. He has a sister here in the Industrial.

Beware! Beware! We learn that some ferocious wild beast, of the hog family have been roaming the street of Montevallo this week One of them attacted a baby, (A colored variety), one day and came very near devouring it,s bread.

Bigest pencil tablets in America for five cents at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Senator Morgan—will speak in Monrevallo next Saturday, Oct 29th

Go to C. L. Meroney & Co for a perfect fitting suit of clothes.

Rev. W. H. Carnell of Six Mile, was in Montevallo Tnesday. He will move here in a short time and his daughter will attend the Industrial.

True artistic taste has been shown in the selection of the new line of fall prints at Morgan Bros. Prices from 3½ to 5c

Lecture.

Editor Thos. N. Freeman, will lecture at the Baierfield Accadamy next Friday evening at 7.15. Subject "Genius". Every body is invited, especialy the young ladies and young men.

"Don't read trash," Read the best weekly and monthly magazines, subscribe at W B McCluney & Co.

Mr T. J. Perry and wife of Birmingham, came up Sunday morinng. Mr Perry returned Sunday night but Mr Perry rsmains in the city for the present

Laundry Rogan. Leave your laundry at Rogan's on Wednesday and get it on Saterday.

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We will gladly receive short correspondence of not over 200 words, on any subject of general interest, provided it is accompanied by the author's name and address. Being nonpartizan, we are not responsible for any ideas expressed in communications.

We learn this week that Lieutenant T. S. Kyle, of Gadsden, may posibly become a candidate for Rail Road commissioner. We have known Mr. Kyle from childhood and there is no man that posseses a nobler heart or a more honerable purpose in life, and these qualities, coupled with his well known ability, would highly qualify him for the important position of R. R. Commissioner. Should Lieutenant Kyle decide to become a candidate, he will have an enthusiastic support, esspecially in North Alabama.

From the Bulletin, Monroe, La.

We are glad to see that our friend Thomas N. Faeeman, who resided in ward nine of this parish last year, is editor of the Montevallo News, a neat and able newspaper in one of foremost cities and sections of Alabama, a center of culture, welth and enterprise. We congratulate him and wish him great success.

These are days of pluck and enierprise, dash and spirit and old fogyism will not be tolerated in any form; but that is no reason why people should spend their last hard earned dollar for somthing to orniment themselves with. Of course we want to look neat but that is no cause why every thing should be put on the back and so little in the brain. The thing which makes a sensible person "weary" is to see a young lady or young man, moving in the best society, dressed in the latest styles and often costliest goods; young people who have had all the advantages of an education but refused it, who have'nt learning enough to know the difference between Oxygen and gravey, or whether Jonah swollowed the whale or the whale was swollowed by Jonah, or if Nepoleon surrendered at Saritoga, or Mathew Arnold wrote the Last Days of Pompaie, or Shakespear was the author of Pope's Essay on Man. The dear old John Westly struck the keynote when he wrote in the rules of the societies "not the puting on of costly apparel". Money spent on clothes which is for more than comfort and neatness, is of all expindatures the least beneficial.

We have been in the habit of looking at genius as a spontaneous growth, specias of abnormal development, but an investigtion into the lives of all famous men, will not uphold this conception. We will find that hard work — work from morn till night, work in dead hours of night, while the contented element of their fellow creatures were wandering in dreamland, is the fource that has made men great. Hard work never kills. It is the worries of life that distioyes the nerve fource and breakes down the helth. Form a plan in life and stick to it like grim death. Dont trust in genius.

Franklin said a great many things that were wise and otherwise. He said "earley to bed and early to rise will make a man healthey, wealthy and wise". It is true the man may be "healthey" who observes these rules, still we dont know what he ment by being "wise", but one thing is certain, no man in modern times has gained a considerable store of knowledge without burning the midnight oil, or the midnight "pine knot", as did Lincoln, and Franklin was no ecception to the rule. You may put it down that "there is no excelence without great labor".

It is with grea pleasure that we note the coming of the celebrated John T. Morgan to Montevalla next Saturday. Is it too much to say that he is the most famous senitor of all Republics?

It was with a fealing of sadness that we stood on the streets of Birmingham recently and saw United States Soldiers staggering through public places in beastly intoxication. We could not help comparing their degraded behavier, to the Spartian soldiers under Alexander the Greaty sober and brave and were never allowed to touch intoxicants. Is this a christian nation?.

Kicker.

When will the mossbacks shed their moss ank cease to oppose the incorporation of the town?.

Why do the citizens of Montevallo not petition the Alabama legislature to enact a law prohibiting brainsless dudes from flirting with school girls?.

The Ameican hog is considered a greet institution, but Col. C. C. Vanderfirift har an old sow we are opposed to. She is so remarkable smart that she can unlock gates, shake fruit taces and drink buttermilk out of a jug. We saggest the Kangaroo cort be convened for the purpose of making some disposition of her hogship.

We have been reliably informed tht there is now being put up on the market in varians prohibition destricts in the country, cocoanuts filled with a first class article of old Rye Whiskey. It is needless to say that they are meeting with ready sales. This is a nut for the Kongoroo Coart to crack.

There is certain miserablo class who never earn a living because they are afraid they mill do somthing too menial for their position in society. If you want to get on in life you must be willing to do anything however menial if it is honest, in ordei to earn a living. You must be like the man who put the sign out: "Here livith a man who don't refuse To Mend Umbrella, Collors, boots and Shoes.

The fine gentleman or lady who thinks it is beneath them to labor with thair hands, and who wait utill a first class position with a large salary turns up—well their friends generaly have to pay their funeral expensis.

Klantes.

DR. J. P. HALEY,

DENTIST,

Of Selma, Ala.

Will spend one week of every month in Montevallo. Will be at St. George Hotel, Monday, Nov. 7, 1898.

J. M. Reynolds,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

and Solicitor in Chancery.

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Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. 25 cents.

The Companion for the Rest of 1898.

The principal attractions offered by THE YOUTH'S COMPANION for the remaining weeks of 1898 provide a foretaste of the good things to follow in the new volume for 1899. To the first issue in November Frank R. Stockton will contribute a humorous sketch, entitled "Some of My Dogs," and in the issue for the week of November 10th will appear Rudyard Kipling's thrilling story of the heroism of soldiers in the ranks, "The Burning of the Sarah Sands." In the seven issues to follow there will be contributions by Lord Dufferin, William D. Howells, J. E. Chamberlin, the American war correspondent, Mary E. Wilkins, Hon. Thomas B. Reed, the Marquis of Lorne, Mme. Lillian Nordica and I. Zangwill. Those who subscribe now for the 1899 volume will receive every November and December issue of THE COMPANION from the time of subscription to the end of the year free, the Companion Calendar for 1899 free, and then the entire 52 issues of THE COMPANION to January 1, 1900. An illustrated announcement of the 1899 volume and sample copies will be sent free to any one addressing THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, BOSTON, MASS.

The Value of Beards.

Is a beard worth $10,000? This question will be decided by the supreme court of New York, in a suit brought by Max Meyer against a local electric company in New York city. During the recent electrical show in Madison Square Garden, Meyer was employed by the defendent company to exhibit a fluoroscope and X-ray outfit in operation. After ten days of this work he lost his whiskers and eyebrows as a result of too long and frequent exposure to the X-rays. He claims the defendant was negligent in not warning him of the danger he incurred. Hence the suit.—Electrical Review.

To prevent the entrance of vermin into pianos and organs by way of the pedal groove a piece of sheet metal is attached to the pedal inside the case to cover the opening and move with the pedal.

"I DO MY OWN WORK."

So Says Mrs. Mary Rochiette of Linden, New Jersey, in this Letter to Mrs. Pinkham.

"I was bothered with a flow which would be quite annoying at times, and at others would almost stop.

"I used prescriptions given me by my physician, but the same state of affairs continued.

"After a time I was taken with a flooding, that I was obliged to keep my bed. Finally, in despair, I gave up my doctor, and began taking your medicine, and have certainly been greatly benefited by its use.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has indeed been a friend to me.

"I am now able to do my own work, thanks to your wonderful medicine. I was as near death I believe as I could be, so weak that my pulse scarcely beat and my heart had almost given out. I could not have stood it one week more, I am sure. I never thought I would be so grateful to any medicine.

"I shall use my influence with any one suffering as I did, to have them use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

Every woman that is puzzled about her condition should secure the sympathetic advice of a woman who understands. Write to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., and tell her your ills.

An Aphorism from the Quarters.

'Yoh can't allus tell whaw ter put de credit by lookin' at de surface," said Uncle Eben. "De cork on de fishin' line dances aroun' an' 'tracts a heap o' 'tention. But it's de hook dat's doin' the business.—Washington Star.

During the last few months Oom Paul Krueger has begun to assume a little more of the pomp and ceremony of a president, and now has seven troopers to escort him from one government building to another.

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Mr. Curzon's Irish peerage is the twenty-fourth Irish peerage created since the union. Of the twenty-three previous post-union peerages only two have been conferred on Englishmen.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

President Diaz, of Mexico, has just bought a dog through a St. Louis dog fancier. It is a pointer, a bench-show champion at that, and is named McKinley.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco is the "best of the best." 2 ounces and cigarette book for 10 cents. Try it.

Prof. von Zenker, who in 1860 first discovered the trichina disease, died recently in Mecklenburg at the age of 73 years.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail druggists refund money.

The national hymns of China are of such extraordinary length that it is stated that half a day would be required to sing them through.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

A nephew of President Dole, of Hawaii, is campaigning in the Philippines. He is Alfred Dole, of Company K, First California volunteers. This command formed part of the first expedition to Manila.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo. O.
Sold by druggists, price 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The Theosophist missionary, Bramachari Bodhabhikshu, J. C. Chatterji, who has arrived in San Francisco, has abandoned his eastern costume for one of American make.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

The oldest of Oregon pioneers is the Rev John Smith Griffin, who was born in Vermont in 1807 and went to Oregon as a Congregational minister in 1839. For years he worked exclusively among the Indians.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggist.

In three years the expense of running an Atlantic steamship exceeds the cost of construction.

Piso's Cure cured me of a Throat and Lung trouble of three years' standing.—E. CADY, Huntington, Ind., Nov. 12, 1894.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R.H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

M. Edouard Drummont, the anti-Semitic leader in the French parliament, curiously enough, looks like a Hebrew.

Some Merchants insure their Stock and Houses and neglect their Children. Why not save the Mother's heart and Baby's life by carrying home a Box of DR. MOFFETT'S TEETHINA (TEETHING POWDERS)? Other fathers do it. TEETHINA Aids Digestion, Regulates the Bowels and makes teething easy.

ON THE BRINK OF WAR.

France and England Are Calmly Preparing for a Conflict.

TO SETTLE FASHODA DISPUTE WITH ARMS.

Critical Stage Reached in the Dispute Over the Territorial Occupation in Egypt—France Hoping Against Hope.

LONDON.—Never since Great Britain and France began to dispute over Egypt, nor during the most acute stage of the Niger differences between those countries, has the situation looked so ominous as today. In spite of the hope expressed in the sober journals of both countries that the matter would be amicably arranged, it is a fact that the French naval and military authorities are making feverish preparations for war, and though calm reigns at the British dock yards at Portmouth, Chatham and Devonport, it is only the calm of preparedness, and significant orders have been arriving there from the admiralty indicating the belief that Great Britain and France are on the brink of war.

Mr. Deblowitz, the Paris correspondent of the London Times writes: "Never before has there been witnessed such a state of fever as is now prevailing in Great Britain nor so great an exaltation of public feeling over a matter of foreign policy, while on her side France is promptly and rapidly, without looking forward, preparing to fight any power provoking her. Tke French statesmen, however, cling to the hope that the Marquis of Salisbury will offer some exchange which will enable them to retire from Fashoda without apparent sacrifice of dignity."

SOUTHERN PROGRESS.

The New Industries Reported in the South in a Week.

Among the new industries specially reported to the Chattanooga Tradesman during the week ended October 22, may be mentioned a basket and crate factory in Georgia; a broom factory in Kentucky; a carriage factory in Alabama; two coal mining companies in West Virginia; a $50,000 distillery in Kentucky; flouring mills in Arkansas, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia, and two in North Carolina; a furniture factory in North Carolina; a $100,000 specialty manufacturing company in Louisiana; knitting mills in Georgia and North Carolina; lumber mills in Alabama, Mississippi and West Virginia; a shingle mill in Louisiana, and a spool factory in Mississippi.

RAILROAD WRECK.

Freight Train Breaks In Two—Five Men Killed.

A wreck on the Rock Island near Fort Worth, Tex., resulted in the death of five men. Three others will die and two are seriously injured. A freight train broke in two at the top of a steep grade. The rear portion could not be stopped, and it crashed into the front section, wrecking and derailing several box cars. In one of the wrecked cars were ten men, evidently stealing a ride. Five of them were instantly killed and three are dying. Two escaped fatal injuries.

Ministerial Crisis.

The Madrid newspapers regard a ministerial crisis as imminent, and they urge the ministers o sink their differences in view of Spain's many difficulties.

Two Men Killed.

One of the houses of the Judson Dynamite Works at Oakland, Cal., blew up Saturday. The explosion killed two men.

PREPARING FOR BATTLE.

British Admiralty Hurrying Ships for War—French Active at Toulon.

LONDON.—The British Admiralty issued a number of significant orders Monday morning. The dock yards at Portsmouth, Devonport and Chatham have each received instructions to prepare six thirty-knot torpedo boat destroyers for commissioning so that they will be able to put to sea in twenty-four hours. Overtime hours have begun on the first-class cruisers Europa and Andromeda so as to hurry them for sea service. Several gunboats in the different dock yards have been ordered to postpone necessary refitting. Finally, the Cunard line and White Star line have received from the admiralty an intimation to hold their subsidized steamers in readiness for turning over to the navy officials.

Preparing at Toulon.

PARIS.—The muncipal authorities of Toulon have been notified that that place will be the center of important naval and military preparations, and have been instructed to arrange for the immediate reception of four battalions of infantry, 1,500 marines and 600 artillerymen.

The naval authorities have been ordered to expedite the preparations for the outfitting of the new squadron.

The newspapers here warmly praise the exposition of the French side of the Fashoda question presented by the minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse, in the yellow book, on the subject issued Sunday.

Ordered to Mobilize.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The commanders of all warships of the British North American squadron have received orders to mobilize at Halifax. The Pallis, Talbot and Indefatigable will come here at once, together with two torpedo boat destroyers now at Bermuda. The torpedo boats at the dock yard are being overhauled. The crew of the flagship Renown will be sent to Lawler's Island this week for field practice. The Renown went to sea Monday for heavy gun practice.

Joint Traffic Association Illegal.

The United States supreme court Monday decided the joint traffic association railroad case in favor of the United States and against the railroads. The case is considered one of the most important that has ever come before the supreme court, not only to the railroads, but to the general public, and because of the vast railway properties represented by the traffic association.

Evacuation of Porto Rico Completed.

The evacuation of Porto Rico was completed by sailing of last detachment of Spanish troops Sunday.

The members of the insular cabinet took the oath of allegiance to the United States with befitting solemnity. They will issue a manifesto announcing their resolution to avoid partisan politics and end party strife.

Trouble in Madrid Cabinet.

Lieutenant-General Correa, minister of war, threatens to resign unless the government upholds the action of General Chincilla, captain-general of Madrid, who last week imprisoned Senor Figuerea, editor of El Nacional, for publishing an article not previously submitted to the censor.

"Wild Bill" Killed.

"Wild Bill" Turner, a noted character in the mountains, was shot and killed by Will Coombs. Turner kept a moonshine saloon on the State line between Kentucky and Tennessee and had made a fortune. He had killed several men. He is the sixth brother killed and is the last of the family.

Chinese Emperor's Affliction.

The emperor of China is believed to be afflicted with an incurable kidney disease, though it is probable that he will linger for a considerable time.

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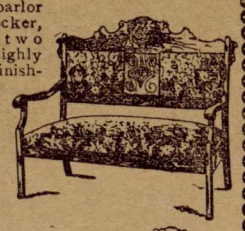

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A Wasp's Mistake.

It is generally supposed that instinct unerringly teaches birds and insects the best way in which to build their homes or nests, and also to provide for their offspring. The following incident, recently under personal observation, will show that instinct is not always infallible:

A friend placed three small empty vials in an open box on a shelf, in an upright position in close contact, and they were uncorked. A short time afterward it was a matter of surprise to find that these had been appropriated by a female mud wasp. She had placed a goodly number of spiders in the center vial, doubtless intended as food for her future brood; then proceeded to deposit her eggs in those on either side. She next closed tightly the mouths of all three receptacles with a hard lime cement. Having finished her work she then, doubtless, went on her way, satisfied all had been done for her offspring that a thoughtful mother could do.

But just think of the sensations of those little wasps when they came into existence, for, while starving in their sealed cages, they can plainly see, through the impenetrable glass walls, the bountiful supply of food that was provided for their use.—Scientific American.

Among the three major-generals of volunteers who will be deprived of their commissions and returned to regular army duty are Generals Hawkins and Kent, both heroes of the Santiago campaign. Both are West Pointers, life-long soldiers and veterans of the civil war.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

Mr. Walter Crane, who has been appointed to the principalship of the Royal College of Art in London, is a self-taught artist, and had his first picture hung in the Royal Academy when he was but 16 years old.

Mr. Spelterini, balloonist, who has made during his career 497 ascensions, and carried some 800 passengers, is preparing to cross the Alps in the balloon Vega. He will be accompanied by Professor Hermi, of Zurich, the object of the ascent being scientific.

A year ago last August Mrs. Louise B. McVey determined to go to Alaska. Not having money enough she stowed herself away on a steamer sailing from Seattle to St. Michael's. She passed the winter cooking for a lot of miners, located a camp on Bonanza creek and is now worth $100,000. Mrs. McVey is young, good looking and a widow.

The courts of Germany convicted 455,939 persons last year; 44,312 of them were under 18 years of age.

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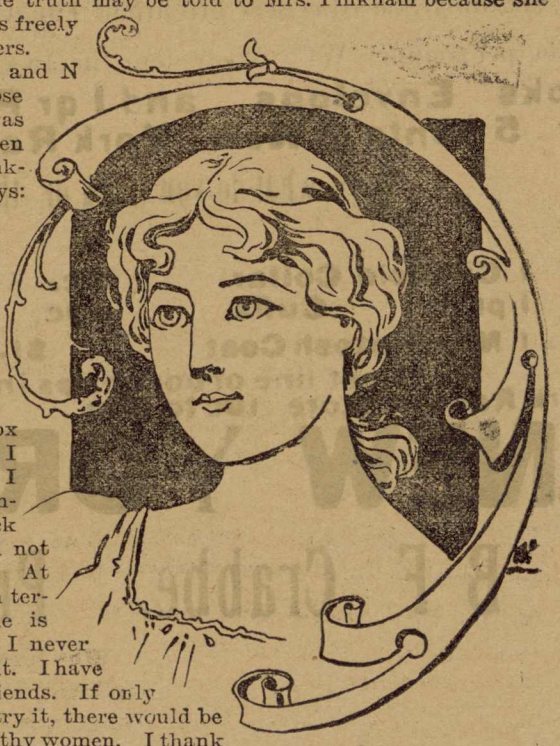

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The fruits of an autumn day,
And the chilling winds of winter
That speeds the years away.

'Tis the joys that come in childhood
With love, all free from fears;
The passions of maturity,
The burdens and the cares,
And happy dreams of aged,
That speeds away the years.

Oh! Let the years go rolling!
Count not your life away.
Hold not the hand from sowing
And reaping day by day,
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INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ITEMS.

First of all we wish to thank the editor for the copies of the "News" he so kindly sent us.

That obliging "little bird" has not whispered much news into my waiting ear this week, so I am afraid the news budget will be small and uninteresting. You see it is this way: many of the most interesting and laughable jokes would not prove so to the outside while we girls enjoy them thoroughly. Perhaps Mr. Will Reynolds could tell of some funny things. He bronght Mrs. Hudson up Saturday night and incidently stayed to watch the dancers Miss Bush and Miss Evans came up also. How we did enjoy Miss Bushe's two-step and that lovely waltz.

Quite a number of our girls attended the lecture by General Morgan. Senator Morgan gave us a very interesting talk, full of that "present politics which is future history." To have heard this great orator and statesman, of our own state, Alabama, is an event to be remembered and treasured.

Capt and Mrs. Reynolds took tea with us Sunday evening. Afterwards we enjoyed the talk, by our President on "Naiman the Leper."

Brother Abernathy came for the choir girls to practice on Saturday evening. When the girls returned they were in high spirits, so I suppose the time was very profitably enjoyed.

Will some one very kindly inform one of the "Lyman Girls" who the President of the United States is, she is undecided whether it is George Washington or Senator Morgan.

Which of the McConaughy Girls insist on calling early in the morning Get up! get up! and make the fire

If any one can tell a good joke, tell it to me and I will make use of it

"Dormitory."

Days weeks and months pass away.
Nights passaway to give place to days
Every thing passes away except the girls, they only pass by.

The "Shivers House" appeared very popular Saturday afternoon; quite a number of girls called, dont think it was the "Shivers Girls" that was so attractive, but the piano and the inviting emptiness of a certain room, how ever we were glad to see you girls. Come again.

The Shivers Girls had an extraordinary amount of energy (in their heels remember) Saturday night. entering the music room at quite an early hour they danced until the distant sound of the bell warned them that their fun must cease.

A certain young lady called for a glass of water with which to swallow flags, seems as if the "Shivers House" had a Jonah.

The pervading gloom of "Shivers House" was brightened for a few moments on Sunday afternoon by the presence of Mrs. Babb, Miss Fitts. Miss Lee, and Miss Alston.

Mr. Shivers dined with the Capt. and Senator Saturday; according to promises he started home with his pockets full of oysters, but they all kicked ou before he got here.

Cousin Naomi is oor best girl. She came out of the Bible which accounts for her goodness.

Tho Industrial school of Montevallo, tea hes many things, but this eclipses all, there is a certain teacher in the Faculty who teaches how to carry boiling water in a paper bag.

The sick list has been exceedingly small for the past week. Those certificates are awful hard to get. With two teachers and a monitor the girls are kept straight.

There is one girl in this house who could teach Dr. Wilkinson something, for she has just discoverd that her liver begins where her conscience ends.

The girls at the Dunklin house are glad that the rules of the school do not prohibit their receiving boxes of candy from their brothers. For what is it that a school girl likes better than candy except more candy?

Ask some of the girls what virtue there is in hanging a horseshoe over the door.

The girls at the Dunklin's house were delightfully entertained Saturnight with a candy pulling.

Which is the harder study Latin or Caesar? inquired a school girl.

How we enjoyed the ser nade the other night. It was short but sweet

A bright school girl said to one of the teachers, that she had decided to study Arithmetic but did not care to study Mathematics.

As dots have appeared in the columns of the "News" from all the houses in town, we feel that the list would not be complete unless "Pat's Girls" were represented. We are only eight in number, a merrier, happier eight will hardly be found in Montevallo. The week is spent in earnest study but on Saturday evening when tasks are finished, and we gather around our beautiful bright fires, we indulge in cracking friendly jokes, and exchanging harmless pleasantries, If you dont believe it ask Gertrude!

Our girls are distinguishing themselves in the various arts and sciences as Miss Mary Henry, prima donna demonstrated, when favoring us a few nights since with a selection which appealed to us so strongly, bringing as it did, memories of other days— "Way down yonder in the cornfield." It is needless to state that she received hearty encore.

At noon, when we return from school, even the tempting dinner which always await us, remains untouched until we greet our postman Mr. Will, with that old query, "any letters"? As usual his judgment is superior to ours and letters are served after dinner.

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MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

California has just celebrated its forty-three years of statehood. It will not be long before the whole state will be a Forty-niner.

Don't go to the Klondike and hunt gold. Go to Porto Rico and raise coffee. Southeast by east the star of empire takes its way.

One Herr Rohrig cut Prince Bismarck's hair from 1890 to 1898. He carefully saved up all the shorn locks, and now proposes to sell them in small sections. Here is a new terror added to the death of great men.

According to the census taken in 1722, toward the close of Peter the Great's reign, Russia contained only 14,000,000 inhabitants, and by 1897 this number had increased almost ten times, for it now amounts to about 130,000,000. According to the calculations of the statistician, Schreider, the population of Russia ought in the year 2000 to amount to 300,000,000, and that of Germany to 80,000,000.

A Connecticut man has left his entire savings, amounting to twelve thousand dollars, for a monument to be erected to his memory. How much better it would have been to put this money into a memorial library! The monument will do nobody any good. It will be infrequently seen, and it will not make the town a better place to live in, while a library would have been a lasting reminder of his generosity and common sense.

Kaiser Wilhelm has struck another blow at the French. A recent army order commands the suppression of the terms Premier Lieutenant and Seconde Lieutenant and the substitution of Ober and Unter Lieutenant instead. The title remains, therefore, half German and half French, and First Lieutenants will be easily confused with Lieutenant-Colonels, Oberst Lieutenants. An imperial attempt at Germanizing the French title Lieutenant would have been interesting.

It is a very pretty proposition made by General Sir Herbert Kitchener that a college and medical school be established at Khartum, in memory of General Gordon, devoted to the education of sons of Sheiks and other young men, graduation from which should qualify one to hold Government posts. It would cost, he says, $300,000; and he believes the British public would subscribe it. That is the way war is made nowadays by nations that feel responsibility for territories acquired in war.

If it be true, as claimed, that the long-looked-for new match has been invented it is news of great importance. An Englishman and a Berlin chemist have announced the invention of a match which will strike anywhere and of which phosphorus is not a component part. The makers of friction matches are liable to necrosis, a horrible form of jaw disease, as a result of the use of phosphorus, and in Europe large rewards have been offered for a suitable substitute for this dangerous substance. It is to be hoped that the substitute has been found.

WILL KEEP THE PHILIPPINES

The Entire Archipelago Will Be Demanded by United States.

SPANISH DEBT WILL NOT BE ASSUMED.

A Definite Proposition to Be Submitted to Spaniards This Week—Believed That Spain Will Gladly Relinquish the Islands and Lessen Her Debts.

WASHINGTON.—Secretary Hay Saturday had an interview with the president presumably about matters before the Paris peace commission, but nothing is known of the contents of dispatches which may have been received from Mr. Day. It was intimated, however, that our representatives in Paris probably would be prepared to take up this week and submit to the Spanish ministers a distinct proposition on the Philippine question. It is fairly assumed, however, that this proposition may be subject to change as the negotiations progress. On the general subject of the Philippines members of the cabinet are usually reticent, and this fact is assumed by some to indicate that up to this time the administration itself has not fully determined on what it will or will not demand in this connection, beyond the fact that the entire archipelago must remain in the possession of the United States.

This determination has undoubtedly been reached, and under no circumstances will this government, through its Paris representatives, consent to a treaty which does not involve a complete surrender of Spanish sovereignty therein.

It may be further stated that this government will not assume any Spanish debt or obligation, possibly beyond the guarantee of certain municipal obligations which have been incurred in substantial municipal improvements. The debt which Spain has incurred in her efforts to put down insurrections will neither be paid, assumed nor guaranteed by the United States. This fact, it is quite certain, was distinctly stated to our commissioners before they left Washington. Whether or not this government would consent to payment of any sum of money to Spain for any part of her territory taken possession of by the United States, should any be found due upon a final settlement of the account, cannot be stated at this time, and it is believed that this particular feature of the question has never been raised in the president's conferences with the members of his cabinet.

Advices from Paris are to the effect that there is no change in the peace negotiotion question, and that negotiations are in a fair way to be brought to a speedy termination.

Confirmed in Paris.

PARIS.—While the Spanish and American peace commissioners now stand on the threshold of the Philippine question, it seems probable, in the light of this hour, that the United States will take over the entire archipelago.

Some well informed persons believe that Premier Sagasta has determined to be rid of the Philippines and would direct his commission to sign a treaty by which the United States should take the islands and assume the $40,000,000 of debt.

Spaniards now in Paris declare that the Philippines are a drag and assert that Spain would lift a cry of joy to be relieved of them if the terrific debt pressure should be thus lessened.

State Treasurer Ellis, of Alabama, is busy paying pension warrants. He says that the pensioners are are constantly dying, but that the number on the rolls is constantly increasing, instead of diminishing.

TWO SCHOONERS LOST.

Sunk on the Coast of Cuba and Were Total Losses.

The schooner Cora Dunn went ashore on Sunday morning on the shoals close to Diana Key, Cardenas, and has proved to be a total loss. Her cargo consists of 3,500 tons of coal.

The schooner Kate, which left Key West on October 19 with a cargo of stores and medical supplies for the Cuban forces under General Jose Miquel Gomez at Sancti Spiritus, was overtaken by a storm on October 22 and struck on the San Carlos reefs, province of Pinar del Rio. Bolio and Lera and the members of the crew escaped death almost by a miracle. After swimming ashore they took refuge in a swamp, remaining buried in mud up to their waists for eight hours. They were eventually rescued. The cargo was a total loss. The Kate belonged at Key West.

TRAGEDY AT KNOXVILLE.

Young Lover in a Jealous Rage Shoots His Sweetheart and Then Himself.

At Knoxville, Tenn., John Kennedy, aged 15, shot and mortally wounded his sweetheart, May Peck, and after trying to kill the housekeeper of the Peck family, killed himself. Kennedy went to the home of the girl, and calling her to the door asked why she had been keeping company with another young man. She failed to give him a satisfactory answer and he shot her through the breast near the heart. She may die. The housekeeper heard the screams of her young mistress, and when she rushed to the door Kennedy turned the gun on her and fired, but without effect. He ran a block, stopped, and placing the pistol at his temple, blew his brains out. He died three hours later.

WINNIE DAVIS' WILL.

Bequeaths Her Entire Estate to Her Mother.

A short, but matter of fact will, was admitted to probate before Judge King in the civil district court at New Orleans, Saturday. It was that of Miss Winnie Davis, "The Daughter of the Confederacy," whose recent death sent a gloom throughout the Southland. The document was prepared on February 11, 1898, when Miss Davis was about to sail for Egypt, and by its terms she gives and bequeaths to her mother, Varina Howell Jefferson Davis, everything, both real and personal property, and any returns that may come from literary work, any stocks or moneys.

Levied on a Railroad.

At the last term of the circuit court of Dallas county, Alabama, John A, Carson, who was one of the contractors of the Atlanta & Alabama railroad, obtained judgment against the road for $3,508.34, the amount of his claim and interest, and on October 27 Sheriff J. H. Lumpkin levied on the roadbed, right of way, privileges, turnouts, in fact, everything that belonged to the road. The date of sale of the road has not been made public yet.

"Disastrous Consequences."

The annual report of the Dewes Indian commission, bringing up the work of that body in reorganizing the Indian Territory up to date, of early this week, was made public Saturday. It urges as the main call for the government aid, "fraught with disastrous consequences if delayed," the need of some provision by the national government for educational purposes in the territory.

J. T. Payne has located at Batesville, Ala., and secured the establishment of a hennery. Mr. Paine will put several incubators to work at once and devote his entire time and attention to raising chickens and other for the market.

CAUSE FOR THANKSGIVING.

Proclamation by the President Naming Thursday, November 24,

AS A DAY FOR REJOICING AND PRAISE.

Abundant Harvests, Increased Commerce, Better Public Credit and a Victorious War Cited as Blessings for Which to Give Thanks to God.

The president after the cabinet meeting Friday issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation:

"A Proclamation.

"By the President of the United States.

"The approaching November brings to mind the custom of our ancestors, hallowed by time and rooted in our most sacred traditions, of giving thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings He has vouchsafed to us during the past year.

"Few years in our history have afforded such cause for thanksgiving. We have been blessed by abundant harvests, our trade and commerce have been wonderfully increased, our public credit has been improved and strengthened, all sections of our common country have been brought together and knitted into closer bonds of national purpose and unity.

"The skies have been for a time darkened by the cloud of war, but as we were compelled to take up the sword in the cause of humanity, we are permitted to rejoice that the conflict has been of brief duration and the losses we have had to mourn, though grievous and important, have been so few considering the great results accomplished, as to inspire us with gratitude and praise to the Lord of Hosts. We may laud and magnify His holy name that the cessation of hostilities came so soon as to spare both sides the countless sorrows and disasters that attend protracted war.

"'I therefore invite all my fellow-citizens, those at home as well as those who may be at sea or sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe Thursday, the 24th day of November, as a day of National Thanksgiving, to come together in their several places of worship, for a service of praise and thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings of the year; for the mildness of the seasons and the fruitfulness of the soil, for the continued prosperity of the people, for the devotion and valor of our countrymen, for the glory of our victory and the hope of a righteous peace, and to pray that the Divine guidance which brought us heretofore to safety and honor may be graciously continued in the years to come.

"In witness whereof, etc.

[Signed] "WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"By the President:

"John Hay, Secretary of State."

THEY HEAR HOBSON.

Naval Bureau Chiefs Desire to Know the Chances for Saving the Spanish Ships.

Naval Constructor Hobson appeared before the board of naval bureau chiefs at Washington for the purpose of explaining the condition of the Spanish vessels wrecked off the coast of Santiago, and the progress and prospects of the efforts which are making for their recovery. It is said that over $1,000,000 will be required to continue the operations and the secretary of the navy desires to know what chance there is of success before authorizing the expenditure of so large an amount of money.

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We will gladly receive short correspondence of not over 200 words, on any subject of general interest, provided it is accompanied by the author's name and address. Being nonpartizan, we are not responsible for any ideas expressed in communications.

A typographical errow in the New York Racket Store advertisement last week read, that the customers would be saved "from 10 to 5 %" but should have been, "from 10 to 500%.', We are informed that this is no exageration. Mr. Crabbe is a hustling business man, offers good bargains and solicits your examination of his stock.

God made all things pure but man has sought many inventions. You have heard people say that there was alcohol in corn and other grain and therefore alcohol is a product of nature. Those who make this assertion are entirely ignorant as to the chemical process by which this poison is generated. There is no such thing as alcohol in nature, it is strictly the effluvia of a microbe, which is as much an animal as hog. People ought to be ashamed to put the stuff in their mouths. "Good old corn liquor!"

It seems to to us that there is a great deal of unnesessary discussion of the treatment and ill-health of the soldiers. What under the sun did they expect to find in camps?. Did they hope to obtain the bliss of heaven or the comforts of a well regulated hotel?. We have read some history but we never heard of war being considered ahealthy occupation. Did any body have so few brains in working order, that they imagined that a lot of raw recruits, taken from the pure air and fresh water of a mountainous country, would be healthy in a tropical climate?. A little sketch taken from the Cleveland Plain Dealer, will convey the substance of the whole matter: Doctor, "The trouble with you is that you have been eating and drinking to much and not taken enough exercise. What have you been doing lately?" Soldier; "I've just come home from Porto Rico on sick leave."

Morgan in Montevallo.

By the invitation of his old friend and comrade in arms, Capt Reyuolds, Senator Morgan honored our town last Saturday by a visit. He spoke at 11 o'clock at the College Chapel to about 500 people. The vigor and eloquence of his speech proves to all that the dear old Senator is not yet ready for the superanuated list. By the Providence of God,he still has several years of usefulness before him. In the course of his speech. the Senator complimented President Reynolds very highly for the marked success that had been accomplished in the Industrial school. He said that this was a new enterprise, in the right direction and hoped to see all the states follow in the work. He said that the women were the forces that ruled the world and an educated mother-hood is the pillar on which rests our ,liberty and civilization.

He touched but incidently upon the political issues of the day, but discused somewhat at length, the labor problem. He stands up boldly as an advocate of the dignity of labor and that what is greatly needed in the south, is a better educated laboring class and a repudiation of the old system which looked down on hard work as disgracing. He deplores the fact that the South does not half appreciate her magnificent advantages; having now the monopoly of the cotton industry, and when the Nicharagua Canal is built, which he feels confident is in the near future. we will have the monopoly also of the iron industry. He said that the rate of interest was too high and aught to be placed at 5%. He made a strong appeal for an increased circulation of money through silver coinage-

Mr. Editor:

The Confederate soldiers and widow's pensions warrants are now in this office and ready for distribution. Please publish this so that all those bearing warrants may call and get them. The amount of each warrant is $11,90

D. R. McMillan,
Jndge of Probate

SCHOOL NOTES

(Continued from first page.)

Among our other prodigies? is Miss Coats, po tess. If you don't believe she has the true spirit we shall send you some of "the fruits of her fertile imagination."

The pet of the household "Little Kate" has been ill for several days, much to the regret of every one.

Dont tell Mamie a joke, for her laughing propensities are so great she must tell it in order that others may join her in the enjoyment.

The dignity of our house hold is up held by Miss Thomas, whose classical language and stately ways, cause the girls to stand in awe of incurriug her displeasure. After engaging in a lengthy conversation with her one is in great danger of an attack of spasmodic rigity of the inferior maxillany.

Wonder why it is that our dignified senior and monitor, Miss McArdle objects so seriously to hearing anything about "makfng ..res"? Ask her perhaps she will tell you

Candy making is one of the favorite past-time for Saturday. This is answer to that oft repeated question, "What makes Lucile so sweet"?

We have been christened as "Pat's Girls" but it's our opinion that he thinks school girls are a nuisance, since they originate so many jokes at his expense.

If any one ask us why we are always happy and cheerfu., we have onto reply "Because we have the dear-st. best, and most motherly landlady in town.

Mr. T. C Cross spent Tuesday with his sister and accompanied her to the Chapel at noon.

The Mont'g. girls were especially glad to see the the ladies of the dressmaking department when they returned Wednesday for they brought many a little package and message sent by the homefolks.

Mrs. H. Spiva spent a few hours in the city Wednesday. She came with her niece' who is now numbered amoung the pupils of our school.

Mr. Langston offered an earnest and fervent prayer for the teachers and pupils of our school Thursday morning, which was appreciated by all present.

A mong the visitors registered at the school during the past week are Mr. Comwell and Mrs. Val Taylor, was formely a pupil of this school.

During the absence of Miss Wade, Miss Leo Sanders had charge of the dressmaking department. Miss Viola Reynolds had Miss Wade's pupils under her supervision. Miss Reynolds showed herself fully competent to attattend to the duties assigned her.

Mr. C. M. Beale spent afew hours with his daughter Friday.

Mrs. Val Taylor, who has been visiting her sister returded home Thursday.

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The liberal convention of the Australasian colonies has adopted a clause embodying a recognition of God in the preamble of the constitution which it is preparing for submission to the several colonies on their bond of union.

Two million official election ballots are to be printed in New York, at a cost of $18,800.

After physicians had given me up, I was saved by Piso's Cure.—RALPH ERIEG, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 22, 1893.

Miss Gwendoline Keats, whose stories under the pen-name of "Zack" have attracted attention, is a cousin of the poet. She wrote under that name lest her distinguished patronymic be counted against her.

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ENGLAND PREPARES FOR WAR

The British Squadron Is Gathering at Devonport With Haste.

GLOOMY FEELING ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Volunteers Ordered to Prepare to Mobilize—Officers and Sailors Hurriedly Recalled From Leave of Absence—France May Yet Yield.

LONDON.—There was an unexpected gloomy feeling Monday morning on the stock exchange and the Paris bourse, both these markets being influenced, it is inferred, from the aggressive tone of some of the French papers. Besides this, something extraordinary seems to have happened, and it looks as if a crisis were approaching. The British naval preparations are certainly being pushed with great activity.

The British emergency squadron is gathering at Devonport with all possible speed. Seven battleships and one cruiser have been thus far designated to the other squadrons. Officers and sailors have been hurriedly recalled from leave of absence, several battleships and cruisers at Portsmouth are taking their full crews on board and other warlike preparations are being made.

A number of signal men, now on duty with the British Channel squadron, which is at Gibraltar, have been ordered home for service, it is presumed, on board the auxiliary cruisers, if the latter should be required for active service.

It was also asserted Monday that the commanding officers of the London volunteer regiments had received orders to prepare for immediate mobilization, and it was asserted that the different artillery corps have been informed as to the forts on the southern and eastern coasts to which they have been allotted.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "England has been and even now is so near war that the government carried its preparations to the farthest limit of the preparatory stages. It has been arranged to call out the reserves and militia and to mobilize the volunteers simultaneously and to form large camps at various important junctures where rolling stock and locomotives will be concentrated."

Says France Will Yield.

PARIS.—The Eclair says it learns on reliable authority that the Fashoda question will be settled favorably to Great Britain by the recall of Major Marchand. France, the paper adds, yields all, reserving only the question of the right to the Bahr-El-Ghazal district, which she does not consider as belonging to Egypt.

NEW FRENCH CABINET.

M. Dupuy is Premier and Minister of Interior.

The new French cabinet is constituted as follows: M. Leebret, minister of justice; M. Dupuy, premier and minister of the interior; M. Defreycinet, minister of war; M. Lockroy, minister of marine; M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs; M. Peytral, minister of finance; M. Leygues, minister of public instruction; M. Deloncle, minister of commerce; M. Guillaine, minister of the colonies; M. Viger, minister of agriculture; M. Krantz, minister of public works.

Second Alabama Mustered Out.

The Second regiment, Alabama volunteers, went out of business at noon Monday. Contrary to expectation, the soldiers were not mustered out as a regiment, but simply handed their money, and subsequently their discharge certificates.

ENTIRE GROUP DEMANDED.

Spain Notified of America's Purpose to Take the Philippine Islands.

PARIS—(By Cable).—The American peace commissioners, each carrying a portfolio containing records and personal memoranda, left their headquarters in the Continental hotel for the meeting with the Spanish commissioners at the foreign office shortly before 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The president of the Spanish commission, Senor Montero Rios, arrived at the foreign office in a closed carriage with his colleagues shortly after the Americans reached the meeting place.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the ten commissioners confronted each other across the table on which, in 1783, Benjamin Franklin and his colleagues signed the treaty of independence of the United States. The American commissioners presented a written expression of the purpose of the United States to take the entire group of Philippine islands and to assume such proportion of the Philippine debt as has been spent for the benefit of the islands or their inhabitants in public works, improvements and permanent betterments. It was also set forth that the United States would not assume any part of the Philippine debt which had been incurred by Spain for the furtherance of military or naval operations to quell insurrections of the natives.

The session was adjourned until Friday in order to give the Spaniards time to prepare a reply.

THE TERESA COMING.

The Ship That Hobson Raised En Route for Hampton Roads.

A dispatch from Caimanera says: The former Spanish cruiser, the Maria Teresa, which was sunk during the battle with Cervera's fleet and raised under the direction of Naval Constructor Hobson, sailed for Hampton Roads Sunday night. She is being towed by the Vulcan and Merrill, and is being conveyed to Cape May by the Cincinnati and the Leonida.

To Raise the Mercedes.

The work of raising the Spanish cruiser Mercedes, sunk just inside the mouth of Santiago harbor, is about to be begun. The task is comparatively easy. Work on the Cristobal Colon continues, but much difficulty is found in using the pontoons on account of the heavy seas.

FINAL ARBITRATOR

Between Chili and Argentina Will Be Minister Buchanan.

A dipatch from Valparaiso says: Argentina has accepted United States Minister Buchanan, proposed by Chili, to act as final arbitrator in the Punta De Atacama question. The Chilian five arbitration commissioners going to Buenos Ayres will start as soon as congress approves the protocal next week. The Chilian commissioners carry instructions to promote commercial and industrial negotiations with the Argentine chambers.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

For Erection of the Big Steel Plant at Ensley City.

The Alabama Steel and Shipbuilding company, which is erecting a $1,000,000 steel plant at Ensley City, has let contracts for their mill building, boiler house, engine house, electric power plant, furnace and machine buildings. The contracts involve a large sum and are practically all the contracts the completion of which are necessary for the finishing of the big steel plant, on which work is rapidly going forward.

Representative-Elect Dean Dead.

Hon. B. L. Dean, one of Tallapoosa's representatives-elect, and one of the ablest and most prominent citizens of East Alabama, died suddenly Monday afternoon. After only a few minutes' attack he succumbed to heart failure.

A Fly-Catching Scheme.

"Joe, I'm sadly afraid you have been idling about in my absence," said a young and clientless solicitor, just returned from his honeymoon, to his office boy. "This typewriter hasn't been touched the whole time."

"Indeed, sir, I was working it only two hours ago," replied the lad.

"Then how comes it that a spider has spun a web across its keys?" asked the solicitor, pointing to a flimsy network which almost covered the keyboard.

"Why, sir, I caught that spider and put him there myself," explained the boy, after a scarcely perceptible pause. "There's a fly buzzing about in the works of the typewriter, and as I I didn't want to take the machine to pieces to get at it, I thought the spider dodge would serve. You let him alone sir, and that fly will be trapped in no time."—Pearson's Weekly.

A Paper Craze in Japan.

Word comes from Japan that the subjects of the mikado have started a paper craze, and the highest ladies of the land of the plum blossom are ordering entire costumes of this novel dress fabric. It is light and economical. The big manufacturers are making quantities of paper dress material in various colors and nontearable—guaranteed to launder. There are dressmakers in the principal towns who make a specialty of these paper costumes, and they are doing an excellent trade. When will paper costumes reach America?

A Child's Marvellous Escape.

A child who wandered away from Burns Valley, Pa., was lost in the mountains. When found she was in the midst of wild animals and among rattlesnakes, but she declared they had made no attack upon her and that she had subsisted among them by eating wild berries. The hunting party that found her killed twelve rattlers near the rock where she was discovered.

Several of the largest banks in Nebraska have notified their depositors that they must reduce their balances for the reason that the institutions have more money on hand than they know what to do with.

THE DUTY OF MOTHERS.

Daughters Should be Carefully Guided in Early Womanhood.

What suffering frequently results from a mother's ignorance; or more frequently from a mother's neglect to properly instruct her daughter!

Tradition says "woman must suffer," and young women are so taught. There is a little truth and a great deal of exaggeration in this. If a young woman suffers severely she needs treatment and her mother should see that she gets it.

Many mothers hesitate to take their daughters to a physician for examination; but no mother need hesitate to write freely about her daughter or herself to Mrs. Pinkham and secure the most efficient advice without charge. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.

The following letter from Miss MARIE F. JOHNSON, Centralia, Pa., shows what neglect will do, and tells how Mrs. Pinkham helped her:

"My health became so poor that I had to leave school. I was tired all the time, and had dreadful pains in my side and back. I was also troubled with irregularity of menses. I was very weak, and lost so much flesh that my friends became alarmed. My mother, who is a firm believer in your remedies from experience, thought perhaps they might benefit me and wrote you for advice. I followed the advice you gave, and used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills as you directed, and am now as well as I ever was. I have gained flesh and have a good color. I am completely cured of irregularity."

SPAIN GIVES UP CUBA.

Sovereignty Relingushed Without Even Terms or Conditions.

PHILIPPINES WILL BE TAKEN UP NEXT.

The United States Guarantee That Life and Property Shall Be Secure in Cuba. Mutual Understanding Reached as to Porto Rico and Guam.

PARIS.—The Spanish peace commissioners have accepted the negative view of the United States commission toward the assumption by the United States of the Cuban debt. The American commissioners have firmly, but courteously, declined to assume for the United States the entire or joint responsibility for the Spanish financial conditions.

Senor Montero Rios, the president of the Spanish commission, and his colleagues, with faithful insistence, sought another result, but they failed to attain it, and have finally abandoned the effort, and have agreed that the Cuban article of the protocol shall, without conditions, have a place in the ultimate treaty of peace. Thus Spain relinquishes sovereignty over and claim to Cuba without either terms or conditions. The one concession as to Cuba that our commissioners will make will be the guarantee of the United States that life and property shall be secure in Cuba. This responsibility the United States will assume only to such time as a stable government shall be formed and operative in Cuba. There will be no perpetual guarantee on that score.

All difficulties, if any existed, reparding Porto Rico and the selection of the Island of Guam, were also arranged by a mutual understanding, and the commissioners found themselves well-nigh touching the Philippine question, which will be takn up next.

First Alabama Disbanded.

The First Alabama regiment, United States volunteers, is now a thing of history, and the part it played in the American-Spanish war of 1898 is now to become merely the matter of record in the archives of the war department at Washington and a pleasant memory to the 1,300 men who composed it. The last man was paid off Monday. Over $100,000 was paid out Sunday and Monday to this regiment, this big amount of money being kept in camp in a trunk under a strong guard.

Farmers' Quarrel Ends in Murder.

Near Hamilton, Ala., Dan Holliday shot and instantly killed John McLeod, and then deliberately blew his own brains out. Both were farmers.

NICARAGUAN CANAL.

Authorized by President Zelaya and the Congress of Nicaragua.

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA.—After four days' public discussion the Nicaraguan congress has unanimously approved of the agreement provisionally made between President Zelaya and the American contractors and engineers, E. F. Cragin and Edwin Eyr, authorizing the construction of an inter-oceanic canal and empowering the concessionaries to negotiate with the Maritime Canal company.

Dr. Smith Missing.

Dr. B. B. Smith, Jr., of Larkinsville, Ala., is missing and it is feared that he has met with foul play. Dr. Smith was last seen in Nashville, where he was attending the Nashville Medical college, and also was collector for a transfer company. Last Friday morning he started out on a collecting trip, having bills to the amount of $150. This amount he collected. He has since failed to put in an appearance and his friends fear that he has been robbed and perhaps murdered.

ARKANSAS OUTLAWS RAMPANT.

Reign of Terror Inaugurated in Cleburne County.

Cleburne county, Ark., the famous rendezvous for moonshiners, is just now experiencing a reign of terror, and the inhabitants of that county who respect the law have appealed to the state authorities to protect their lives and property from the depredations of the outlaws. According to information received the moonshiners are destroying the property of law-abiding citizens and warning them to leave the county.

Two Soldiers Die of Fear.

Fear of death and the sight of dead bodies of comrades caused the death of two members of the Third North Carolina at the Second division hospital at Knoxville, Tenn., Saturday. Private Henry Johnson died late in the afternoon. His death throes, which were horrible, were witnessed by Private Christsopher Reeves, who raised himself from his cot, looked at his comrade a few minutes and fell back dead. The news of the last death was given Corporal Thomas Eaves a few minutes later. He commenced mourning for Reaves and died in spite of all the surgeon could do for him. The instance is unparalleled.

Building a New Town.

There is a new city being built in Jefferson county, near Leeds. It is a mining settlement, and will be inhabited by the employes of the Sloss Iron and Steel Company, who work the immense deposits of brown hematite ore, which has recently been opened by that company. There are now about seventy-five houses in the process of erection, which will be occupied by the operatives, and work will begin on seventy-five more in the near future.

Wilson-Cleveland Minstrels Disband.

The firm of Wilson-Cleveland minstrels, which gave two performances at the Montgomery theater Saturday, matinee and night, has disbanded, and there is a scramble for salaries. The initiative toward disbandment was taken Saturday night just before the rise of the curtain, when the proprietors could not agree as to which one should take possession of the day's receipts.

For Far-Off China.

The Indian Head cotton mills at Cordova, Ala., are preparing to make another shipment of their sheeting. This shipment will consist of ten full cars of sheeting and will go direct to China via California. These mills have booked their entire output for four years to come to brokers in China. Already many bales of sheeting made at Cordova have been sent to that far away country.

Tired of Life They Attempt Suicide.

At Cleveland, O., a desperate attempt to commit suicide was made early Monday by Rose Laurer and J. E. Cleckner. The couple walked out to the end of the dock of the Cleveland Yacht club and tied themselves together with strips torn from a bed sheet. They then jumped into the lake. Two Lake Shore railroad detectives rescued them after a long struggle.

Split in Klondike.

News comes by letter from Alaska that the representatives of the Bessie Cox Gold Mining company, who left Birmingham last February to seek their fortunes in the Klondike, have had a split-up about something, and have parted company.

Certain people calling themselves Whitecaps are threatening to whip some people in Marion county, Ala.

Instantly Killed.

L. W. Brower, a brickmason, was run over by a Louisville & Nashville switch engine in Birmingham, Sunday, and instantly killed.

ALABAMA STATE NEWS.

Happenings of General Interest Within Our Own Commonwealth,

Great Activity in Birmingham District.

The greatest activity in iron and coal industries continues in the Birmingham district. Every furnace that is in operation has a demand for every pound of iron that it can make, and consequently the furnace capacity of the district is being kept as nearly the top notch as is practicable. The Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing Company is preparing to let a contract for the construction of a railroad from its furnaces at Thomas to its new coal mines at North Birmingham, and will also build 300 houses at the mines to be occupied by the men employed there.

The state mine inspector estimates that this year's coal production will go considerably past the 6,000,000 ton mark, thus breaking the "bumper" records of last year and the year previous. Every mine in the district is working to its full capacity, and some half a dozen new ones are being opened. Since the quarantines have been lifted Walker county coal has begun again to move to the Mississippi river for shipment down that stream to New Orleans and other Louisiana points. Four and a half miles of new railroad is to be built at once in Walker county to connect the various mines of the Ivy Coal and Coke Company with the Southern railway.

Iron shipments to Europe continue active. Furnaces are sold a long time ahead, and in consequence prices continue stiff with a decided upward tendency.

Will Meet in Chattanooga Next.

The Tri-State Medical society concluded its tenth annual convention in Birmingham last week. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Dr. George A. Baxter, of Chattanooga; first vice-president, Dr. V. P. McGammon, of Nashville; second vice-president, Dr. W. B. Travis, of Covington, Ga.; third vice-president, Dr. George S. Brown, of Birmingham, Ala.; secretary, Dr. Frank Trester Smith, of Chattanooga; treasurer, Dr. Cooper Holtzclaw, of Chattanooga.

Chattanooga was selected as the next place of meeting.

Carnival Will Be Made a State Affair.

The Birmingham Carnival society has inaugurated a movement to make the next Mardi Gras celebration in that city, which occurs February 14 and 15 next, a state affair and accordingly, invitations have been sent to the commercial bodies of the various cities and towns of importance throughout the state to participate. The request is made that each have a float in the parade representing the particular town.

Fatal Fight at Oak Level.

A serious difficulty occurred at a political meeting held at Oak Level, a small place twelve miles north of Edwardsville. During the row Robert L. Baber was severely and perhaps fatally cut in the fight by some one in the crowd. Hamp Bell was severely cut on the hand and wrist, Will Cole was severely beaten and bruised, and others were seriously hurt in the fight.

By-Product Plant in Operation.

The Semet-Solvay By-Product Coke oven plant at Ensley City has ninety ovens now in blast and preparations are being made to put the second battery in operation. The demand for coal to supply the ovens will be met by the Tennessee company, who has begun to put wire rope into mine No. 6 at Pratt City to increase the output 600 tons per day.

Last Days of the First Alabama.

The work of examining the members of the First Alabama preparatory to mustering them out of service is going rapidly forward, and it is announced that by Monday night it is expected the entire regiment will be mustered out. The partial disability list is said to be surprisingly large, even Colonel Higdon being on it.

LOCAL.

See the celebrated line of Fountain shirts at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Public speaking! W. F. Aldrich and others—will speak upon the issues of the day in Montevallo, Monday, Nov. 7, at 11 a m at the Lyman Hall. All invited.

Heiser's celebrated line of mens high grade shoes at C. L. Meroney & Co.

The teachers of the Industrial, enjoyed a Halowen party Monday evening. given at the St George, by Misses Bush, Evens and Kenedy.

Don't injure your eyes. Martin the Jeweler keeps spectacles suitable for school girls and all ages.

Several boys of the First Alabama, spent Monday night in town.

Buy your fall suit, best and cheapest at C. L. Meroney & Co

Dr. Slaughter, director of the Orphans Home at Summerville, preached at the Methodist church Tuesday night. In spite of his age his earnestness and humor is convincing and attractive.

C. L. Meroney & Co. sel pure high grade groceries.

The Normal school at Brierfield, with its competent President and splendid teachers, is doing a noble work for that section. The school has a well equiped building. Quite a number of young men and ladies are attending from distance places. The beautiful surroundings and facilities should lift the Brierfield school to an eminece of importance in this State.

Call and see the new lot of saddles and bridles at Morgan Bros.

Mr. Miller and Mr. Gardner of Connecticutt, are spending the week in the city, the guest of Chas. Cary.

Tenneys candies in packages only at Mc Cluney & Co's.

Dr. B. B. Rogan of Selma. was in town one day last week on his way to the Tri-State Medical Association which met at Birmingham.

Our line of hats are up to-date, see them before you buy. Morgan Bros

Mr. John Francher has rented and will occupy Mrs. Julia Rogans place. Mrs. Rogan now lives with F. W. Rogan.

That chocolate cake at F. F. Crowe & Co. is delicious.

Capt. J. R. Pynor, the shoemaker, has returned to Montevallo, and is ready to mend shoes at the same old stand.

Buy a new stove, best at Morgan Bros.

Get your share of the fine bananas at F F Crowe & Co.

Mrs. Cothran delighted the audience at the Methodist church in the morning and the Baptist in the evening, with some beautiful, sweet soloes.

WANTED—In order to complete our file, we will give 10 cents apiece for a limited number of copies of the News of the following dates: June 2 Aug 18th. and Sept. 8th all of 1898. Look over your old papers and accommodat us if possible.

"Don't read trash," Read the best weekly and monthly magazines, subscribe at W B McCluney & Co.

Editor Graham, of Calera, accompanied by his son and little daughter, came down to the city Saturday to hear Morgan's speech.

True artistic taste has been shown in the selection of the new line of fall prints at Morgan Bros. Prices from 3½ to 5c

Attorney Lyman visited Centre ville Monday

Go to C. L. Meroney & Co. for a perfect fitting suit of clothes.

Mrs. Ozley of Longview, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Payne, of this plaue.

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Borned, on Sunday last to Mr. and Mrs. Cross, a daughter.

Photographs!!!

R. W. Carleton, has just opened up a gallery in town and is now prepared for the latest, best and bigest pictures you may want. At Reynolds furniture store.

Prof Pritchaid, of Belle Ellen, spent last Sunday in town.

The flavor and variety of F. F Crowe & Co,s candies is remarkable.

Who is it that tried to disgrace the town by their rude behavior at the Dormitory last Thursday night? Such a thing wont happen again without some one being punished.

J. W. Martin has just received a lot of handsome new watches. Call and see them.

The entertainment that was to be given last Friday night, by the teachers of the Industrial, did not occur on account of the failure to get a place. This emphasizes the necessity of having a town hall.

See those bueatiful new style ribbons at Morgan Bros.

Mr. George Kroell has completed his magnificent new brick store and will move his stock of goods in a few days.

Mr Kroell is an up-to-date merchant, in fact Birmingham, nor any other city in the state can boast of a merchant who keeps a better stock or sells at a lower price. We are telling the truth when we say you can get goods as cheap from George Kroell as you can from the largest business house in Atlanta. When you come to Montevallo you will do Mr. Kroell a favor by calling at his store and proving our word.

Dentist! Dr. J.P. Haley of Selma will be here next Monday Nov. 3rd to do your dental work Call on him at the St. George Hotel.

The editor and his better half, visited Brierfield last Friday and made the acquaintance of the inteligent and hospitable people of that place.

Well cooked light bread is the most healthful. Get it at the New Bakery, Bests old stand. R. T. Newton proprietor.

Mrs. Hansman, of Tuscaloosa, after several weeks visit to her sister, Mrs F. F. Crowe of this place, returned to her home last Saturday,

Dental work! The people have found out that the work doue by Dr. Haley is first class in every respect. He will spend next week in Montevallo.

Toilet Soaps in endless variety at McCluney & Co's.

Closing out old stock at less than cost.

About $1,000 worth of staple goods to be sold for less than cost during the next 60 days. These goods are all first class. C C Vandergrift, Montevallo, Ala.

WITH THE CHURCHES:

The weather was delightful last Sunday, just cold enough to make a rose glow on the cheeks of the cloak and fur-clad church goers,

Pastor Abernathy delivered a strong sermon on the subject "What the church owes the Lord in a financial way." Convincing argument was used, proving that God still demands from his people the tenth part of their income. "Civilization," he said, is an outcome of applied christian principals to government and all relations of life, and to ignore our duty, financially,, towards the church is the grossest ingratitude.

The pulpit at the Baptist church, last Sunday at 11 a m and 7:30 p m, was filled by Rev Langston of Centreville. His style is practical and convincing; he drives the truths and illustrations of the Bible home to the practical duties of our lives.

The prayer meeting at the Baptist church last Wednesday night was well attended and a splendid service was held. President Reynolds of the Industrial led the meeting, and spoke of the great influence for good which the churches had exerted over the town of Montevallo. He said that the moral change that had taken place here in twenty years was simply wonderful.

How does 250 leaves in one tablet for 5 cents suit you? None larger. Comparison challenged at McCluney & Co's.

Laundry Rogan. Leave your laundry at Rogan's on Wednesday and get it on Saterday.

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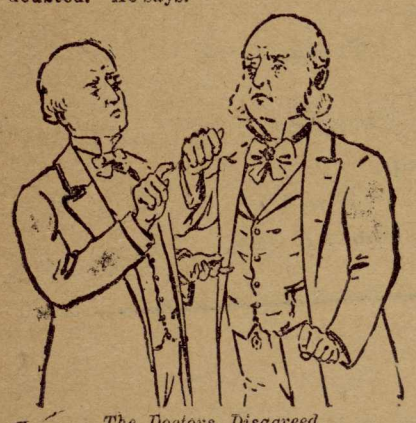
A Nation of Dyspeptics.

From the Mountaineer, Walhalla, N. Dakota.

The remorse of a guilty stomach is what a large majority of the people are suffering with to-day. Dyspepsia is a characteristic American disease and it is frequently stated that "we are a nation of dyspeptics."

Improper food, hurried eating, mental worry, exhaustion—any of these produce a lack of vitality in the system, by causing the blood to lose its life-sustaining elements. The blood is the vital element in our lives and should be carefully nurtured. Restore it to its proper condition, dyspepsia will vanish and good health follow.

For example, in the county of Pembina, North Dakota, a few miles from Walhalla, resides Mr. Earnest Snider; a man of sterling integrity, whose veracity cannot be doubted. He says:



The Doctors Disagreed.

"I became seriously ill three years ago. The doctor gave me medicine for indigestion, but I continued to become worse. I had several physicians at intervals who gave me some relief, but the disease would return with all its accustomed severity.

"I read in the newspapers articles regarding the wonderful curative powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and finally concluded to try the pills. Five months ago I bought six boxes. The first box gave me much relief, and after using four boxes I was cured."

These pills are recognized everywhere as a specific for diseases of the blood and nerves. For paralysis, locomotor ataxia, and other diseases long supposed incurable, they have proved their efficacy in thousands of cases.

A subterranean city exists in Galacia, Austrian Poland, which contains a population of over 1,000 men, women and children, many of whom have never seen the light of day.

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Jokai, the Hungarian novelist, is, like Tolstoi, a lover of farming, and devotes much of his time to the production of grapes and a peculiar kind of wine which he gets from them.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Rev. Edmund Dowse, of the famous old Pilgrim church at Sherborn, Mass., has just celebrated the sixtieth year of his pastorate, a term unequaled in New England, if not in the United States.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail druggists refund money.

Senator Tillman is said not to be so uneducated as he has been supposed. His friends declare him to be a good Greek and Latin scholar and an omnivorous reader.

Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco does not make every mouth as sweet as a rose, but comes "mighty nigh"—does give every one a most delightful smoke. Try it.

Archbishop Hennessey, of Dubuque, Ia., has celebrated the thirty-second anniversary of his consecration as bishop.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

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David Linton, who is said to be the richest man in Ohio, is the son of a poor Irishman, who intended his boy for a blacksmith.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money

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T. Sidney Cooper, the royal academician, is still painting at the age of 95 years. He began to exhibit in 1833 and, though 64 years of age when made a full R. A., has continued an active member for thirty-one years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Rome's trade unions have taken a sensible view of the czar's proposal for general disarmament and have voted to begin by putting down the practice among Italian workmen of carrying and using knives.

Deaths from Disease in the Army.

An editorial writer in The Sun gives the surgeon-general's estimate of the number of deaths from disease up to the present time as about 1,500, or only about three-fifths of one per cent. in a total force of about 250,000 men. He cites a Konversations-Lexicon published in Leipsic—Brockhaus', we presume—as stating the loss of life from disease in the German army during the Franco-Prussian war to have been nearly two per cent. A French medical authority, Dr. Cheun, according to The Army and Navy Journal (also cited by The Sun's writer), gives the number of "sick and frostbitten" in the French army as 339,421. The Hispano-American war has lasted thus far about five months. The Franco-Prussian lasted about seven months. The advantages of the Germans in being thoroughly prepared, the writer thinks, go far to neutralize this disparity of duration.

Good Advice.

Life is too short and full of care and sorrows for one to be the cause of adding one feather's weight of trouble to another's load. Will Carleton, the poet, in the "First Settler's Story," we believe it was, makes the old man say, in speaking of his wife, that she used to stand around and boss the job, and by her kind words lifted whole tons. Kind words have the same effect the world over. They lift a fellow out of the slough of despond; they break the stiffened, set features of the worried into a pleasant, hopeful smile. And how much better it is to cultivate the habit of treating everyone as though a time would come when we should lay down the mortal form; and that to leave behind a character and reputation of fairness, truth, and honor is the most enduring of riches. —Scientific American.

There are frauds in soaps as well as other things. Sometimes a grocer will offer you a substitute for Ivory Soap, because his profits are larger on the substitute. He and the purchaser are losers in this transaction. The dealer ultimately loses the customer, and the customer suffers from the mischief of the substitute. A person accustomed to Ivory Soap will not be satisfied with any other. Ask for Ivory Soap and insist upon getting it.

A WORD OF WARNING.—There are many white soaps, each represented to be "just as good as the 'Ivory';" they ARE NOT, but like all counterfeits, lack the peculiar and remarkable qualities of the genuine. Ask for "Ivory" Soap and insist upon getting it.

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For the trade in general.

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All kinds of Dry goods, woolens, cotton goods, Flannelettes, Oil cloth, shoes, Velvet, Velvetine, calicoes, Toilet soap, collars, cuffs, thread, over shirts, under shirts, drawers, ½ hose, ink, tooth brushes, tea spoons, table spoons, and every thing in

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PURPOSES.

They who have no purposes in life
And are not fired by nobler ambition
Are not worthy of the name of men
And women. Put no trust in them,
But let us trust in those alone, who know
That they are sons and daughters of their God:
Who have a higher aim, and other joys,
Than those a worm of dust can feel,
The little soul is satisfied
With paultry things of life, and works
And worry, sighs and longs for that
Alone, the grooser senses crave:
But "hitch thy wagon to a star",
And o'er the fashion and the false,
Thy steed may draw thee on to nobler goods.

Thos. Freeman

MOTHER GOOSE MELODIES

Mother Goose belonged to a wealthy family, She was born in Boston Mass. when she lived many years, Her oldest daugter married a printer, ceremony was performed by the cruel and contemptible, Cotton Mathews.

Mother Goose lived with this couple and when their union was blest by the birth of a son.

Mother Goose like all other good grand-mothers was in estosies at the event. She took up her quarters in the nersery, when she fondled the infant singing to him in a harsh voice, the songs and ditties which she had learned in her young days, at the same time composing others. Her shrill tones sang out with a grating sound all through the house. Her son-in-law was graatly anoyed by the constant noise and tried very hard to put a stop to her singing by ridicule and wit and threatened to publish some of her silly ditties if she didn't desist: but in vain.

Finaly he put his threat into execution by publishing in his paper one or two of her songs Among the first was the following:, "There was a man in our town,
And was wonderous wise;
He jumped into a bramble bush
And scratched out both his eyes;
And when he saw that his eyes were out
With all his might and main
He jumped into another bush,
And scratched them in again.

To his great surprise rhyms became .very popular.

M. P. R.

Am I an Offender?

"The difficulty with Morgan Bros," said an old vetran trader, "is that he offends the prejudices of other merchants by proceeding to sell goods cheeper than they can afford, and still be reaonably successful in it. Were he not successful, they would pay no attention to him."

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SCOOL NOTES

What is so rare as a perfect day in Nov.? But such seemed Saturday. Our girls took the advantage of Mr. King's kindness, and many were the wheels that went around all day.

A few of the young ladies have become quite skilled in riding. Miss J, L. Lathem's riding is much admired.

Several of the teachers are learning too. On Saturday afternoon the atmosqhere that hovered around the campus was laden with meriment and cheerfulness Over at the chapel, especialy did the air seem fraught with "good times". Miss McCombs and the fourth division of the Art class were at home, to the faculty and a few town friends. Misterious figures, much be aproned, flitted up and down the long verandah. Music: delightful, souls stiring music was wafted to us out side, who have the misfortune? of being a school girl, what longing glances were directed towards the chapel but alas! no girls save those of the Art class were bidden thither. "If a body write a body don't reply,
Then why, oh why, pray tell me,
should a body cry?"

Mr Fowler made happy his daughter, Miss Lula this week by spending a few days with her.

Will some one be kind enough to explain to one of our dear "rats" the difference between a janitor and monitor? She informed one the older girls that Miss C had been janitor for their boarding house. She couldn't understand why the girls laughed so, nor why Miss G. objected to the epithet.

One of little poetesses says "It holds true, Whate'er befall,
I feel it when I sorrow most,
"It's worse never to have loved at all,
Than to have loved and lost."

DUNKLIN HOUSE

"O, I have just received a letter from home!" exclaimed Daisy "and how I wish I was there The girls are all having the biggest time! Two of them got married last week and another is to be married next week.

It does a girl so much good to get a letter from home. There are just twenty four of us. The first thing we ask our land-lord when he comes to dinner is "Is there a letter for me?"

Music is love in search of a word." Perhaps that is why girls like serenades so much.

The S L society is getting along nicely.

WITH THE CHURCHES.

The weather was splended and both chuches were crowded last Sunday.

At the Baptist Church at 11 a m and 7,15 p m, Rev. Jno. W. Stewart ef Evergreen, manager of the Orphan Home, preached to a large and attentive audiance. At the evening service the subjct was "The necessity of Personal contact with Christ". He said that he would like to see more holy living among christians; in order to know Jesus we must imitate him in his life of selfsacrifice and love. After the service a collection was taken and $20,00 was secured for the suport of the Orphan Home.

Pastor P L Abernethey, at the Methodist church preached his farewell sermon to a large audiance, the being "The Holy Spirit the executive power of God". He said in part: "Man cannot discover God in Nature or the common phenomina around us. Man is a

Continued next week.

Catarrh

In the head, with its ringing noises in the ears, buzzing, snapping sounds, severe headaches and disagreeable discharges, is permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Do not dally with local applications. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and make a thorough and complete cure by eradicating from the blood the scofulous taints that cause catarrh. Remember

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Hood's Pills cure all Liver Ills 25 cents.

Russian Courtship.

One of the national eccentricities in the Ukraim Russia is that the maiden is the one that does all the courting. When she falls in love with a man she goes to his house and tells him the state of her feelings. If he reciprocates all is well, and a formal marriage is duly arranged. If, however, he is unwilling, she remains there, hoping to coax him into a better mind. The poor fellow cannot treat her with the least discourtesy or turn her out, for her friends would be sure to avenge the insult. His best chance, therefore, if he is really determined he will not marry her, is to leave his home and stay away as long as she is in it. This is certainly a peculiar way of turning a man out of house and home.

The next international congress of chemists will be held in Paris in 1900.

THEY WANT TO TELL

These Grateful Women Who Have Been Helped by Mrs. Pinkham.

Women who have suffered severely and been relieved of their ills by Mrs. Pinkham's advice and medicine are constantly urging publication of their statements for the benefit of other women. Here are two such letters:

Mrs. LIZZIE BEVERLY, 258 Merrimac St., Lowell, Mass., writes:

"It affords me great pleasure to tell all suffering women of the benefit I have received from taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I can hardly find words to express my gratitude for what she has done for me. My trouble was ulceration of the womb. I was under the doctor's care. Upon examination he found fifteen very large ulcers, but he failed to do me good. I took several bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, also used the Sanative Wash, and am cured. Mrs. Pinkham's medicine saved my life, and I would recommend it to all suffering women."

Mrs. AMOS TROMBLEAY, Ellenburgh Ctr., N. Y., writes:

"I took cold at the time my baby was born, causing me to have milk legs, and was sick in bed for eight weeks. Doctors did me no good. I surely thought I would die. I was also troubled with falling of the womb. I could not eat, had faint spells as often as ten times a day. One day a lady came to see me and told me of the benefit she had derived from taking Lydia E. Pinkham's medicine, and advised me to try it. I did so, and had taken only half a bottle before I was able to sit in a chair. After taking three bottles I could do my own work. I am now in perfect health."

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THE NEWS OF OUR OWN STATE.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Young Woman Cremated by Explosion of an Oil Can.

At Decatur Mrs. Claude Palmer was burned to death by her clothing catching fire from the explosion of an oil can in her hands. The accident happened when she began preparation for the noon meal. The fire in the stove would not burn well and she poured some kerosene out of a can on it. Not seeing success she poured on oil a second time, when the blaze flashed up and entered the can. There was an explosion and burning oil was scattered in every direction. Mrs. Palmer's dress was ignited and she jumped into bed to smother it out. The bed caught fire and only made matters worse. Then she ran out into the yard with fire all over her, where she was caught by some workmen and rolled in a puddle of water in the street and the flames extinguished, but she was so terribly burned that death came shortly afterward. Mrs. Palmer was only 17 years old and had only been married a week.

Mine Inspector's Recommendations.

State Mine Inspector J. DeB. Hooper has submitted to the governor the customary biennial report of his office. The most interesting portion of the report is that containing the suggestions of the inspector for legislation. One very important recommendation is that all underground mines be put under the jurisdiction of the mine inspector. Another recommendation is that the holders of first-class mine foremen's certificates be examined every two years so as to satisfy the mine inspector that they are keeping abreast of the times and their duties.

Big Catholic Hospital for Birmingham.

At a meeting of the Sisters of Charity Hospital association in Birmingham, subscriptions to the amount of $6,844.19 were reported. It was reported that the temporary quarters for the hospital would be ready Friday, and that Sister Benedicta would assume charge. It was reported further that the first building to be erected for the permanent hospital would cost $6,000, and that the total cost of the buildings and their equipments would be in the neighborhood of $200,000. Father Lannon, of Emmetsburg, who was at meeting, said that he had determined to name the institution St. Vincent's Hospital.

New Branch of Illinois Central.

President Stuyvesant Fish and Vice-President J. T. Harahan, of the Illinois Central railroad, spent Saturday in the neighborhood of Winfield, Marion county, inspecting the work which is being done on the Canton, Aberdeen and Nashville railroad near there, ten miles of which is under construction. The Illinois Central is behind the project and the new road when built through from Aberdeen to Winfield will give that company a line into the Alabama coal fields. It is believed that contracts for further work on the line will be let soon and that the visit of the officials is a bearing in that direction.

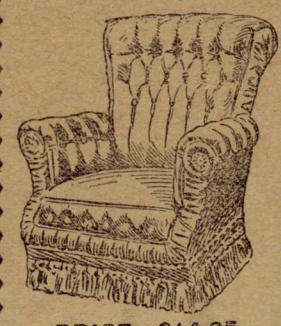
McKinley Invited to Montgomery, Ala.

The Alabama senate Saturday passed a joint resolution inviting President McKinley "in the name of the general assembly and people of Alabama to extend his visit to Montgomery and to be present in Montgomery on the 17th day of December, as the state's guest or at such other time as may suit his pleasure and convenience."

New Coal Mine to Be Opened.

Articles of incorporation have been filed in the probate judge's office at Birmingham by the Warrior Coal Mining company. The capital stock is $50,000 and the incorporators are R. H. Pearson and H. P. Thornton. The company will mine coal in the vicinity of Warrior.

Christmas Gifts, 50c. to $1000.00.



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Electrically Charged Body.

Benjamin Berdell, a wandering clock repairer, is death on flies. Three years ago, when at Rahway, N. J., during a storm he was picking cherries, when the tree was struck by lightning. Berdell received a severe shock. It transformed him into an electric man. Anyone who shakes hands with him now receives a severe shock. By pressing the blades of a knife between his thumb and finger during a storm he charges the metal so thoroughly that heavy weights can be lifted. When flies alight upon him they drop dead. When he is in a dark room sparks flash from his flesh and his eyes shine like incandescent lamps. Whenever a storm approaches Berdell becomes highly charged with electricity and it is dangerous to touch him. He says that he feels no inconvenience except that he will not go near a moving locomotive for fear of being drawn against it and killed.—New York Press.

The Origin of "Windfall."

The origin of "windfall" in the sense of "good luck," dates from the time of William the Conqueror. It was then a criminal offense to cut timber in the forests. Only such could be gathered as the wind had blown down; hence a heavy windstorm was hailed by the peasants as so much good luck; and from this comes the modern application of the expression.

Italy's Poor.

Marvelous economy is practiced by the poor of Italy in looking after the wants of the inner man. Coffee grounds from the wealthy man's kitchen are dried and resold to the poor. In a similar way oil is twice and sometimes three times used, the drippings after each successive frying being gathered from the pan and sold to the poor.

Protection for Railway.

On the new Russian military railway from Europe to Andijan, on the borders of the Chinese empire, a tree-like shrub called the sascaoul had to be planted all along the line through the desert to prevent the rails being covered by sand. For further protection a ribbon of wild oats runs along both sides of the railway.

Before a fire brigade can start for a fire in Berlin the members must all fall in line in military fashion and salute their captain. This proceeding wastes at least three minutes.

A Milwaukee judge recently granted a divorce, with the provision that the wife pay the husband alimony.

Eating Snails.

The stories about Frenchmen eating snails are believed by many people to have no foundation in fact, but snails are eaten, and to a very considerable extent, in France. Nearly 100,000 pounds weight of snails are sold daily in the Paris markets to be eaten by dwellers in that city. They are carefully reared for the purpose in extensive snail gardens in the provinces, and fed on aromatic herbs to give them a fine flavor. One such garden in Dijon is said to bring in to its proprietor several thousand francs a year.

Many Swiss cantons also contain large snail gardens, where they are reared with great pains. They are not only regarded as a great delicacy, but are considered very nutritious. Hygienists state that they contain seventeen per cent of nitrogenous matter, and that they are equal to oysters in nutritive properties.

Snails are also extensively used as an article of food in Austria, Spain, Italy and Egypt, and the countries on the African side of the Mediterranean. Indeed, the habit of eating snails as food has existed in various parts of Europe for many centuries.

Mark Twain is said to show the effects of his recent efforts and to be aging rapidly.

There are 47,668 coke ovens in the United States, of which no less than 26,910 are in Pennsylvania.

Creeping Consumption

Do not think for a single moment that consumption will ever strike you a sudden blow. It does not come that way.

It creeps its way along.

First, you think it is a little cold; nothing but a little hacking cough; then a little loss in weight; then a harder cough; then the fever and the night sweats.

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CONSUMPTION

LOCAL.

Dental work ! The people have found out that the work done by Dr.Haley is first class in every respect. He will spend the week in Montevallo, begining December, the 5th.

A man frozed to death in O maha day before yesterday. This is not exactly local but it reminds one of something very local which has been taking place about here for the last three days.

The people are making a run on the winter clothing at Morgan Bros. A large, new lot of pants will arrive this week.

Mrs. Ham returned from Birmingham last of the week,

FURNITURE---Fine parlor sets; beautful bed room sets; tables, and chairs. at H C & W B Reynold's furniture store.

NO SMALL-POX in Montevallo, so said the Doctors, but they said that if the people do not clean up their premices we may have it and it would not stop till it had run all over town.

You don't need poor harness, then buy at H C & W B Reynolds. He keeps nothing but the best.

Rev- P L Abernethey went to the Annual Conference of the M. E. C. S. at Huntsville Monday morning. Strong solicitations have been presented to have him returned to this place for his work in Montevallo has been greatly blessed and all the members are anxious to have him here another year.

George Kroell has an improved horse collar at his store. Call and see it,

The NEWS is issued this week from it's new quarters, it is the office just vacated by Dr.Givhan and Wilkerson who have moved into an office in the C L McCluney & Co. drugstore. Call and see us in our new home.

Don't get side-tracked; but go straight to H C & W B Reynolds for groceries, Completest line in Shelby Co,

A gentleman came over from Birmingham this week looking for hands to work in the iron mills, mines and other places. common laborers are getting better wages than for years.

Morgan Bros. has a new stock of gentlemens underwear. You ought to see it.

New goods are being opened up ever day at the Big Brick store. George Kroell, Among other thing the candy is atracting attention.

Dr. Wikerson's new house is about compleeted. It is a very handsome design

You cant find prettier, better or more stylish cloaks and capes in New York, than you can at Morgan Bros.

Mr. Walter Carlisle and wife went to Birmingham Monday.

SHOEMAKER— J A F Pynor is located in Montevallo permanently. Don't let your shoes wear out but call on him and have them mended.

You dont believe it, but it is true! You can get a pretty window shade at C. L. Meroneys & Co for 10c.

Dr. Wilkerson says that the health of the community is exceptionly good at preasant.

It is beautiful! The celluloid sheets for art work at C. L. Meroney & Co.

Thanks giving service at the College Chappel to day.

The Ulmans are known everywhere. They have built up one of the largest trades in the South. Notice their splended offer on the eight page.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathis of Montgomery, visited their daughter at the Industrial this week.

C. L. Meroney & Co. trade is imense this fall. They are constantly ordering new goods. One of their big orders will arrive next week.

Suits! Pants! First class goods that will fit you. H. C. & W. B. Reynolds.

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Dentist! Dr.J.P.Haley of Selma will be here next Monday Dec. 5th to do your dental work Call on him at the St.George Hotel.

Those fruit cakes at Morgon Bro. are very delicious. Call and taste them.

Miss Cleona Crabbe of Agusta Ga. is visiting her Brother here.

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Mr. Dodson, of Dodson Printers Supply Co. of Atlanta gave us a call this week.

While they are the cheapest, the up todate prints are the prettiest goods in the world. It is a treat to examine Morgan Bros. new stock.

Capt. H. C. Reynolds who has been in Montgomery for several days, returned to day for Thanks giving.

Morgan Bros. sell more shoes than anybody. Go look at the stock and you will see why.

The nicest line of Colognes in Shelby County can be found at Mogan Bros.

Dr. F F Crow has under consturction a new residenc in East End.

Closing out old stock at less than cost.

About $1,000 worth of staple goods to be sold for less than cost during the next 60 days. These goods areall first class. C C Vandergrift, Montevallo, Ala.

Hats! Caps! Big line at H C & W B Reynolds.

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MONTEVALLO NEWS.

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

MONTEVALLO, - ALABAMA.

It appears that the Chinese emperor's unpopularity was partly due to his edict against wearing queues. Many countries have been disturbed by slight causes, but it remained for China to make an international issue of a hair cut.

Golf is expanding its influence. It takes no note of clime and attacks age as well as youth. They who know best tell us that with a clear day, a breeze that invigorates but does not interfere, a field well adapted to the exigencies of the occasion, it is a game which the gods of Olympus would have been glad to play.

Men now living will ride by rail from Cairo to Cape Town. Then civilization will set in all along the railway. Towns will spring up in salubrious spots, and in some not salubrious, where money is to be made. The telegraph, the telephone and the electric motor will spread out on both sides, and the "unexplored country" of the geographies of a generation ago will hum with the activities of modern life.

Mysterious disappearances of children are becoming so common as to occasion little surprise. The daily press frequently chronicles such occurrences. In many cases these kidnaping crimes are executed by those who have some real or fancied personal interest in the child, but in others the motive plainly is revenge or extortion. There are few crimes in the whole calendar of moral depravity or fiendishness which can be compared with this, and no effort should be spared to wipe it out completely. The laws provide no adequate punishment for either kidnapers or blackmailers, but the limit of the law is the least penalty which should be imposed whenever one of these social harpies is convicted.

What is probably the most radical departure from the old system of trial by jury is under test in Louisiana. The change is by authority of the recent Constitutional Convention in the State. That body, in addition to other remarkable acts, provided that in criminal cases where the punishment may not be imprisonment at hard labor the trial may be by the judge, without a jury; if the punishment may be imprisonment at hard labor, the case must be tried by a jury of five; and if the punishment must be hard labor, then the jury shall consist of twelve, the concurrence of nine of whom is sufficient for a verdict. As explained by a Louisiana paper, the purpose of the enactment was to get rid of the delay and expense of long jury trials and of disagreeing juries. In this respect it is a success. The courts have been able to dispose of much more business, and at lessened cost, the reduction in expense at a single term of one court being $2000. It remains to be seen, however, how the change will affect the prisoner. On this point the framers of the consiitutional clause appeared to entertain doubts. They made its place in the constitution tentative, by a provision that the Legislature may change it after 1904, and return to the old system if the new one is found not to work well.

AMERICAN ULTIMATUM PRESENTED.

Our Commission Fixes a Time Limit of One Week.

NEGOTIATIONS NOT BROKEN OFF BY SPAIN.

Offered to Pay $20,000,000 for the Philippines—Adjournment Taken Until Wednesday in Order That Communication With Madrid May Be Had.

The afternoon papers taking the Associated Press Monday printed a story from Paris to the effect that Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, had broken off negotiations. The Associated Press seems to have been imposed upon. Further investigation proved the story groundless, although it had been spread broadcast over the land and had created something of a sensation among government officials and diplomats. Monday night the Associated Press sent to its morning papers this bulletin and the explanation which follows:

"Please kill the Paris bulletin appearing in day report which says: 'The president of the Spanish peace commission, Senor Montero Rios, has refused to continue the negotiations.'

"The Paris bulletin sent out shortly after noon on Monday announcing that Senor Montero Rios had refused to continue the peace negotiations was not sent from Paris by the correspondent of the Associated Press. It was not sent with his knowledge or by his agent. The message was received over the wires of the French Telegraphic Cables Company, and it appears on inquiry that the cable sheet handed in at the Paris office was indorsed in the name of the Paris correspondent of the Associated Press. The cable company was imposed upon."

PARIS.—The Spanish and American peace commissioners met in joint session at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. The Americans declared the United must have the entire Philippine archipelago, and for a treaty session of the islands the Americans tendered to Spain $20,000,000.

It is further declared it is the purpose of the United States to maintain the Philippine Islands as an "open door" to the world's commerce.

On the terms named the United States proposes a mutual relinquishment of all claims for indemnity, national or personal, subsequent to the last outbreak of the Cuban insurrection.

November 28 is fixed as the date on which the American peace commission desires a definite response to today's propositions and all other subjects in issue here.

It is also declared that the United States desires to treat on the religious freedom of the Caroline Islands, as agreed upon between the United States and Spain in 1886, and also the acquisition of one of the Caroline Islands for an American naval station, and of cable landing rights at other places in Spanish jurisdiction, and the revival of certain Spanish-American treaties as heretofore in force.

The Americans also refuse to arbitrate article 3 of the peace protocol, bearing on the future disposition and control of the Philippine Islands.

The meeting was then adjourned until Wednesday.

The memorandum of the American commission embodying the above propositions is long, and was not read in full. The vital portions, however, were communicated verbally to the Spanish commissioners in practically these terms:

The fact was cited that the proctocol, presented by the American commissioners in behalf of their government for the cession of the Philippine Islands to the United States having been rejected by the Spanish commissioners and the counter proposal of the latter for the withdrawal of the American forces from the islands and the payment of an indemnity by the United States to Spain having been rejected by the American commissioners, the latter, deeming it essential that the present negotiations, already greatly protracted, should be brought to an early and definite conclusion, now beg to present a new proposition embodying the concessions which, for the sake of peace, their government under the circumstances be willing to tender.

"The government of the United States is unable to modify the proposal heretofore made for the cession of the entire archipelago of the Philippines, but the American commissioners are authorized to offer to Spain, in case the cession would be agreed to, the sum of $20,000,000 to be paid in accordance with the terms to be fixed in the treaty of peace.

"It being the policy of the United States to maintain in the Philippines an open door to the the world's commerce, the American commissioners are prepared to insert in the treaty now in contemplation a stipulation in effect, that for a term of years, Spanish ships and merchandise shall be admitted into the Philippine ports on the same terms as American ships and merchandise."

The other stipulations were practically as given in the beginning of this dispatch.

McKinley's Significant Action.

The committee in charge of the Atlanta Peace Jubilee, for which December 14 and 15 have been set, has received a telegram from the president requesting them to change the name of the celebration from peace jubilee to a demonstration over "our victorious arms." The telegram gives as the reason for the change the "uncertain outcome of the Paris conference and the exigencies which may arise."

The executive committee of the celebration held a special meeting on receipt of the president's telegram and decided to designate the demonstration as "the Atlanta jubilee." The dates will remain as at first announced.

English Press Opinions.

LONDON.—The morning papers concede the generosity of the offer of the United States peace commissioners and express the opinion that Spain would be foolish to reject them. The express universal gratification at the announcement of "an open door" policy in the Philippines.

The Daily Mail calls the offer of $20,000,000 indemnity, "a surprising act of generosity."

The Daily News says: "The United States have now become an Asiatic power, and Lord Salisbury clearly had reason to predict that the expansion of the United States would give Great Britain a valuable ally in the China eas."

Robbed and Almost Killed.

At Birmingham Sunday morning Joe Marsicano, an Italian saloonkeeper, was assaulted and robbed in his saloon by a desperate negro, who, after dealing the unfortunate man two murderous blows, robbed the cash register and fled the scene. Marsicano was found lying in a pool of blood in a semi-conscious condition. The robber went through his pockets, securing $10 in silver, and next broke open the cash register, which contained about $45. In his hurry to get away the robber overlooked $726 which Marsicano had tied up in a package, fastened to his right leg just above the knee.

Ex-Governor Peck, of Wisconsin, went by Anniston to see the boys of the Fourth Wisconsin regiment encamped there.

WRECK ON THE L. & N.

Ten Cars Crash Through a Bridge and Two Men Thought to Be Killed.

Ten freight cars dashed through a bridge on the Louisville & Nashville railroad near Pelham station, Ala., late Tuesday afternoon. Some unseen obstruction caused several cars to jump the track and without warning the girders gave way and the main part of the train crushed through the timbers into the creek forty feet below. Rumor had it around the railroad yards in Birmingham that two men were killed, but this the railroad officials denied. It was said that the crew chanced to be on the portion of the train which escaped the fall.

So far as known there was but one man injured, David Hendricks, brakeman. The extent of his injuries could not be learned.

A northbound freight train in charge of Engineer John Acker and Conductor W. C. Hanlers was making its usual run and was crossing the bridge at its usual rate of speed. The engine had safely crossed the bridge, and the caboose was on the other side of the bridge when the accident occurred. It seemed that some of the cars in the middle of the train jumped the track, and running into the sides of the "truss" bridge, knocked out all of the bridge's support and dropped it with all of the cars on it into the creek below. The bridge contained a single span 130 feet in length.

SANTIAGO CASUALTIES.

Complete Returns of Deaths and Wounded of the Campaign.

Complete returns have been received of the casualties of the Santiago campaign. The adjutant-general's office has divided the campaign into different dates and periods. The statement shows:

La Guasima, June 24—Killed, 1 officer and 15 men; wounded, 6 officers and 44 men.

San Juan, July 1 to 3—Killed, 17 officers and 134 men; wounded, 69 officers and 938 men.

El Caney, July 1—Killed, 4 officers and 84 men; wounded, 24 officers and 332 men.

Aguadores, July 1 and 2—Wounded, 2 officers and 10 men.

Around Santiago, July 10 to 12—Killed, 1 officer and 1 man; wounded, 1 officer and 12 men.

A CUP OF TEA

Scalded a Fifteen-Months' Old Child to Death at Bessemer, Ala.

The 15-months' old son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Kyle met a horrible death at Bessemer, Ala., Monday night, turning upon himself a cup of hot tea and inflicting wounds from which death resulted in an hour. The family were at a late supper. The child was at the table, left alone for a moment while the mother put the food on the table. The tea had been poured out, and it steamed boiling hot in the cups around the board. One was too near the child, and he pulled it toward him—with his chubby hands the cup was lifted and the hot contents poured partly into his mouth and partly upon his person.

Food for Cubans.

The commissary department Tuesday dispatched the steamer Bratten from Savannah with 700 tons of provisions for the starving people of Cuba. The Bratten will leave a portion of the cargo at Havana, and then will sail to Matanzas and other points.

Auditor's Bill Passed.

The bill to create an auditor for Jefferson county, Ala., passed the house. It gives the appointment to the governor and the term is for four years; salary, $2,000.

Thomas H. Clanton died at Montgomery. He was a member of the Montgomery Blues and was buried with military honors.

The Reason Why.

A good story is told of an English naval officer, whose ship was stationed off the coast of Ceylon, and who went off for a day's shooting along the coast, accompanied by a native attendant well acquainted with the country. Coming to a particularly inviting river, the officer resolved to have a bath, and asked the native to show him a place where there were no alligators. The native took him to a pool close to the estuary. The officer thoroughly enjoyed his dip, and, while drying himself, he asked his guide why there was never any alligators in that pool. "Because, sar," promptly replied the Cingalese, "they plenty 'fraid of shark."

Beauty is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The best houses in the city of Manila are of stone, and are handsome residences. Glass is not used for the windows, which are glazed with translucent oyster shells.

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We have a little book on the subject of Potash, written by authorities, that we would like to send to every farmer, free of cost, if he will only write and ask for it.

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Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure to get the genuine. It is taken internally, and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
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To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Australian Aborigines.

The Australian aborignes are now ranked by ethnographers as fifth or sixth in the list of so-called natural races. The Veddahs, of Ceylon, being the lowest in the scale of savage culture.

Angels Played Bagpipes.

In Gothic sculpture and tragedy angels are sometimes portrayed practicing on the bagpipes. The pipes were occasionally used in churches before the introduction of the organ, early in the fifteenth century.

The Mushroom's Life.

The mushroom's life is measured by hours, but it flourishes long enough for an insect to hang its egg on the edge of the "umbrella," and for the eggs to become an insect ready to colonize the next mushroom that springs up.

Howard Conkling, candidate for congress in the Twelfth New York district, is a nephew of the late Senator Roscoe Conkling.

The female brain commences to decline in weight after the age of thirty; the male not until ten years later.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

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Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail druggists refund money.

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Lyon & Co's "Pick Leaf" Smoking Tobacco stands at the top for its delicious aroma. Good as can be made. Try it.

Resignation is the name of the angel who carries most of our soul's burdens.

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A system which has become run down by the trying weather of the past summer is not in a condition to meet the severe winter of this climate and will easily fall a prey to disease unless a proper tonic is used.

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From Girlhood to Womanhood.

DON'T LET YOUR DAUGHTER have a wrong merging into womanhood. The greatest crisis in every girl's life is at this stage when the menstrual functions are being established, and she should have every provision obtainable for establishing this period properly, without which she can never become a perfect woman. Mothers, teach your daughters to confide in you. Explain their condition to them and watch over them as you would the most delicate plant, and as this most critical age draws near commence giving her

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It will establish the menstrual functions, restore the strength and give life and energy to the entire being. PRICE $1.00 PER BOTTLE.

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My daughter was suffering from a severe bilious attack, together with great "bearing-down" pains and back-ache during her monthly periods. She had violent nervous spells which produced a peculiar quivering and jerking sensation. I bought a bottle of GERSTLE'S FEMALE PANACEA (G. F. P.) and some ST. JOSEPH'S LIVER REGULATOR and commenced treating her. All pains and biliousness were removed and the jerking was stopped. It is the best I ever saw for young girls. MARY ELIZA BENES, Beulah, Ala.

L. GERSTLE & CO., Proprietors, Chattanooga, Tenn.

THE WEEKLY NEWS,

MONTEVALLO, ALA.

THOS. N. FREEMAN - EDITOR.
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This is the nineteenth century and we are living in a Christian and civilized nation, Denver is to have a Bull-fight and the Corbit - Sharkey fist fight is most important news of the day. Whither are we drifting?.

The coal mining industry of the Montevallo section is being rapidly developed. The L & N Railroad System traverses these coal fields, and it is largely by the interprize of this Rail Road that this wonderful proggress has been made.

Go on and do your duty freind even if you do not feel yourself appreciated. You're too much of a man or woman to admit that you are doing your work for praise. There should be a motive behind your actions higher than all worldly praise. A man who loves his fellowman with all his might, soul and strength can't be payed for his sacrifice and love by a pleasant word, a smile or a little flattery he must have a higher compensation. He must feel that he stands as in partnership with God, an instrument through which the Creator works for the upbuilding of his creatures. What matters it if you are misunderstood, scorned and ridiculed? If yon believe in God you will know that He will reward with a far greater praise than man can offer.

The Spanish war pensions are in. The first pension was granted last friday to Jessie Gates of the second U S artillery who lost his lip at Santeago. He gets $17. per month for life. The total number of applications to date is about 2000.
Don't you wish you were hurt a little, say had an ear shot off, or a little finger or toe, or somthing didn't look as bad as grining Jessie? O! we would have a glorious old time. Can't we invent some way to pension every body and settle any father trouble and expense about claims? Then no body would have to work. Wouldn't that be nice. Is'nt war a good thing any how after it.

"Old men for council and young men for war" says the old proverd, It is said that the present state is composed largely of young men. Hower we will not reflect on the wisdom of the young men, for our National constitution was made by young men under thirty six years of age. But let us have war,—war on the old ricketry, —knocked-knee'd, box-ankled, gray-haired, school law. It aught to be knocked out on the first round and something that is worthy of the ninetenth century be put in it's place. we don't like Yankees but lets steal some of the school laws of the Down East States.

Faith accoplishes all things- Whon Nepoleon came in sight of the Alps, a subordinate officer said to the him, "General, what are you going to do when you reach the Alps?" With a move of the hand the General anwered "There shall be no Alps", and with undaunted faith as portrayed in that expression he performed a feat never attempted by Ceasar or Hanibal. We need more self re' liance like this. When he was a boy, Milton said that he intended some day to write the best epic poem in the English language and thirty years afterwards he accomplished his hope. The courage of heroism was displayed by Miss Schly when she dared in the face of public ridicule to make an effort to see personaly the Queen of Spain to persuade her to sue for peace, she claims now, and who can gain say her, that her visit to Spain was the starting point in the peace negociation.

The most miserable man in the world is one who is always harboring malice against some one of his fellow men. What can you gain by revenge? If you have received an injury from any one there is no posibility of you being benefited by returning an injury. Malice and revenge makes a man lower than an animal, It is the very soul of the devil himself. You may be perfect in every other way: you may give your goods to feed the poor and your substance for the spread of the Gospel but a revengful spirit will poison the whole life and distroy every genuine pleasure of existance. If yon have any enemies forgive them. Next time you meet them shake hands and you will feel better. Don't act a fool all your life.

At the New Brick Store they have opened the finest stock of candies ever brought to Montevallo.

C C Vandegrift informs us that his coal is in great demand. He is working 25 hands but is 15000 tons behind with his orders.

New goods are being opened up ever day at the Big Brick store. George Kroell. Among other thing the candy is atracting attention.

LUMP COAL from Imogene mines kept always on hand. Delivered on short notice C. C Vandegrift

The Montevallo Bakery has shut down and its proprietor R T Newton has gon to Birmingham in serach of new fields of business.

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You cant find prettier, better or more stylish cloaks and capes in New York, than you can at Morgan Bros.

Montevallo, Ala. Nov. 23, 98

Editor News,

Dear Sir,

Some maliceous person has infamously manufactered a report to the effect that my "little girl" has an irruption, roseola or something similar to it; and that the infection has spread from my family.
This is entirely false. In the first place, I have no "little girl", Last and not least, no irruption has at any time been in my family. I defy a physician to find it. Yours.

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SPAIN WILL PROBABLY YIELD

To the Demands of the American Ultimatum Presented Monday.

A WEEK'S TIME IS NOT NECESSARY

Senor Ojedo Says He Does Not See How Spain Can Avoid Assenting to Our Demands—Will Buy One of the Carolines.

NEW YORK.—A dispatch to the World from Paris says: "No one can foresee what the Cortes will do." This was the answer of Senor Ojeda, the principal secretary of the Spanish peace commission, when asked if the American ultimatum will be accepted.

"Senor Montero Rios, the president of the Spanish commission, frowned as he listened to America's final note at the joint session. When the reading was ended, he said curtly: 'Spain does not need until November 28 to answer. She will present her reply Wednesday.'

"In the communication the United States refuses arbitration, but offers $20,000,000 in gold for the Phillippines and such a sum as may be agreed upon for an island of the Caroline group, or enough land on a strong island there for a navy base and cable station.

"The American commissioners proposed to give Spain until November 28 to accept or reject these demands which were translated at the session in full by Interpreter Ferguson, but after Montero Rios' impatient remark about not needing so much time, the joint session was adjourned until Wednesday.

"It was reported immediately after the session that Spain had determined to break off negotiations, but the World correspondent's information rather points to her giving notice on Wednesday that she accepts the American proposals under protest.

"Spanish Secretary Ojeda said to the World correspondent: 'America proposes to pay $20,000,000 for the Philippines. We regard it as ridiculously insufficient, considering that we raised $40,000,000 on the security of the Manila customs alone. She adds such a promise that for a number of years, not specified, she will admit Spanish merchandise and ships to ports on the same terms as the merchandise and ships of the United States. We regard this part of the proposal as of very little, if any, value. This condition no doubt has been put in at the suggestion of England, not of Germany, for she is favorable to Spain.'

"When pressed for his opinion as to ultimate action on the American demands he said: 'It is for the Spanish government to decide what to do. I do not see how we are to avoid yielding to them. We have no friends and are apparently helpless in the matter.'

"The Spaniards were prepared for America's insistance on the demand for the Philippines, but are surprised at the form of the latest proposition, which virtually is an ultimatum, and at what they consider the inadequate compensation offered.

First to Havana.

The first battalion of Second United States volunteer engineers left Savannah, Ga., Tuesday by the Plant system for Port Tampa and will sail from there by the steamer Florida for Havana. They will be the first troops sent from the United States to Havana. The battalion is commanded by Major Richard Henry Savage, the novelist.

Fell Heir to a Large Estate.

M. B. Clay, the well known planter, who now resides at Round Mountain, Ala., has recently fallen heir to a large estate in Monroe county, Ark. Mr. Clay happened to a misfortune about two years ago.

SPANIARDS ARE PUZZLED.

They Do Not Know What to Do About the American Offer.

PARIS.—The Spanish peace commissioners telegraphed to Madrid the substance of the United States' memorandum presented Monday, and late in the evening they were discussing it among themselves. As late as 1 o'clock Tuesday morning a Spanish commissioner affirmed that he and his colleagues did not know what to do regarding the American offer.

There is a difference of opinion among unofficial people near the commissioners, but the prediction is made that Spain will decline the American offer of money; that she will refuse to cede the Philippines, and will say to the United States:

"You may take the archipelago because you have the power to do so. As you advance we will retire, protesting against greedy aggression. We will faithfully carry out our protocol pledges, and leave Cuba and Porto Rico in your hands. You came here to engage in a discussion under the terms of the protocol, but you evidently meant when drawing up that document to provide a conference in which, though we differ man to man, you proposed to announce at the proper time what you will do, whether we agree to it or object. Such an attiiude robs the conference of a negotiative character and sets up the United States as a dominant power, whose first purpose is to listen, but whose ultimate determination is to do its own will."

It is said that Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish commission, at the conference Monday remarked after having heard the American offer, that if the vital portions had been read the Spaniards could answer it instantly, but as the memorandum was very long, they would defer their answer until Wednesday, adding that it would be easily possible to make it within twenty-four hours.

On the other hand, it is said the Spaniards cannot justify themselves before their people and others by throwing away $20,000,000, added to the inevitable loss of the Philippine Islands.

THIRTY SHIPS EN ROUTE

To Cuba to Take Home Spanish Soldiers —Evacuation Sooner Than Expected.

The Cuban Evacuation commission has made quite extended reports to the war department concerning the situation in the island, relating largely to camps, the conditions and proposed sites for the United States garrisons, as well as suggestions as to supplies for the army and other matters of detail, which must be considered before an army is sent to Cuba. One of the most important features of the latter reports is that evacuation of the island by Spaniards may take place sooner than first anticipated. The commission has been informed that thirty transport ships are now on their way and will be able to take away a large number of troops. These transports are expected to arrive in Cuba within a short time.

The war department is now making arrangements to send troops to Cuba as soon as the Spaniards evacuate, and will be ready to evacuate different points as fast as the Spaniards move away.

Ensign Fermier Dead.

A cable message has been received at the navy department announcing the death of Ensign George L. Fermier, attached to the gunboat Petrel, on the Asiatic station.

New Steel Bridge.

The Alabama Great Southern Railroad has begun the removal of an old structure over the river near Livingston, Ala., and are putting up a fine steel bridge.

The official vote in the Seventh Alabama district gives Burnett 1,969 more votes than Street, his closest opponent.

THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Contemplated in a Bill Introduced in the Alabama Legislature.

Senator Abercrombie introduced in he senate Saturday morning the bills ec ommended by the State Teachers' association. They are to establish a state board of education to consist of five members, to be appointed by the state superintendent, he to be ex-officio member, with full power to regulate all school; to increase the state reveuue of the public schools of the state; to assess 25 cents on each $100 for school purposes; to make optional the increase of the revenue for public schools, giving counties the power to levy a minimum of 5 cents and a maximum to be fixed by the county commissioners for school purposes; to separate school money from all other funds; determining the public school organization of the state, the same to be divided into municipal, special and county school districts; regulating the office of county superintendent of education, who is to be selected for four years and all to be appointed by the state's superintendent, regulating the county board of examiners of teachers in each county.

The joint session of the two houses assembled at 12 m. Saturday to count and announce the vote cast for state officers in August, 1898, and the result was proclaimed, all the democratic candidates having a majority.

The vote gave the following totals:

For Governor—Johnson, 113,113; Deans, 52,844.

Secretary of State—McDavid, 112,644; Maxwell, 51,648.

Auditor—White, 110,672; Drake, 52,172.

Treasurer—Ellis, 112,625, Killebrew, 51,625.

Attorney-General—Brown, 112,624; Whitehead, 52,189.

In the house there was a flood of local bills, but only one general bill, and that was to repeal the coal oil law.

The speaker announced the house committees. The chairmen are as follows:

Judiciary—Kyle.
Revision of Laws—McQueen.
Ways and Means—Mitchell.
Appropriations—Brandon.
Agricultural—Poole.
Public Roads and Highways—Heflin.
Banking and Insurance—McGuire.
Privileges and Elections—Davis.
Education—Robinson.
Commerce and Common Carriers—Laretta.
Mining—Foster.
Corporations—Brown.
Temperance—Llewellen.
Public Health—McKee.
Counties and County Boundaries—Bulger.
Local Legislation—Tunstall.
Immigration—Wallace.
Public Buildings—Rogers.
Federal Relations—Seymour.
Military—Lee.
Claims and Fees—Screws.
Printing—Hood.
Engrossed Bills—Bibb.
Enrolled Bills—Killen.

Monday's Session.

The general assembly is at last getting down to business. Today has witnessed more real legislative work than any previous two days. The standing committees of both the senate and house have held sessions and a large batch of bills have been prepared for the second reading when the batch reported favorably today will come up for final passage.

In the house the Mobile bills to permit the city to build new water works and construct sewerage hold the first place on the calendar.

The sessions in both houses today have been very dull. There was no occasion for debate in either house, but some resolutions were presented which will bring forth a display of oratory at tomorrow's session, if the resolutions be promptly reported back. One of these is Mr. Wallace's resolution against acquisition of territory by the United States.

There is another resolution of national importance, which is threatened with a stormy reception. This is the Wiley resolution inviting President McKinley to be the state's guest next month on the occasion of his trip South. The objectionable feature in the resolution, to some of the members, are the high eulegies in the preamble, which many members think is giving the president undue praise on the conduct of the war with Spain, and more especially the reference made to his part in wiping out all sectional feeling.

The house was opened with eighty-nine members in their seats. A joint resolution from the senate inviting President McKinley to be the state's guest on December 17 was presented. The resolution was referred to the rules committee. The journal was read and approved. A resolution from the senate was received providing for a joint committee to adopt rules to govern the two bodies. On motion of Mr. Tunstall the rules were suspended, and the resolution was concurred in.

Several bills were reported favorably and placed on calendar.

Tuesday's Session.

By far the most important bill of this day, and, after all, the most important of the session, except that one raising the revenues—the bill presented in the house by Mr. Brandon from the committee on appropriations, providing for the ordinary expenses of the three great branches of our state government. The greatest point of public interest is the increase of $80,000 a year for the public schools. That is, $80,000 a year, based on this year's income from all taxes on real and personal property. After the present school year ends, the school money from the sources mentioned can be roughly estimated at $430,000, instead of $350,000; and this increase will go on rising automatically as the value of real and personal property in the state increases. This thus becomes the most favorable step taken in many years for the benefit of the common schools of the state.

There are really few changes now from the appropriations of two years ago. The clerk to the attorney-general is dispensed with altogether; the work of that office being comparatively very light. The compensation of the reporter to the supreme court is reduced from $900 a volume of the reports as painted to $700 a volume, and the pay of the secretary to the chief justice is reduced from $1,500 to $1,200. The secretary of the senate and clerk of the house are allowed $300 each for copying and indexing their respective journals, as compared with $450 heretofore. A clerk to secretary of state is dispensed with, and compensation for assistant marshal and chairman to the supreme court is not provided.

A change of importance to solicitors provides that each solicitor shall receive commissions of 10 per cent on all sums over and above $2,400 earned by him and actually collected. The law heretofore has given each solicitor 30 per cent of the first $1,000 over $2,400; 15 per cent on $2,000, and 10 per cent on earnings that exceeded those figures.

Senator Case, of DeKalb, introduced the following resolution:

"Be it resolved, that it is the sense of this senate that any movement by the legislature, at this time, looking to the calling of a constitutional convention for the state, would be improper." Referred to the committee on rules.

Mr. Cunningham introduced a bill to regulate the sentence and employment of convicts in this state; to appropriate 50 per centum of the net earnings of the convict system to the fine and forfeiture fund of the several counties, and to provide for the inspection of jails.

Several bills of local interest were passed by both branches of the house.

A Novel Wedding Ring.

When J. A. Paulsell, a veteran of both the Mexican and civil wars, and now eighty-two years old, married a woman of twenty-two a few days ago, he used a novel wedding ring. It was of brass, and was made from a bit of cannon used by the Mexicans at Chepultepec and destroyed by the Amer-

Mr. Ebitor.

You were kind enough to print my peice last week so will be bold enough to make an other trial this week. Did you know I am a poet? Yes I am afflicted with that disease occasionaly. Now I suspect that if a man had the "poets" and was in love at the same time he would be in a bad fix sure. No I ain't married, but it is just before I am going to be, if indications are worth any thing. You will see by the followering effort that I have caught both dreadful diseases at once and unless something is done soon I may die of heart failure.

LET'S TURN THE SHEEP GO

I'll tell you a story as old as the world,
T'is old but just found it true.
O! come to my arms my darlin girl
And I'll teach the old story to you.

I wonder if Adam loved Eve as he ought?
O yes! I recon t'was so,
Or else he'd bit not the apple she brought.
I'd sure eat um for you.

Jacob loved Sarah and worked fourteen years.
Be fore he could call her his own;
In half of the time I could win all the Leahs,
Then wish I never was born.

I'l have my sweet Sarah or no one at all.
I work for no less a prize.
Let,s turn the sheep go and climb over the wall,
We'd be crazy to wait fourteen years.

While I am on this subject of love I will say a word more; what do you think of a man or woman who is always going around trying to make matches between young people? I think that they are geting out of their business. The "old man" is alway saying something like this to me; "Bob, Sallie Jones would make a mighty good wife for a fellow. Why don't you sit up to her? Yes, Sallie is a good girl and she is industrious. She would make a good house keeper for any man that would be satisfied with that. But poor Sallie, she is now twenty years old and the extent of her knowledge is the Fourth Reader, Sanfords Arritmetic and she can barely write a letter. She may do for some boys but she won't do for me. I am ambitious and expect to go to congress some day or somewhere else just as big and how would Sallie look up there?

Yours

Roberson.

Photographs!!!

R. W. Carleton, has just opened up a gallery in town and is now prepared for the latest, best and bigest pictures you may want. At Reynolds furniture store.

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Any one travling from one to fifteen miles we will pay for their return railroad ticket provided their purchases are $5,00 or over, or will pay for their round trip fare on cash purchases of $10,00; or on greater distances, subject to the followering scale of distan and cash purchases:

Distance from Selma to home	Amount of Cash Purchases required to earn return fare	Amount of Cash Purchases required to earn round trip fare
1 to 15 miles	$5,00	$10,00
15 to 25 miles	7,00	15,00
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MAPLESVILLE ITEMS.

T E Cosper.
J W Graham.
Correspondents.

Our town is on the revive socially, as there is another oyster supper on docket for Friday night. It is for the binefit of the new Baptist Church.

The subscription list for the Baptist church is rapidly growing.

We learn that there is a great deal of cotton yet unginned.

Maplesville is giving Selma prices for cotton now since she has secured freight advantage our merchants are also selling goods at city prices.

Miss Mallory of Alpine is visiting the Misses Walkers this week, left for Florida, accompanied by her soninlaw and his wife, on Monday last.

Mr N C Graham, one of our popular young men has left for Tampa Fla, where he will accept a position tended him.

J W Grahrm of the 1st Ala. is back home again and returued to work at his old position with Mr. T M Crumton, one of our popular merchants.

Miss Mamie Forhee left for Tex. Monday where she will likely spend the winter.

Items left out for lack of space. Send us short letters often.

Editor.

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Typewriting.

Some very good work has been done in the typewriting department since school opened and if the girls will only keep up the record of the past month, there will be some fine type-writers here by the end of the scholastic year. While some of the girls are still on the finger exercises, a great many have finished those and commenced the letlers. These letters are divided into books, each a little harder than the preceding one. So far only one girl has finished the first book of the letters, and she will soon be through the second. Those who write very fast at the beginning are sure to make mistakes and have to write it over. The first lesson to be learned is to write slowly, The most advanced pupils are those who started slowly.

Each girl has an hour for her lesson in type-writing and as much extra time as she can get, A few are ambitious enough to practice after school. Only those who have commenced the first book of letters are fortunate enough to be allowed the use of the "new machines,

On Saturday, certain girls are detailed to clean the type-writers at first Miss Thompson showed them how, but after that they have to clean them by themselves and show other girls how to clean them.

Young Women In Journalism.

(Montgomery Journal.)

The number of young men in the present General Assembly of Alabama together with other high positions held by them has caused many times the remark during the past week, "The young man is rapidly coming forward. He is now holding some of the most important and responsible positions and he fills them with much credit." This is true of the man and equally as true of the young woman, especially so in the Journalastic field of the south, where a large number of the fair representatives are very young women, but women who have proven their power and ability. Many of the leading contributions to the most influential papers of the south are women yet in their twenties and some not out of their teens, and their views and opinions are consulted and their influence widely felt. In fact many of them have by their able efforts, written their names high in the firmament of fame where all may read.

Among the south's young women writers may be mention- Miss Helen Pitkins, the able editress of the women's department of the New Orleans Times Democrat, whose facle and gifted pen has won for her a high place in the literary world ; Miss Isma Doly, whose brilliantly edited colums in the Atlanta Constitution, proves her a writer of ability and a worthy successor to the Maud Andrews; Miss Jackson, (Emel Say), Miss Martha Goode, and Miss Mary Burnet Whiteside, a trio of talented newspaper women who are making of their respective departments of the Atlanta Journal, the brightest and most entertaining features of that large daily. And coming nearer home in our own state we have a large number of equally talented young writers, Miss Lula Judson, truly one of Alabama's most gifted women, whose excellent work on the Bessemer Weekly prononnces her a wom-

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It is only 50 cents for a year. Get some one to join you and send a dollor bill for both or inclose your own in postage-stamps.

We send this week sample coppies of the News to all the patrons of the Industral School. We wish to say that there is no provision for the support of this department of the College work, so the success of the work depends upon the patronage of the friends of the School. We hope you will appreciate this and send your subscription at once. The money will go for the support and enlargement of the paper and not into the hands of an Editor working only for the money. Help the school and yourself by sending us 50 cents.

The introduction of journalism and printing, as a course of study, into the Pyoltechnic School for young ladies, is one of the most important of the many improvements made in this Institution this year. The knowledge and training received in this department is very comprehensive. It not only prepares a young lady for the profession of Journalism, which circumstances may make available as a means of acquiring honor or competence, but she is thereby trained thoroughly in those fundimental branches of the English Language which are so neccessary in all walks of life. In the first place, the humble occupation of a printer is not to be dispised by those who look on the realities of life, rather than on the superficial side. The pay of a printer is about louble that of a cotton factory operator, in fact expert printers receive better wages, as a whole than even book-keepers or stenographers The work is light, pleasant, free from monotony and mentally improving. In the second place; a knowledge of the practical part of newspaper work, typesetting, proofreading ect. is almost an absolute prerequisite for a successful career as a journalist. This profession is coming more and more popular as a field of imployment for women. Women who have natural adaptations for journalism, and enter that field with industry and determination, soon find themselves occupying positions which are the envey of all less fortunate. It is a significant fact that nine-tenth of the successful journalists have been practical printers.

Hereafter the type setting, proof reading, correcting and all other practical work of this journal will be done by the young ladies of the Polytechnic School. Comfortable and commodious rooms are being erected on the college grounds, in the most convenient position. An abundant supply of new type and fixtures is being added to the already splendid outfit on which the News has been heretofore printed. Nothing will be lacking to make the typographical department of the school, one of the most attractive and useful College courses in the south. In evidence of above assertion, we call attention to a number of articles clipped from the Montgomery Journal and printed in this issue of the News, which refer to several young women who have won a reputation in Journalism. Many of these ladies have received the training, which makes their success possible in the printing office, and were not ashamed to be known as printers devils.

Selma. Ala Sept. 13, 1898.

Capt. H. C. Reynolds,
Montevallo Ala.

My dear Sir:-

My great interest in the success of The Girl's Industrial School is my excuse for this letter, and I sincerely hope you will receive it in the spirit which prompts it.

I have inquired of some of the scholars, and. to my astonishment, I hear that you do not teach book-keeping in your school. This, to my mind, is the biggest field open to girls and women, and I would suggest that you at least make an effort.

I believe that women would make much better book-keepers than men, certainly they are much more accurate and honest.

I regret very much that I am not in the present Legislature to aid The Girls Industrial School of Alabama, I am, however, willing to contribute all in my power to its advacement.

With best wishes for the succes of your school and much respect to yourself, I am

Yours truly,
P. H. Pitts.

The above letter speaks for itself,- lack of means is our only excuse. This distinguished gentleman has been from the fisrt one of our warmest friends; his influence in behalf of this School at the last Session of our Legislature will never be forgotten. He is one of Alabama's grandest men, and we indulge the hope that the noble people of Old Dallas will number him among the wise and patriotic citizens so much to be needed in framing the new constitution, which promises so much that will be elevating to our people; that will do more to bring about purity of the ballot, purity of life, Christian Statesmanship; eliminate the Demagogue, that curse of our politics, and give us "high class politics," so that the modest wise citizen will be brought to the front. All hail the day when we can eliminate the vicious, corrupt, venal voter! When the virtuous, intelligent and property-holders of Alabama can hold the reins of government free and untrammelled by rings and mercenary rule.

The Alabama Polytechnic Institute for girls, at Montevallo, Ala., is in a flourishing condition. The attendance now is about 350. This is one of the greatest schools of its kind in the South. Alabama should congratulate herself upon the great results obtained from the expenditure of so small amount of money. The University of Alabama, with less than 200 students, requires an annual expenditure of six times as much, while the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Auburn, with less than 350 students, expends more than ten times the amount the Montevallo school receives. The next session of our Legislature should appropriate at least $50,000 for buildings, and make an annual appropriation of $25,000 for the running expenses of the school. Educational Exchange.

One of the greatest obstacles to the success of the Common Schools of Alabama is not so much the lack of money, but the scarcity of capable teachers. It is a well known fact, there are more women engaged in teaching school than men. The Montevallo school is doing more to supply this much needed want than any other school. Girls who have received the benefits of the fine literary training here are now acting as missionaries all over the state in the dissemination of knowledge. As President Reynolds very often and very truthfully says, this is the mother of the Common Schools.

J. M. Reynolds,
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CHINESE TEA.

Last Saturday, the Landseer Club one of the four sections of the Sil Class entertained a number of their friends in a most charming and unique manner. The guests assembled in the College Chapel, where they listened to an interesting paper on the Chinse, Their country and their customs, by Miss Susie Stubs of East Lake who in her Chinse dress seemed a vertiable (visitors from the Celestial Empire. Then little "Ah Gee and her sister Pe-Wee" Misses Nannie Shivers of Montevallo and Lottie Buchanon of Montgomery) also in costume, appeared on the scene, and the former in the following niginal "poem" extended a graceful and cordial welcome.

I'an little Ah-Gee
With my sister, Pee Wee
We dont know much Melican
But very happy are we
You fair ladies to see
At their first, what you
Melicans call tea.

I cen singee no song,
Nor makee no music
On the pretty ding dong.
But I tellee you story
Of my self and Pee-Wee
When we were babies far
Over the sea.

In a muchee big city,
Muchee happy were we,
I lived with my mother
And little Pee-Wee,
Our little boat housee,
Not mbchee to see,
Was heapee to us, my mother
and me.

One day a big boatee
From Melican land,
Sailee up to our citee
He lookee so grand,
There came a good man
A Joss man was he,
To talk with my mother,
Meself and Pee-Wee.

He talkee our Chinee,
He talkee your way,
For all little girlee, big
schools he say.
Not only for boy,
But girl, too, is free
To learn in schools far
over the sea.

My mother all charmee
This land just to see,
For water all water, round
Pee Wee and me,
We packed up our bundles.
We wound uq our quenes
We put on our bloomers
And big wooden shoes.

We went on the boatee,
And sailee and sail,
No land, but big water, where
Wind howlee and wail.
Many days on the water
Much sickee all way,
Till we reached fair
Mellica me bright happy day.
We washee, we cookee,
We nursee babee
And learnd some Melican,
Myself and Pee-Wee.
Now we come Montevallo,
We comee to stay
Till we learn to paint China,
In the Mellican way.

We glad to see ladies,
We pleased to seve tea
With tea spoons and chop sticks,
Right melly we'll be,
Will drink to Montevallo,
And this land of the free,
And gentleman and ladies
Right welcome you be.

The guest then passed into the studio where a charming scene awaited them, The room had been darkened, and lighted with Chinese lanterns The walls were hung with choice paintngs, and the whole made beautiful with rich drapery and statuary, and last, but by no means least numerous cabinets of choice, hand painted china the works of the class. The tables arranged in the form of an emense letter T., and tastily decorated with china and growing ferns □ In the centewas a group of "Joss plan s," or Chinese sacred lillies in full bloom. The Souvenirs were hand painted napkins, tiny Chinese babies, and umbrelals.

Lovely Chinese girl met us at the door, shaking their hands high above their heads in token of the greatest respect, and proceeded to push upon us the fragrant tea and accompanying dainties.

The art class consists of seventy two pupils, and has been divided into four section, each of which forms a club, and will give one entertainment during the scholastic year. Miss McComb's object in giving these entertainments is to teach the young ladies the art of entertaining with very little expense: The art of getting up original designs in invitations, decorations etc. It also strengthen their natural tendency to make themselves charming and agreeable, and last of all that the great secret of being happy, lies in the art of making others happy.

We had the very great pleasure of having with us on this occasion D. Beard a distinguished Episcopol Divine of Birmingham, also Capt. Taylor from Gallion, Ala. The latter is in his 91st year still retains all his interest in the good things of this life, and is well spring of joy to his friends and acquaintances.

The other guests were: Misses McMath, Haley, Lyman, Nix, McAlpine, Burks, Thompsen, Lee, Storrs, Bush, Grantery, Gitts, Wade Mrs. Crowe, Torbert, Hudson, Reynolds, Abernethy, Babb, Cothaan. Messas. Lorenz, Abernethy, Reynolds. The Members of the Club are Misses Lula Hamilton, Anna Nabers, Margaret McArdle, Marie Boyd, Nattie McQueen, Nannie Shivers, Lulan Meroney, Annie Whitby, Lottie Buchanon, Nell Williams, Vivla Beynbpds, Lottie Lavers Florence Troy, Lusie Stubbs, Mary Burton, Nanie Lee Callen.

The ladies of the Montevallo Studiosis are making every effort to send out the first of the year three libraries of twenty- five volumns each in Shelby, Bibb, and Chilton counties. Feeling that every citizen must be interested in this philanthropic work which means so much for the uplifting and development of those at our very doors, we do not hesitate to ask our people for a donation to this fund. Look over your own libraries, find some good book that has influenced your life, and donate it to this cause to influence the life of another. If you haven't such a book, twenty or twenty-five cents placed in the hands of this committee will buy one. The Traveling Library speaks for itself What better means of preaching the gospel of humanity to the poor than through this little bundle of books? One of these books may change the life of some boy or girl. Emmerson says "Go with mean people and you will think life mean." Books are our truest and best companions, if we place good books into the hands of these children of the rural districts will they not naturally seek that which is better in life, will they not see more of life's beauty and sweetness and less of its hardships? What more beautiful picture it the world than that of an old women reading her bible, the book which has been her companion for years. Ruskin very truly and sweetly says, "By your aristocracy of companion ship your own inherent aristocracy will be tested." Is it not right then that we shohld strive to give to those around us the companionship of good books! Send this message of faith and hope into some humble home, it may carry with it a celestial vision. Any donation to this cause, however small, and the same may be sent either to the home of the president or secretary

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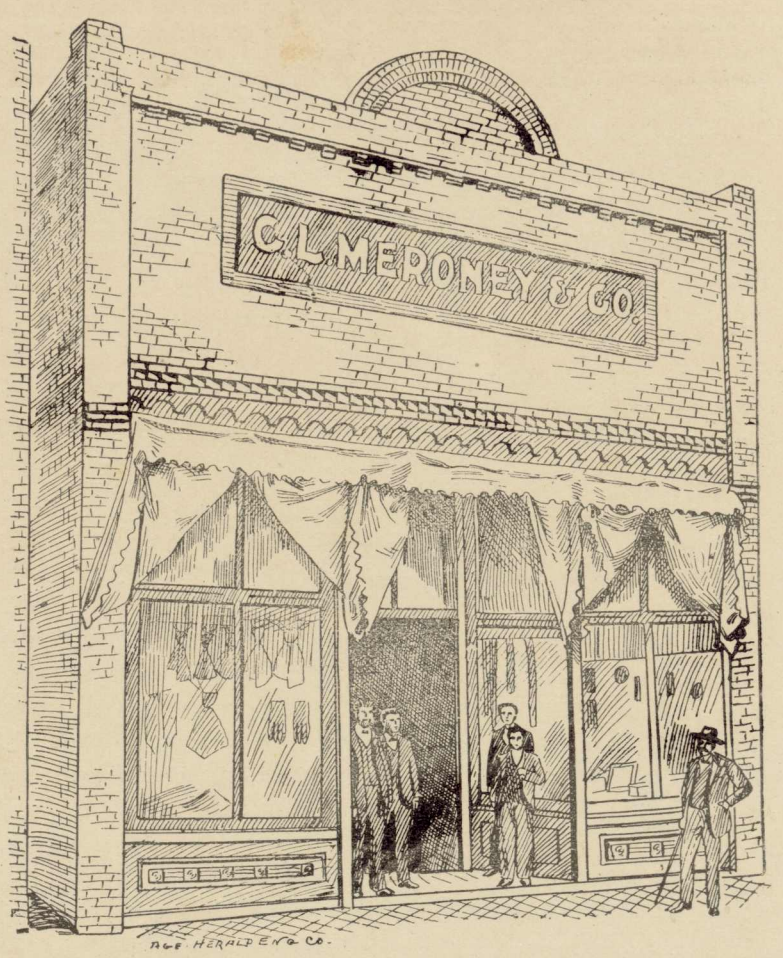

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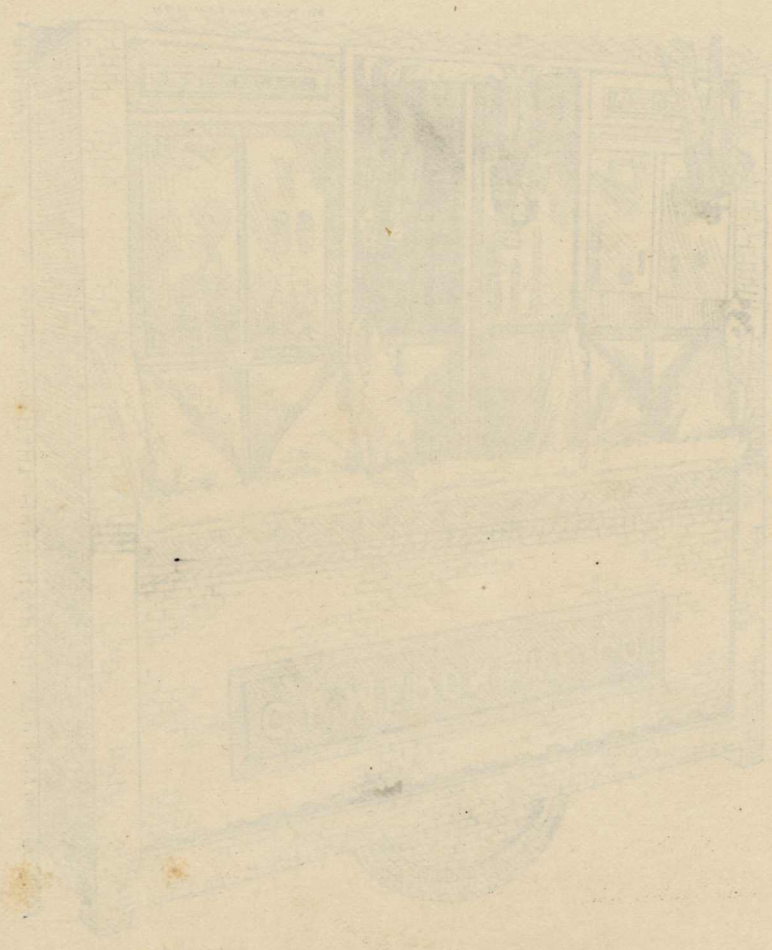

LOCAL.

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Representative Sturdevant has introduced a bill in the Legislature to provide for good roads in Shelby Co. This is a step in the right direction. and while we have not read the bill,we heartily endorse any measure that provides for better roads.

Go to McCluney for a nice up to-date Christmas present

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WANTED—One more boarder.
J. B. Kilpatrick.

Mr. J. Fall Roberson, of Talladega, was in town on business last Sunday.

For a Christmas gift to a friend, a handsome China Vase is always appropriate. Dr. F. F. Crowe has recognized this fact, so has on exhibition a very choice line of China Glass Vases.

The description of the "Chinese Tea" is one of the most readable articles in this issue. It was written by Miss Marie Boyd who shows unmistakable talent as a Journalist. There were two other pieces written by Misses Susie Stubbs and Mary which were also fine but the one by Miss Boyd contained the Chinese poem written by Miss McCombs sister and for that reason it was decided to print it. It is a gratifying feature to see so many girls develope a talent in this direction.

Morgan Bros. sell more shoes than anybody. Go look at the stock and you will see why.

Dr. Elias Davis, of Birmingham, made a visit to our town on Monday last to see Mrs. Johnson, who is very ill with pneumonia.

Something like a hundred girls have gone to spend the Christmas at their homes. Over two hundred will remain here.

Don't run all over town hunting for candy. Go to George Kroell

Miss Rebecca Treadwell, one of the pupils of the school is seriously ill at the residence of Mr. W. B. Reynolds. Her brother in Florida was promptly notified and he reached here Wednesday. A trained nurse from the Infirmary of Davis & Davis at Birmingham is in attendance at her bedside and she has the constant attention of the College physicians. Miss Treadwell had been almost an invalid for the past two years and she only arrived here a few weeks ago. This has been the only real seriously case of illness during the session, and we hope for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Telle T. Thompson the accomplished and faithful teacher of stenography and typewriting will spend the Christmas with her friend Miss Callen in Selma'

Mr. C. W. Cary, who in a quiet way is doing much for the upbuilding and advancement of Montevallo, entertained last week a party of Capitalist from Pennsylvania, who if they decide to locate here will bring thousands of dollars to invest in the coal fields that lie adjacent to the town along the Southern Railway. The party was composed of Mr. Wm Grifith and wife, Mr. Jno. A. Mears, and Mr. Richards. These gentlemen are allready interested in water power along the Southern and were most favorably impressed with this section of the country They spent a portion of a day in going through the Industrial School which they pronouuced one of the finest institutions they had every seen. In fact they said they had never seen anything like it. They were astonished to find that the coal lands contained 48 seams of coal over 30 of which were workable seams. Montevallo lying so near the coal fields will of course be greatly benefited by the development of the coal interest and we welcome these gentlemen in our midst.

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THE HAUNTED-HOUSE

Would yon believe it? But it's too true. We certainly have one, it's a handsome building. Then too it's our President's house, right on the corners of Main and Church streets, and singular to say "we don't get scared," that is not much! unless, well unless, it grows very lonesome. Now once in a while, in fact quite often, some of our teachers have company, don't you know? Good looking company; wasn't that last one with the pointed whiskers good-looking? My! how we did envy Miss——Well I like to have let cat out. Not that I mean to insinuate that the one with out whiskers, the one that comes to see Miss(by proxy), aint good-looking. Yes, well? I'll not say it for he's already a piece of vanity. Kinder smiles, and looks around as much as to say, "Aint I killing?" But there now I'm about to forget my text,-The Haunt The Ghost! Well it commences just after we all get safely in bed, ready to go to sleep, with a noise like thunder every night, and it rolls and rolls like some body playing Skitles,no Tennis- Stop let's see it,s Ten Pins,-- yes Ten Pins-- just like when you let go a great big ten pin ball on an alley, and then we girls cover up our heads and nearly smother and never say a word. My, I said my, if that good-looking fellow of—well never mind who, the one with pointed whiskers had only brought us a stick of his dynamite. But then the fact is I'm dreadfully afraid of dynamite,-and well unless unless, Miss—— well I wont tell who, would let him go a long and help me to throw it at the ghost. But the ghost, for two years or more he's been coming every night winter and summer, hot or cold, dry or wet, and he rolls and rolls. Now on Friday nights we girls concluded we'd catch him. You see most of us room up-stairs and there's a large attic over head so the girls from down-stairs and those from the lesser room up—stairs across the hall from our room (which is the largest bed room) all gathered, about 13 in all.and we put out our lights and some of us sit,others lay quietly down on the three large beds to listen to try first to locate the haunt, which no one has ever yet succeeded in doing. We got tired waiting and begun talking, when all at once we heard a noise, low but distinct, then presently a little louder. We begun to grow nervous and draw a little closer together, and not a whisper could you have heard. Then presently a great rolling noise like somebody rolling a ton of iron in a wheel-barrow over a floor some distance away. Then a deathlike stillness and th,next we heard was "It's time you girls were getting up," and there we were hadn,t even gone to bed and daylight shining in bright. At breakfast, Mrs. President seemed much amused and quite interested in hearing our experiences, inquired particularly about the loudness of the noise, etc., finally it leaked out that our President, not wishing us disappointed and fearing the ghost might fail us, had played a joke on us by hauling a big wooden bucket with about a bushel of coal in it over the back gallery and so our scare.

But every night our ghost comes that is, except when that good-looking proxy man, or the handsome dynamite fellow, he with the whiskers, the one that tries to carry out the command love our neighbor, etc. This ghost comes, and he rolls and rolls, and no one can fathom the mystery. Now that Xmas is almost here, and so many of we girls are going to stay, we've been a'king the matter of catching that ghost over and you'd hardly believe it if I were to tell you how many volunteers we've had to sit up and help us locate our ghost, and well it wont do to tell it abroad, but we believe or, rather it's whispered around that our President has promised to suspend the rules and let all we girls "receive" during Xmas. Won't that be jolly? and wont we behave nice? and Mr. Editor won't you let the dynamite man and the proxy man both know, just send them a copy of our college journal, no make them subscribe and advertise so they can have a business excuse to come once in awhile-now that's a dear good man.

Selma Times.

"The splendid and full report of Lieutenants Hobson's speech at the Academy of Music Tuesday morning, and which appeared in yesterday's Times, was taken down in short hand by Misses Lida and Mattie Woods, who had seats on the stag, being employed by this paper. It took them until ten o'clock Tuesday night to copy it off on their typewriters, and was as nice and creditable a piece of work as has been our pleasure to handle. The Times can cheerfully recommend these two young ladies to any one who may have work in their line."

Miss Mattie was a pupil for one session only of the Girls' Industrial Shool, and owes her training and education to this Institution; and not long since when she met Pesident Reynolds, told him what a debt of gratitude she owed this School, and the wise legislators who had provided this grand Institusion, where the girls of Alabama can get a chance to become independent. She is employed by Messrs. Pitts & Pits, of Selma, two of the finest Lawyers, and most elegant and accomplished gentlemen in Alabama.

School Notes

Monday morning after the regular exercises, President Reynolds gave us an interesting account of his recent trip to Montgomery. We all joined him in anticipating a bright future for the Polytechnic Institute.

What is the best joke of the season? Some one says the "Montevallo side-walks". But the school girls and teachers can tell you that "Montevallo mud" is no joke at all, but a stern reality. The reason the girls dislike overshoes so much is because the mud sticks to them so badly. One of the teacher says when it rains she can hardly get to school, owing to the rapid accumulation of real estate on her overshoes.

O What a happy Christmas we are expecting! Many of the girl will spend the holidays as home and those who do not will have their brothers and cousins to visit them. Misses Annie Hughes, Ree Ogletree and several others, left Monday. Most of us will go Thursday.

The other day the teacher of Mathematics asked. "What else besides a quadrilateral, would you call a figure of four sides?" A quadruped, answered a bright pupil.

Scene on the lawn of The Alabama Industrial School.

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